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FRONT COVER: This year the Institute of Rodio Engineers Annual Show moves into a brand new home, New York's sparkling new Coliseum. Visitors to the show will find themselves in the heart of down town New York City, close by hundreds of other activities that should add a great deal of color to the proceedings. For details on the show and the technical sessions that will be held during the week, turn to page **61**.

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# RADARSCOPE



#### AUTOMATIC TESTING

This elaborate test panel at Westinghouse's Air Arm Div. runs complete dynamic tests on complex equipment in a matter of seconds. For more details, see page 55.

THE AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY is plowing back 65% of their earnings into research and development programs. This figure is higher than that of any other industry and is necessary because of the startling advances in aviation technology which are being made under the pressure of military necessity.

THE ENGINEER SHORTAGE is "greatly overrated," says Dr. Frederick E. Terman, of Stanford University School of Engineering. He cited figures from the National Science Foundation that about 25% of college graduates went into engineering or the sciences. Dr. Terman agreed that there are shortages of engineers, but, he pointed out, there are shortages in other fields, too. Many engineers have left to go into sales, service, and administrative positions and that their loss is naturally being felt.

**TRANSISTOR MANUFACTURERS** are looking to the automotive industry as a tremendous potential market. Electronic ignition using transistors is already on the way, and fuel injection units designed by Bendix and using five transistors are being introduced this spring in the Nash Rambler. The next target is a transistorized voltage regulator. Transistor powered electronic clocks for cars, busses and planes are just around the corner and transistorized electronic controlled traffic lights is another almost certain development. STEREOSCOPIC TELEVISION is finding application in nuclear research where ordinary closedcircuit television makes it difficult for the operator to judge the distance of remote manipulating equipment used to handle dangerous radio-active materials.

THE SELENIUM SHORTAGE has lessened to the point where certain selenium commodities are available for export. The Bureau of Foreign Commerce reports a supplementary quota of 10,000 lbs. (selenium content) has been established by the first quarter, and a total of 30,000 lbs. (selenium content) for the second quarter.

ENGINEER RECRUITING comes into its own as a full fledged exposition on June 8 to 12 in Chicago. The "Technical Personnel Recruiting Exposition" to be presented in conjunction with the National Technical Carrer Conference will feature exhibits by leading research and manufacturing organizations, and panel discussions to provide registrants with a yardstick to measure their professional progress. A preview of this show says "more information will be available at this exposition about the job and the company behind it than has ever been given to prospective technical employees."

### ATOMIC-AGE NIKE

NIKE-Hercules, newest version of the NIKE, has many times the destructive power and is much faster than the original. It will reportedly carry nuclear heads.



Analyzing current developments and trends throughout the electronic industries that will shape tomorrow's research, manufacturing and operation

GENERAL PRICE INCREASE seems imminent. Fiscal statements of the top firms in the industry all show the same trend—sales are up, but profits are down, compared with 1955. Industry officials seem to agree that a general 10% increase in prices will be in force by the end of 1957.

A PESSIMISTIC NOTE was sounded by Tung-Sol Electric Co. in announcing that they are discontinuing for the present all further activities in color TV picture tubes.

#### MANUFACTURING

THE TV OUTLOOK, as the first quarter of 1957 ends, is not bright. The low-cost portable TV set which had given the industry such a shot in the arm in 1956 has now become the last line of resistance for the manufacturer. The warehouses are bulging with more than 2,000,000 unsold TV's. The profit margins have been shaved to the point where TV manufacturing has become unprofitable to all but the largest manufacturers. Throughout the industry, groups of company executives are being harassed by exasperated stockholders who can not or will not face the fact that TV sales have reached a temporary saturation. Completely impossible situations seemed to be in the making, as the manufacturers on the one hand insist that TV receiver prices must be raised 10% and on the other hand dealers are refusing to accept any but the low-priced portable models because the public has become accustomed to the \$100 price and refuses to go any higher. There is only one solution-prices must be raised.

#### LABOR RELATIONS

SERIOUS CLASH seems inevitable between the IUE, representing workers in the radio-TV industry and the radio-television manufacturers. As the manufacturers pulled in their belts to weather the most serious setback they have encountered in the postwar years, the union was announcing their intention to ask for a guaranteed annual wage and a shorter work week in the radio-TV industry. The suggestion for a shorter work week came after a report to the conference that the productivity in the industry had soared in the last few years. The union also warned manufacturers who were planning outof-the-country operations in cheaper labor markets. notably Puerto Rico, that they could expect to deal with organized labor in those areas as well. The IUE, they said, already has organizers in Puerto Rico where several large electronics manufacturers have recently set up plants. These organizers have been able to raise wages substantially in a number of plants on the island.

### COMMUNICATIONS

AT THE N.A.R.T.B. SHOW a great deal of interest will be shown in a paper to be presented on the single side band system by Leonard R. Kahn of Kahn Research Laboratories, Freeport, New York. Mr. Kahn will be explaining his compatible single side band system to the broadcasters, after having had remarkable success in taking his case to the military and air lines. Mr. Kahn has already had some success in applying the system to the Voice of America broadcast. Arinc has already stated flatly that the compatible single side band system will eventually be adopted for all air navigation communication. At a meeting in Washington of the Aircraft Electronics Engineering Committee of Aeronautical Radio, three competing systems were examined-Kahn's, Collins, and General Electric. The Kahn system was adopted mainly because of its compatibility, an extremely important feature to the airlines. Following its adaption by Arinc, the Kahn system was purchased from the Kahn organization by Kaiser Aircraft & Electronics Corp., an affiliate of Kaiser Industries Corp. Kaiser now has full rights for manufacturing and sale of this system to military and owns the necessary patents.

#### TRACKING GUIDED MISSILES

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Although longer, heavier and more than double the diameter of Nike Ajax, the Hercules model will have extreme maneuverability at altitudes far in excess of those capable of being reached by Ajax. Its higher velocity will permit swifter interception of the most advanced types of aircraft and its increased lethality will make Nike Hercules one of the most effective weapons in America's defense arsenal.

According to a special announcement by Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson, nuclear capability will be incorporated into the Nike Hercules surface-to-air guided missile system.

The ground guidance and control equipment and missile guidance are being manufactured by the Western Electric Company at its Burlington and Winston-Salem plants in North Carolina.

#### Miniature Computer



The first model of a general-purpose, alltransistor digital computer, the CP-266, has been produced and delivered to the U. S. Air Force Rome Air Development Center. The rugged 200 pound unit requires no instaliation or set-up time, features self-refrigeration, etched-circuit plug-in boards, self-contained test console and self-checking circuits. The unit is a product of Autonetics, a division of North American Aviation. WIDE-RANGE ULTRASONICS



This is the new lonovac speaker. The tiny quartz cell shown beside the speaker generates a pulsating ionic cloud which replaces the diaphragm of ordinary speakers. The unit is being developed primarily for the range 1 kc to 1 mc, and is not limited to a single frequency as are most conventional ultrasonic transducers. lonovac was recently placed in production by Dukane Corp., St. Charles, III.

## Storm R-F to Aid Propagation Studies

Scientists plan to use natureoperated broadcasting stations during the International Geophysical Year (IGY) to learn more about radio interference and how radio waves travel through the atmosphere. They will record radio signals sent out by some 50,000 thunderstorms that occur daily on earth.

NBS Boulder Laboratories have designed special radio noise recording equipment for the study. These atmospheric noise recorders, operating continuously, will chart the intensity and behavior of thunderstorm signals broadcast at 15 kc to 20 mc.

Some interfering noises made by man will also be recorded and studied. Mostly, however, the scientists will try to choose sites as far removed from the din of man and machines as possible. One station is being installed at Marie Byrd Base in the Antarctic which is about as far as it is earthly possible to get from the belt of high thunderstorm activity around the equator. Here information will be gained on how radio waves travel long distances through the atmosphere.

## FCC Orders 4 Areas To Use UHF-TV Only

The FCC took the first step last month toward alleviating the financial troubles of the UHF TV stations. The Commission ordered all television broadcasting in four areas — Albany, Schenectady-Troy, N. Y.; Elmira, N. Y.; Springfield, Ill. and Peoria. Ill. — to be confined to the UHF band. At the same time the Commission moved to switch broadcasting in St. Louis predominantly to the very-highfrequency band.

Only two stations will be required to change. General Electric's station WRGB. Schenectady, N. Y., has been directed by the Commission to show cause why it should not change from its present Channel 6 to Channel 47. First reports said that a WRGB spokesman had called the decision "obviously not in the public interest" and that GE would contest the decision.

In St. Louis station KTVI will be switched temporarily from Channel 36 to Channel 2, pending the outcome of FCC proceedings on applications for "regular operation" of a TV station on Channel 2.

The decision also affected two other stations, authorized but not yet constructed. Station WIRL-TV, Peoria, which had been temporarily assigned Channel 8, and WMAY-TV which had been assigned Channel 2 in Springfield. Both will be given UHF channels.

## Army Builds Solar Furnace

Solar energy will be used to produce exceedingly high temperatures at the Army Quartermaster Center, Natick. Massachusetts. The system will be used to test protective equipment for military personnel and equipment. The giant reflecting mirror will automatically track the sur.

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TOOLS FOR ENGINEERS

## TASO Begins Study Of TV Allocations

The important Television Allocations Study Organization (TASO) has begun functioning with Dr. George R. Town serving as Executive Director. Dr. Town is on leave of absence from Iowa State College where he is Associate Director of the Engineering Experiment Station. He was formerly Manager of Engineering and Research at Stromberg-Carlson and is a Fellow of the IRE and AIEE.

The formation of TASO resulted from a request by the FCC in September, 1956, to five major elements of the television industry to cooperate in conducting a study program into the technical aspects of UHF and VHF TV broadcasting. Together, the parent organizations of TASO represent every phase of the TV industry in this country — VHF and UHF stations, stations in both large and small markets, the educational broadcasters, and the manufacturers.

Five technical panels have already been formed to begin the work of TASO: Transmitting Equipment. Receiving Equipment. Field Tests, Propagation Data, and Analysis and Theory.

In an exclusive report to ELEC-TRONIC INDUSTRIES on the present status of TASO, Dr. Town emphasized that,

"It is our sincere wish that any representative of a broadcast station or a television manufacturing company, whether or not his employer is a member of one of the parent organizations of TASO. shall notify us of his interest and capabilities so that we may truly represent the industry as a whole. We might add that tentative lists as of this date already include such representation, and we are anxious that this industry-wide participation shall continue. The only qualifications for membership are technical competence, plus the desire and time to serve on the panels."

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# **ELECTRONIC SHORTS**

Air pollution experts will welcome the news from Hanford atomic plant that dirt-free, sootless, smogless heating may result from atomic heating. Use of reactor waste heat has been proved technically feasible in the Hanford buildings. Unlike many development projects, the Hanford installation has proved remarkably sound and trouble-free — and will result in a net saving of about \$60,000 a year after a three to seven year amortization.

The newly developed Bell Labs type M1789 traveling-wave tube may be the forerunner of a popular class of tubes. It is a medium power tube capable of amplifying a 500 mc band at a center frequency of about 6000 mc, with a gain of approximately 33 db at its nominal output of 5 watts. Current-consuming focusing solenoids have been eliminated, and other improvements are introduced to give an average life in early models which exceeds 10,000 hours.

▶ British manufacturers are now producing marine radar sets at a rate to equip more than 5 vessels a day. More than 1800 British-made marine radar sets per year are being supplied to ships of all nations throughout the world. Mr. C. H. T. Johnson, Chairman of the Radio Communication and Electronic Engineering Association, speaking of Britain's stringent Marine Radar Performance Specification: "It is right that Britain, where radar was invented, should set and keep the world standard for this type of equipment."

• Choking traffic problems, now faced by most American cities, may be answered by effective use of closed-circuit TV. Cameras would be strategically located along busy cross-city intersections or other important traffic arteries. A traffic coordinator, seated in front of a bank of monitors, at a central traffic bureau, could view conditions and control traffic by radio-controlled lights. A few cities are already using radio-controlled lights, but no concerted effort has been made to test traffic control by closed-circuit TV and radio-coordinated traffic systems.

▶ The National Bureau of Standards (NBS) has developed a punched card transcriber which makes possible more rapid feeding of data into an automatic computer. Numbers and instructions recorded on punched cards are converted into a binary serial code. The system is about 150 times faster than the present paper tape inscriber and can handle up to 600 cards/min.

▶ Great Britain has announced that it will begin forming its first guided missiles regiment. The regiment to be known as the 47th Guided Weapons Regiment (field), Royal Artillery, is to be equipped with United States made Corporal missiles that have a range of about 50 miles. It will be stationed in Hampshire, in the south of England, but it will have a training range on South Uist, one of the outer Hebrides, off Scotland. Patterned more after the U. S. missile battalion than ordinary British artillery regiments, it will comprise about 500 men, including 30 officers, organized in two batteries and a maintenance unit.

▶ Jamming radio programs from the west is costing the Soviet Union between \$3- and \$4-billion a year according to an estimate by the former Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, General Alfred M. Gruenther. The U. S. informational program costs about \$125-million a year. So much money is spent on jamming radio programs that it exceeds the amount of all the cultural and informational activities of the entire western world. The Soviets are spending the tremendous sums in the form of pure propaganda—radio, pamphlets, and others. The propaganda is very clever and almost imperceptible as such.

▶ The Federal Communications Commission has directed AT&T and Bell Systems subsidiaries to permit phone subscribers to use the Hush-a-Phone and similar devices. The Hush-a-Phone is a cup-like device that can be snapped on the telephone mouthpiece to give privacy to conversations and shut out surrounding noise. The New York manufacturers of the device have challenged, in the courts, the telephone company regulations prohibiting "foreign attachments" on telephones. The court held that a telephone subscriber had a right to use his telephone "in ways which are privately beneficial without being publicly detrimental."



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## Interface Impedance **Test Established**

At its last meeting, ASTM Committee F-1 on Materials for Electron Tubes and Semiconductor Devices reported progress in improving the method of test for interface impedance. The data from extensive interlaboratory tests have been recorded on punched cards and will be analyzed at the Bell Telephone Laboratories. The committee is concentrating its efforts in measuring time constants below 1 microsecond as it is this range which is most critical in measurement of low values of interface impedance. Tubes which develop an appreciable interface impedance lose their ability to handle high frequencies, especially pulses, and thus may be rendered inoperative in such applications as computers.

Long experience has indicated that measurement of physical, electrical and chemical properties of materials outside an electron tube does not always indicate performance of the materials in a tube. Therefore, the committee is developing reference tubes, both diodes and triodes, in which the quality of materials and details of construction are carefully specified. These reference devices are useful for evaluating properties of tube materials.

### **CRYSTAL INGOT**



Bar of pure germanium, after processing by Hughes Aircraft Co.'s semi-conductor division in Los Angeles, is converted into the small pile of crystals shown-80,000 of them. Each forms the heart of a germanium diode.

# **Coming Events**

A listing of meetings, conferences, shows, etc., occurring during the period April and May, that are of special interest to electronic engineers

- Apr. 7-11: 35th Annual Convention, sponsored by NARTB; at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago.
- Apr. 8-10: Techniques of Supervisory Training (Pt. 2), sponsored by the American Management Association; at the Sheraton-Astor Hotel, N. Y.
- Apr. 8-11: National Electrical Industries Show, sponsored by Eastern Electrical Wholesalers Assn., at 71st Reg. Armory, New York. Apr. 8-12: Annual Welding Show,
- sponsored by American Welding Society and AIEE; at Hotel Sheraton and Convention Hall, Philadelphia.
- Apr. 9-10: Annual Industrial Electronic Educational Conf., sponsored ble IRE Industrial Electronics Grp. and Armour Found.; at Ill. Inst. of Tech., Chicago.
- April 9-11: 14th Annual British Radio Component Show (incl. TV, electronic and telecommunication equipment); Radio & Electronic Component Mfrs. Federation, 21 Tothill St., London S. W. 1; in London.
- Apr. 10: Annual Meeting & Dinner, sponsored by the Radio Pioneers; at Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago.
- April 11-13: 9th Southwestern Regional Conf. & Electronics Show, sponsored by Houston Section, IRE: at Shamrock Hotel, Houston.
- April 11-13: Nat'l Simulation Council sponsored by IRE-PGEC, Houston Section, (as part of S. W. Reg. Conf.); Shamrock Hotel, Houston.
- April 14-27: U. S. World Trade Fair (incl. electronic equipment and scientific instruments); at The Coliseum, New York.
- April 15-16: Meeting of the Radio Technical Commission for Marine Service; at the Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C.
- April 15-17: National Symposium on Telemetering. sponsored by IRE; at the New Sheraton Hotel, Phila.
- April 15-17: Symposium on Systems for Information Retrieval, sponsored by Western Reserve Univ., at the Western Reserve Univ., Cleveland.
- April 16-18: Symp. on Nondestructive Tests Developed in the Field of Nuclear Energy, sponsored by the AICE. American Nuclear Society, ASTM, and Society for Nondestructive Testing; at the Morrison Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
- April 23-25: 5th National Electromagnetic Relay Conf., sponsored by Oklahoma Inst. of Tech., Oklahoma A & M and National Assn. of Relay Mfg.; at Oklahoma A & M. Stillwater.

- April 23-25: Symp. on Role of Solid State Devices in Electric Circuits, sponsored by IRE and Dept. of Defense; at Engineering Society Bldg., New York.
- April 23-25: International Symp. on the Role of Solid State Phenomena, sponsored by the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, Microwave Research Institute; at the Auditorium of Engineering Societies Bldg. N. Y.
- April 24-25: National Industrial Research Conf., sponsored by Armour Research Foundation; at Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago.
- April 25-26: Annual Technical Meeting of the Institute of Environmental Engineers; at the LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
- April 26-27: 11th Annual Spring TV Conf., sponsored by IRE; at Eng'g. Society Bldg., Cincinnati.
- April 27-May 2: SAMA Annual Meeting, sponsored by SAMA: White Sulphur Springs, W. Virginia. April 29-May 3: 81st Semi-Annual
- Conv., sponsored by Society of Motion Picture & TV Engineers; at Shoreham Hotel, Wash., D. C.
- May 1-3: Electronic Components Symp., sponsored by IRE, AIEE, RETMA, WCEMA; at Morrison Hotel, Chicago.
- May 9-10: Annual Meeting, Covering Ferrites Devices, sponsored by IRE Microwave Theory & Techniques Grp.; at the Western Union Auditorium, N. Y.
- May 12-16: 111th Annual Meeting: sponsored by the Electrochemical Society; at the Hotel Statler, Washington, D. C.
- May 13-15: National Aeronautical & Navigational Conf., sponsored by IRE; at the Dayton-Biltmore Hotel, Dayton, Ohio.
- May 14-15: Industrial Nuclear Technology Conf., sponsored by Armour Research Found.; at Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago.

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#### Abbreviations :

AICE: American Inst. of Chemical Engrs. AIEE: American Inst. of Electrical Engrs.

- ASTM: American Society for Testing Materials IAS: Inst. of Aeronautical Sciences
- IRE: Institute of Radio Engineers
- ISA: Instrument Society of America

- RETMA: Radio-Electronic-Television Manufac-turers Assoc.
- SAMA: Scientific Apparatus Makers Assoc. WCEMA: West Coast Electronic Manufacturers Assoc.

NARTB: National Assn. of Radio & TV Broadcasters NEDA: National Electronic Distributors Assoc.



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# TOTALS



#### ENGINEERING DEGREES Degree 1954-55 1955-56 B.S. 22.589 26.306 M.S. 4,379 4,705 Ph.D. 599 610 Enrollments 1955-56 1956-57 72,825 77,738 Ist Year 2nd Year 50,841 55.767 3rd Year 39,377 44,610 4th Year 31,300 37,571 5th Year regular 1,358 1,387 1,838 5th Year cooperative 1,450 24,297 32,210 Other 221,448 251,121 Subtotal 22,529 18,482 M.S. graduate students 3,163 3,402 Ph.D. graduate students 243.093 277.052 Total -Engineers Joint Council & Scientific Manpower Commission

#### TRANSISTOR PRODUCTION

Year	Quantity	\$ Value
1956	12,840,000	37,352,000
1955	3,646,802	9,860,062
1954	1,317,327	5,122,266
		—Retma

#### MILITARY EXPENDITURES

Budget Category	Fiscal year 1956	lst quarter FY 1957
Aircraft	\$ 925.0	\$213.0
Ships and Harbor Craft	80.0	17.0
Combat Vehicles	9.5	1.0
Support Vehicles	5.8	.2
Guided Missiles	630.0	205.0
Electronics and Communications	770.2	130.0
Research and Development	265.0	66.0
Miscellaneous	47.5	.4
TOTAL	\$2,733.0	\$632.6
Millions of Dollars		—Retma

#### HOUSEHOLDS WITH TV SETS

	Aug.	Feb.	June
Sets in household	1956	1956	1955
All households	100%	100%	100%
With one set or more	76%	73%	67%
One set	72%	69%	65%
Two sets or more	4%	4%	2%
No set	24%	27% —Dept. of	33% Commerce

### GOVERNMENT ELECTRONIC CONTRACT AWARDS

This list classifies and gives the value of electronic equipment selected from contracts awarded by government procurement agencies in February, 1957.

Amplifiers	331,497	nverters	174,779	Relay Components	48,857
Amplifier Parts	1,198,547	Kit Radar Installation	120,999	Relays	221,087
Antennas & Components	286,743	Kits, Modification	928,172	Resistors	28,325
Battery Chargers	89,600	Meters	25,935	Servo Positioning Mechanisms	104,990
Batteries, Dry	400,791	Meters, Frequency	58,713	Signal Comparators	45,194
Batteries, Storage	768,606	Meters, Ohm	63,526	Simulators, Target	214,176
Cable Assemblies	235,013	Meters, Volt	49,510	Spare Parts	26,430
Capacitors	113,565	Multimeters	212,593	Speakers	113,044
Circuit Breakers	37,748	Networks	95,570	Stroboscopes	39,058
Coils	138,599	Oscilloscopes	42,722	Switches	173,307
Computers & Accessories	80,173	Power Supplies	802,202	Syncros	66,536
Computers, Airborne	6,736,102	Radar Components & Spares	214,127	Tape, Recording	27,500
Connectors	41,970	Radar Equipment	51,419	Television Equipment	289,705
Co-ordinate Data Sets	741,168	Radio Receivers	32,000	Testers	65,687
Dummy Loads	60,458	Radio Set Controls	25,600	Test Sets	27,437
Echo Boxes	122,035	Radio Transmitters	374,220	Transformers	109,842
Generators, Signal	278,829	Radomes	343,492	Transponder Set	35,599
Handsets & Headsets	581,580	Receivers-Transmitters & Acces.	5,451,974	Tubes, Electron	2,253,647
Indicators	2,925,336	Recorders-Reproducers	41,958	Vibrators	25,800
Insulators	45,650	Rectifiers	45,377	Wavemeters	27,869
Intercom Racks	54,307	Relay Assemblies	130,588	Wire & Cable	1,377,856

# Electronic Industries' News Briefs

# Capsule summaries of important happenings in affairs of equipment and component manufacturers

EAST

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP. has revealed plans to establish the new manufacturing unit for the company's recently formed Data Processing Div. in the village of Essex Junction, 6 mi. east of Burlington, Vt.

SANGAMO ELECTRIC CO. is now operating its newest factory, located at Pickins, S. C., a short distance from Greenville. This completely air-conditioned bldg. provides approx. 200,000 sq. ft. of floor space.

GULTON-SPEIDEL, INC., is the name of the recently formed, jointly owned corporation of Speidel Corp. and Gulton Industries, Inc. The new firm has been formed for the purpose of marketing a series of new electronic products.

X-RAY AND INDUSTRIAL ELECTRONCS DIV., a recently formed new division of the Westinghouse Electric Corp., will be headed by W. J. Delaney, Jr.

**RETMA HEADQUARTERS** is now in its new building at 1721 DeSales St., N. W. Washington 6, D. C.

FISCHER & PORTER CO has purchased 2 tracts in central Bucks County, Pa. Both tracts, 8 ni, from the present Hatboro location, are tied in with plans for company expansion.

SPERRY RAND CORP. has selected Clearwater, Fla., as the site of a \$2,000,000 electronics plant for research in microwave physics and development of advanced radar and missile instrumentation. Eugene J. Venaglia will be manager of this new division.

DATA & DISPLAY DEPT. is a newly formed group of A. B. DuMont Labs. Inc. This new group is in the circuit research div. Its formation was prompted by increased activity in research and development work on data pick-up, processing, and display techniques.

GE'S LIGHT MILITARY ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT DEPT. has received a letter contract totaling \$20 million from the USAF for production of airborne electronic countermeasures equipment (radar janmers).

CONSOLIDATED ELECTRONICS INDUS-TRIES CORP. directors have authorized the company to negotiate an agreement to supply overall management assistance to the Sessions Clock Co., Forestville, Conn.

**BOGUE ELECTRIC MFG. CO.** has been awarded a contract totaling \$2.5 million for control systems for the long range bomber missiles. Production originally scheduled over a 2 yr. period has been accelerated in a crash program to provide for completion of the work in approx. 9 months.

NEW YORK UNIV., COLLEGE OF ENGI-NEERING, has placed into operation an IBM 650 high speed electronic computer. The ¼ million dollar medium-sized "mechanical brain" will be used for research and in a new educational program.

**RESIN INDUSTRIES, Santa Barbara, Calif.**, has acquired a Leominster, Mass., plant of 21,000 sq. ft. At the same time, an eastern sales office was opened at Stamford, Conn.

WHITEHEAD METAL PRODUCTS CO., INC., laid the cornerstone for their new 35,000 sq. ft. office and warehouse at Windsor, Conn. SIGHTMASTER, CORP., manufacturers of fuses, has announced that it has acquired Mutual Electronic Industries Corp., a producer of patented cable and panel equipment and triaxial connectors. Both companies have manufacturing facilities at New Rochelle, N. Y.

AMERICAN ELECTRONIC LABORA-TORIES, INC., announces the removal of its main administrative offices to the Copeland Bldg., 121 N. 7th St., Philadelphia 6.

#### MID-WEST

UNIV. OF MICHIGAN, COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING, has announced 2 summer Intensive Courses in Automatic Control. The first is scheduled for June 17 to 22 incl.; the second, June 24 to 26, 1957, incl. The courses are intended for engineers who find it necessary or who wish to obtain a basic understanding of the field, or who cannot spare more than a few days for this purpose.

**ADMIRAL CREDIT CORP.**, a wholly owned subsidary of Admiral Corp., has been formed to handle the financing of dealer purchases throughout the country. The organization will ultimately finance consumer purchases as well.

BENDIX AVIATION CORP. has entered into a contract to acquire the business and assets of the Sheffield Corp., Dayton, O., a privately owned company, which is one of the major manufacturers of precision, gauging and measuring instruments.

PHOTO CRYSTALS, INC., opened management offices at 1974 E. 61st St., Cleveland, O. The company factory will presently remain at Geneva, Ill. The company manufacturers **a** line of miniature light, heat, and humidity sensing elements.

FIELDEN INSTRUMENT DIV., ROBERT-SHAW-FULTON CONTROLS CO., has moved to larger quarters at 6116 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland. Harold N. Gilmore has been named to head the Cleveland office.

#### FOREIGN

CONTROLS CO. OF AMERICA has announced an expansion program to increase assembly and fabrication operations at the Nijmegen, Holland, plant of its subsidiary, Controls Maatschappij Europa N.V.

AMF ATOMICS INC., American Machino & Foundry Co. subsidiary has been awarded a contract by the Greek Govt. to design and build a nuclear research reactor near Athens as the center of a new Greek National Atomic Energy Laboratory which will be named for Democritus, acknowledged discoverer of the atom.

G-V CONTROLS, INC., East Orange, N. J., has negotiated an agreement for the manufacture and sale, under license, of its prodacts in Europe through Societe Intertechnique, a French firm active in the aeromantical and electronic fields.

HUMPHREY INC., San Diego manufacturer of electro-mechanical instruments, has appointed Industrial Imports Ltd., Tokyo, as its representative in Japan.



ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE has announced the appointment of an Electronics Advisory Board to advise electronics firms that indicate interest in locating there. Joe Hegge, manager of the Sandia Corp. Electromechanical Development Dept. was named chairman of the new board.

ALWAC CORP. is the new name for Logistics Research. The new title will provide better identification with the company's products and services which all bear the Alwae name.

CALIFORNIA TECHNICAL INDUSTRIES has noved to 1421 Old County Rd., Belmont, Calif. The company has recently changed its name from Color Television Inc.

SYSTRON CORP. has been formed to design and manufacture electronic control systems and data processing equipment. G. H. Bruns, Jr., is president and director of the company. The firm is located in Concord, Calif., about 20 miles east of San Francisco Bay.

BEHLMAN ENGINEERING CO., 114-116 South Hollywood Way, Burbank, has recently expanded. The move doubles the firm's previous floor space.

LOCKHEED'S MISSILE SYSTEMS DIV. has established two new weapon system organizations. The managers of the new organizations are John H. Carter and Stanley W. Burriss.

C. P. CLARE & CO., Chicago relay manufacturer, opened a new field engineering and sales office at 6047 Hollywood Blvd., Los Angeles 28. Jesse R. Stone will be in charge of the new office.

SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS DIV., BECK-MAN INSTRUMENTS INC., Fullerton, Calif., has received an order for a 200-channel Beckman 112, completely transistorized data-processing system, from Douglas Aircraft. The system will be used to speed research on the "Thor," an intermediate range ballistic missile now being developed for the Air Force.

BECKMAN & WHITLEY, INC., San Carlos, Calif., manufacturer of high-speed research cameras, meteorological instruments, and explosive-actuated devices, more than doubles its floor space in assimilation of the building adjoining its present plant.

DATAIRE CO. is the new subsidiary of West Coast Research Corp. It will handle data reduction, analysis, and computer work. Martin Seldon, will function as General Manager of the company.

MINNEAPOLIS-HONEYWELL'S A E R O-NAUTICAL DIV.'S Missile Controls Lab. at Los Angeles will carry out work on a halfmillion dollar study contract concerned with the development of a new type of air-to-ground rocket.

AUTONETICS, DIV. OF NORTH AMERI-CAN AVIATION CORP., has been elected to membership in the Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics.

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS, INC., announced that two wholly-owned subsidiaries have become operating divisions. Houston Technical Laboratories, geophysical and industrial instrument manufacturer, has become the Industrial Instrumentation Div. W. I. Mann Co., precision optics manufacturer, located in Monrovia, Calif., is now the Optics Div. Raytheon – World's Largest Manufacturer of Magnetrons and Klystrons

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**Tele-Tips** 

TV SERVICE INDUSTRY last month unloosed a bitter blast at the manufacturers planning factory service operations, and in the process put their finger on one of the paradoxes of the times. Automobile radios, as new equipment, are holding an average price of \$90.38, and range up to \$135.00 per set. Television sets, even the most anemic, have three times as many components, plus CRT and expensive cabinet. Yet dealers are finding it difficult to get more than \$100.00 apiece for them.

OUR ELECTRONIC TIMES: Pope Pius XII transmitted his Apostolic blessing by radio to 3,000 Cardinals, Archbishops, Bishops, other clergymen and laymen.

FIRST COLOR TV OUTLET, Station WNBQ, Chicago cut back their programming from 44 to 38¼ hrs. per week. Reason: no sponsors.

FIRST CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED all-weather radar has gone into operation at London Airport. The new system operates on the 50 cm band and is almost impervious to weather conditions. It incorporates a moving target indicator system to eliminate permanent echoes. High operational stability is ensured through complete crystal control.

MOBILE RADIO has found a new application, tying together cemetery operations. Groups of workmen can be at work at widely spaced locations yet be available in a few moments for any needed duties.

**NEW "RADAR RULER"** surveying tool developed by Motorola and the U. S. Signal Corps is accurate to within a few feet over a distance of 50 miles.

**GRAND PRIZE** in Pyramid Electric's Twist Mount Capacitor Contest will be a weekend for two at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, N. Y. plus \$100 cash.

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# **Tele-Tips**

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**INTERFERENCE** from electrical and electronic equipment is impairing the operation of America's modern defense systems, declared a Signal Corps spokesman at the two-day Radio Interference Reduction Conference, conducted by the Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Inst. of Technology. Brig. Gen. E. F. Cook said that many new equipments are on the drawing boards but before they can become practical something must be done to decrease the high interference already existing around present equipment.

THE WORLD now has 845 TV stations and 56,000,000 TV sets. The U. S. alone has 496 TV stations and 42,000,000 receivers.

NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS are finding it difficult to sell the installation of reactors to nearby residents because of the public's apprehension over the radiation problem. Now a special PR course has been designed expressly to instruct company personnel in soothing the public's objections.

MICROWAVE LINKS now constitute about half of the Bell System's national coaxial network.

SKIP HAPPY. Squad car 1 called in, "I need some anti-freeze, sarge. Any there in the station?" The sergeant in a N. J. station called back, "Yeah, five cans. Come in and get it." After a few moments squad car 2 broke in, "Don't wait for him, sarge. That's a car out in Denver, Colorado." Explanation: sunspots.

THE ELECTRONIC AGE has finally caught up with the Army. The Signal Corps announces that some 1,000 carrier pigeons they have been training at Ft. Monmouth, N. J., will soon be offered for sale, marking the end of these colorful couriers in Army service. The Army started using pigeons back in 1897 as carriers of messages, map overlays and photographic film. During WW II, approximately 40,000 racing pigeons were supplied the Army without cost by pigeon fanciers.



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# Industry News

Col. Forrest W. Donkin, USAF (Ret.) has joined Page Communications Engineers, Inc., as Vice-President and Dir. of Operations, Western Div. Colonel Donkin was closely associated with the building of the first Ionospheric-Scatter Communications System.

John K. McDonough has been promoted to Vice President and General Sales Manager of General Instruments Corp. His experience of more than 15 years in the radio and TV industry has encompassed all phases of manufacturing, engineering, and purchasing, as well as sales.



J. K. McDonough

W. M. Pierce

Wayne M. Pierce, Jr. has been appointed Vice President for Engineering and Manufacturing at Norden-Ketay. He planned the layouts of operations for several of their plants. Mr. Pierce's offices are at Norden-Ketay's headquarters in Stamford, Conn.

Russel A. Schlegel is now General Sales Manager of the Weston Electrical Instrument Corp.

William W. Bumpus has joined Hycon Eastern, Inc. as General Manager of the Sales Div. Mr. Bumpus brings with him a broad background in electronics having been affiliated with the USAF Nuclear Weapons Program for 6 years.

lrving I. Ser has been named General Sales Manager of Astron Corp., East Newark, N. J.

J. R. Wolff is now Director of Research at Radiation Instrument Development Laboratory. He will correlate engineering and development between RIDL, Chicago, and the manufacture of their equipment by Intertechnique of Versailles, France.

Thomas Teigen has been made Manager of Sangamo's Advertising Dept. with full charge of its administration and direction.

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Maximum collector voltage	60	80	40 volts		
Saturation voltage (12 amp.)	0.7	0.7	0.7 volts		
Power gain (Class A, 10 watts)	38	38	38 db		
Alpha cutoff frequency	0.4	0.4	0.4 mc		
Power dissipation	55	55	55 watts		
Thermal gradient from junction to mounting base	1.2°	1.2°	1.2° °C/watt		
Distortion (Class A, 10 watts)	5%	5%	5%		

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G1822	—10 to —90 dbm	18,000 22,000 mc	\$1822	10 mw
G2225		22,000 - 25,000 mc	\$2225	10 mw
G2427		24,700 - 27,500 mc	\$2427	10 mw
G2730		27,270 - 30,000 mc	\$2730	10 mw
G3033		29,700 - 33,520 mc	\$3033	10 mw
G3336		33,520 - 36,250 mc	\$3336	9 mw
G3540		35,100 - 39,700 mc	\$3540	5 mw
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Keeton Arnett has submitted his resignation as a Vice-President of the Allen B. DuMont Laboratories, Inc. in order to accept the Executive Vice-Presidency of the Chamber of Commerce of Greater Phila.

Walter C. Byrne, Jr. has been promoted to the position of Sales Manager, for Motorola Microwave and Industrial Control Dept. Mr. Byrne joined the company as a Senior Engineer in 1950 and then became a specialist in microwave and industrial control products.



W. C. Byrne

P. J. Teich

P. J. Teich has been appointed Manager of Marine and Ordnance Radar Systems Engineering for General Electric's Heavy Military Electronic Equipment Dept. His engineering responsibilities have been related exclusively to military electronics systems.

Dr. Lee L. Davenport will become President of Sylvania-Corning Nuclear Corp. upon its formation in the near future. He also has been appointed to an executive post with Sylvania Electric Products Inc. The new corporation is being formed as a jointly owned company by Sylvania and Corning Glass for expanded research, development and production activities in the atomic energy field.

Robert L. Colfax and Otho C. Lindsey are now Sales Managers of IRC, Hycor Div., Sylmar, Calif. and IRC's subsidiary, Circuit Instruments, Inc., St. Petersburg, Florida, respectively.

Dr. Harvard L. Hull, Vice-President of Litton Industries, Inc. has been named General Manager of the College Park, Md. subsidiary of the company, formerly the Ahrendt Instrument Co.

Donald C. Wagner was promoted from Production Manager to Plant Manager of Magnetic Research Corp., El Segundo, Calif.

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# Industry News

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Dr. Robert P. Petersen, former Director of Nuclear research for Republic Steel Corp., was elected President of Applied Research Inc. He has played a prominent part in the development of the nations atomic energy program.

Andrew T. Fischer has been named Marketing Director for Alwac Corp. (formerly Logistics Research, Inc.). Mr. Fischer has been Sales Manager of RCA Computer Div. before joining Alwac.





A. T. Fischer

M. J. Volcansek

Brig. Gen. Max J. Volcansek, Jr. USMC (Ret.) has joined Texas Instruments Inc. in the Apparatus Div. Engineering Dept. He will be head of the Administrative Branch and will be responsible for all planning of an administrative nature.

**E.** Philo Davis, formerly of Hughes Products, has joined the staff at Hoffman Labs.

Leslie A. Skinner, nationally known missile and rocket specialist has joined as Manager, RCA Missile Operations at the White Sands Proving Grounds.

E. V. Space for the newly created position as Manager, Equipment and Production Development, RCA Semi-Conductor Div.

Harold Hechtman will now serve as Director of Public Relations of Airborne Instrument Laboratory, Inc., Mineola, N. Y.

Harry E. Pinkerton has been named president of the Intercontinental Electronics Corp. (INTEC). Mr. Pinkerton's experience is particularly suited to the overall objective for which INTEC was created — the application of French Scientific Discoveries for the American market.

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TD-11	6357	RG25/U	8.20-12.40	200	75	15.2	10°E
TD-12	6358	RG48/U	2.60-3.95	250	80	15.2	10°E
TD-13	6359	RG53/U	18.00-26.50	200	65	15.2	10°E
TD-18	6684	RG91/U	12.40-18.00	200	70	15.2	10°E
TD-21	-	RG69/U	1.12-1.70	250	65	15.2	90°H
TD-22	-	RG48/U	2.60-3.95	250	45	15.2	90°H
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Screen Dissipation	12 watts
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#### TYPICAL OPERATION

DC Plate Voltage DC Screen Voltage	500 250	1000 250	1500 250	2000 volts 250 volts
DC Grid Voltage.		90	90	—90 volts
DC Plate Current	250	250	250	250 ma
DC Screen Current	45	35	30	25 ma
DC Grid Current	32	28	28	27 m a
Peak RF Grid Voltage (approx.)	118	116	116	115 volts
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James R. Alburger President Shannon Luminous Materials Co.

#### Editor's note:

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In the past month there have been two important announcements by labor that have a direct bearing on the electronic industries. The first is that the IUE (International Union of Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers of America) will seek to introduce GAW (guaranteed annual wage). The second is that attempts will be made to unionize electronic engineers.

Both of these efforts can have serious consequences. GAW in the radio and television industry for example, can spell the difference as to whether medium sized or smaller organizations can remain in business. There appears little doubt that its introduction will cause higher prices and add more fuel to the inflationary spiral.

At the present time the unions claim to represent about 10% of the engineers in the U. S. and this membership appears to be confined to firms that hire engineers by hundreds or thousands. Thus the union inroad into the professional sphere has been comparatively small and this is probably because of the creative ability of engineers and their desire to be individualistic. There is a feeling among many that unionization is not the answer but there is also the admission that there is no workable organization standing between unions and the professional engineering societies.

In any event, the months ahead will be important. We should be aware of the circumstances and take pains to acquaint ourselves with all the details in order to properly evaluate conditions. Two important booklets have been issued in recent months that deserve individual review. The first is "Unionization Among American Engineers" (Studies in Personnel Policy No. 155), published by the National Industrial Conference Board, Inc., 460 Park Avenue, New York 22, N. Y. The second is "Monopoly Power As Exercised by Labor Unions" issued by the National Association of Manufacturers, 2 East 48th Street, New York 17, N.Y.

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All of us have been aware during recent years of the tremendous demand for electrical and electronic engineers. All of us have heard of the excellent salaries and large number of fringe benefits that suitably trained and experienced engineers can acquire. Perhaps some of us have taken this advantageous time to "job-hop" and in a few short years arrive at an income that would normally have taken two or three times longer to achieve.

While expenditures for military electronics have risen over the last six years, the rise no-where-near parallels the rise in help wanted advertising lineage. In 1950 the Chicago Tribune reported approximately 161,000 display lines. In 1956 this figure comes to more than 600,000. So the question arises . . What is a reasonable allowance for help wanted advertising? And who pays for the increase in lineage?

There are signs on the Washington horizon now that "reasonableness" will be more critically watched. It would be well to evaluate personnel requirements and personnel status now. If the "helpwanted bubble" does burst there could be difficult times ahead for both the electronic manufacturers and the engineers.

## GAW & Unionization

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# Flow Line Analysis

Practical engineers will welcome this pictorial analysis of transistor switching circuits—it gives an intuitive check on design calculations.

#### By RICHARD B. HURLEY

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Limiting potentials and currents are of concern in switching circuits and in the biasing of transistors. The large-signal analyses of Ebers and Moll<sup>1</sup>, the switching studies of Bright<sup>2</sup>, and the floating potentials derived by Bell<sup>3</sup> combine the more significant interactions within a transistor to yield a good approximation of its external performance. Quite often, however, the results are not intuitively obvious. "Flow

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line analysis" is presented as an intuitive check on the results of calculations.

This method of analysis employs no new relationships. It is a pictorial expression of equations developed by Ebers and Moll, and gives an intuitive correlation between internal and external transistor behavior.

#### Preliminary

The PN diode represented by Fig. 1 should obey the conventional diode equation<sup>4</sup> (below) at small applied voltages and resulting currents, if body ohmic drops and surface leakages are ignored.

 $I = I_{s} (\epsilon^{qV/kT} - 1)$ , where

(1)

 $I_8 = body saturation current,$ 

q = electronic charge,

 $\mathbf{k} = \text{Boltzmann's constant},$ 

T = absolute temperature,

 $\frac{kT}{q} = 0.026$  volts @ 300°K,

V = applied forward voltage, and

I = forward current.

Furthermore, if the P-side is heavily doped relative to the N-side, the saturation current should be<sup>4</sup>

$$_{\mathbf{g}} = \frac{1}{\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{PN}}} (\mathbf{q} \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{N}} \mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{P}} \mathbf{A}), \text{ where}$$
 (2)

 $P_N$  = density of "free" holes on the N-side,

 $D_{P}$  = diffusion constant for holes,

T

A = cross-sectional area,

 $L_{PN} = \sqrt{D_P \tau_{PN}}$  = diffusion length of holes on the N-side, and  $\tau_{PN}$  = lifetime of holes on the N-side,

A small germanium diode might be fabricated by creating a heavily doped P-region on an N-type crystal chip with an effective junction area of, say 0.01 square centimeters. The N-type crystal might have a resistivity of 5 ohm-cm. and lifetimes of 100 micro-seconds. Thus a calculation of the saturation current would yield—

#### I<sub>3</sub> ≌ 2 μn.

Should the length of the N-region now be cut to where it is much less than the original diffusion length, the length of the N-region would become approximately the new diffusion length, and the lifetimes would be appropriately reduced. If the length of the N-region is reduced to, say 0.0025 cm., and this length is substituted for the diffusion length in equation (2),—

#### I<sub>s</sub> ≌ 50 μα.

Now consider a PNP triode in which both P-regions are heavily doped relative to the base N-region, e.g., a conventional alloyed PNP transistor. In addition, assume that the collector-base diode has the properties of the preceding diode example with a base thickness of 0.0025 cm. Now if this transistor is symmetrical and has alphas of about 0.95, the measured collector-base current under a few-tenths of a volt reverse bias might register about 5  $\mu$ a. That is, if the emitter is left open, and voltages are applied between the collector and base terminals, the resulting device acts externally like an ordinary diode, but with a saturation current of about 5  $\mu$ a rather than the anticipated saturation current of about 50µa. Such a situation is as it should be, but a degree of confusion could exist without a clear picture of the internal actions of a transistor. A satisfactory insight to such transistor action can be gleaned from a "flow line analysis."

#### **Basic Method**

The basic ingredients (ignoring surface leakages and body ohmic drops) of "flow line analysis" are illustrated in Fig. 2. The barrier potentials shown are the net external voltages and not the internal barrier potentials. Due to the thermally generated barrier (not "seen" externally), the actual internal barrier potentials are assumed always to be negative on the P-side and positive on the N-side as illustrated

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in Fig. 1. Thus an applied forward voltage simply reduces the size but does not reverse the polarity of the internal barrier potential. Therefore both junctions in a transistor are always "collecting" junctions. That is, both barriers have a net internal electrostatic potential of proper polarity for collecting minority carriers from the base region.

"Emission" by a junction (as used herein) refers to a current flow through a junction by virtue of its own diode action as governed by eq. (1). "Collection" by a junction refers to a current flow across a junction by the process of collecting minority carriers in the base region that are due to emissive action on the part of the other junction. Therefore a given junction is always in a collecting state, but its emission may be positive, zero, or negative depending on whether the net external voltage is forward (positive on P-side), zero, or reverse. The basic rules employed here for flow line analysis are as follows:

1. Flow lines are given arrowhead directions in the direction of conventional positive current flow.

2. The emission of a given junction is assumed positive if its external junction voltage is assumed forward.

3. The emission of a given junction is assumed negative if its external junction voltage is assumed reverse.

4. The "chain of events" along a flow line follow the direction of the arrowheads for assumed positive emission, but they go against the arrowhead directions for assumed negative emission in a PNP transistor. The converse is true in an NPN transistor.



The equations representing the flow line action in Fig. 2 are---

$$I_{EX} = I_{ES}(\epsilon^{qV_E/kT} - 1)$$
 and (3)

$$I_{CX} = I_{CS}(\epsilon^{qV_C/kT} - 1) \text{ where}$$
(4)

I<sub>EX</sub> =Icurrent emitted by the emitter,

- $I_{CX}$  = current emitted by the collector,
- $I_{ES}$  = internal body saturation current of the emitter-base diode, and

 $I_{CS}$  = internal body saturation current of the collector-base diode, and

$$I_E = I_{EX} - \alpha_I I_{CX}$$
, and (5)

$$I_{C} = I_{CX} - \alpha_{N} I_{EX}$$
, where (6)

 $\alpha_{\rm I}$  = inverted alpha (emitter collecting), and

 $\alpha_{\rm N}$  = normal alpha (collector collecting),

Before applying the flow line analysis to particular problems, the alphas will be restricted. It will be

#### Flow Line Analysis (Continued)

assumed that the alphas are constants of the transistor and are therefore independent of the level of the various voltages and currents. Thus it will be assumed that there are no induced fields in the base region<sup>5</sup>, no space-charge layer widening effects6, and no avalanche multiplication action at the collecting junctions7. The flow line technique of analysis is not, in general, dependent upon constant alphas, but such a limitation does allow for simple equations, easy calculations, and yet frequently useful results. Obviously the restricted alphas will give most reliable performance data when the transistors are used in low-level applications<sup>1</sup> such as millivolt choppers<sup>2</sup> or low-power multivibrators. However, Ebers and Moll<sup>1</sup> have illustrated good agreement between analysis and experiment even at higher levels in an example where measured high-level alphas were employed in the equations.

#### **Collector Saturation**

A good example of flow line analysis is found in the case cited earlier where a reverse voltage is applied to the collector-base diode and the emitter is left open (Fig. 3). With a few tenths of a volt reverse potential applied to the collector-base diode, the body saturation current will be exposed, amounting to a negative emission at the collector junction of I<sub>cs</sub>. Since the emission is negative and the device is PNP, flow line events are against the arrowhead direction. Of the current emitted at the collector, the emitter collects a fraction,  $\alpha_{I}$ , and the rest is lost to the base region. Since the emitter terminal is open, the  $\alpha_1$  fraction cannot leave the emitter but must be emitted back into the base region. In turn, the collector will collect its fraction,  $\alpha_N$ , and the difference is lost to the base region. The flow diagram is now complete since all flow lines terminate in regions conected externally. The external current is-

 $I = I_{CS} - \alpha_I \alpha_N I_{CS} = (1 - \alpha_I \alpha_N) I_{CS}.$  (7) By conventional definition, however,  $I = I_{CO}$ . Therefore—

$$I_{CS} = \frac{I_{CO}}{1 - \alpha_I \alpha_N}$$
, and similarly (8)

$$I_{ES} = \frac{I_{EO}}{1 - \alpha_{I} \alpha_{N}}, \text{ where}$$
(9)

 $I_{CO}$  = collector saturation current, emitter open, and  $I_{EO}$  = emitter saturation current, collector open. Hence, if  $I_{CO}$  = 5µa, and  $\alpha_I$  =  $\alpha_N$  = 0.95,

$$I_{CS} = \frac{5}{1 - (0.95)^2} \cong 50 \mu a,$$

and the previously mentioned point of confusion is resolved. In other words, even though the emitter is open, transistor action is still taking place. The net result is that the transistor action significantly reduces the saturation currents as "seen" externally.

The complete collector saturation current can be obtained by shorting the emitter to the base (Fig. 4). In this case the emitter cannot emit since its external potential is zero. Therefore all of its collected current goes out its terminal connection. Thus,—

$$I = I_{CS} = \frac{I_{CO}}{1 - \alpha_I \alpha_N}$$
(10)

as shown previously by Ebers and Moll.<sup>1</sup>

#### **Floating Potentials**

Floating potentials, as developed by N. W. Bell<sup>3</sup> can also be obtained by flow line analysis. Before proceeding, a very convenient relationship proved by Ebers and Moll<sup>1</sup> for restricted alphas will be added to the list of equations.

$$\alpha_{\rm I} I_{\rm CO} = \alpha_{\rm N} I_{\rm EO}$$
, and, hence, (11)

$$I_{\rm ICS} = \alpha_{\rm N} I_{\rm ES}.$$
 (12)

In addition, a particular reference symmetrical transistor (RST), operating at room temperature will be considered for use in numerical examples.

$$\alpha_{I} = \alpha_{N} = 0.95$$
, and  
 $I_{EO} = I_{CO} = 5\mu a$ .

The governing equations for the grounded-base "on" switch as

obtained from flows in Fig. 5, are, assuming  $V_E > > \frac{kT}{\alpha}$ 

$$I_{EX} = I_{ES} \epsilon^{qV_E/kT} = \text{emitter emission},$$
 (13)

 $\alpha_{\rm N} I_{\rm EX} + I_2 = I_{\rm CS} (\epsilon^{qV_{\rm C}/kT} - 1) = \text{collector emission}, (14)$ 

$$\mathbf{I}_1 = \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{EX}} (1 - \alpha_{\mathbf{I}} \alpha_{\mathbf{N}}) - \alpha_{\mathbf{I}} \mathbf{I}_2, \text{ and}$$
(15)

$$\mathbf{V}_2 = \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{C}}.\tag{16}$$

Solving the above equations and making free use of eqs. (8), (9), and (11)—

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Fig. 8: Grounded-emitter saturation current

Fig. 9: Emitter and collector tied together







Fig. 2: Pot checker measures resistance, function, hi-pot, and noise. Accuracy: mechanical,  $\pm2'$  of arc; electrical  $\pm.015\%$  of the full scale.

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Fig. 3: Automatic function tester measures impedance or voltage of components in circuits and does functional tests. Typical application: airborne radar power supply check.



Fig. 4 (above): The automatic cable harness checker is used chiefly for circuit testing chassis and cable harness.

Fig. 5 (right): Forty-eight test problems can be provided for analog computers by the semi-automatic test stand.





STARBOARD ELEVATION

# The Military Says That Marine Equipment is Over-Filtered

By JOHN J. O'NEIL, Chief, Suppression Systems Sec., Signal Corps Eng'g Labs., For Monmouth, N. J. JAN tests indicate that simpler methods of filtering can be just as efficient and considerably less expensive. Reviewed here are their findings and recommendations.

Included among the interference reduction responsibilities of the Signal Corps is the design and test of radio interference suppression sytsems for watercraft procured by the Transportation Corps. These craft range in size and type from an 18-foot Utility Boat to a 210foot Floating Repair Shop. Wood, Steel, and plastic hulls are used and as many as 67 devices capable of producing interference are installed



J. J. O'NEIL

for various functions aboard the boats. During the past four years, the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories have completed more than 100 separate investigations of design, development, application engineering and testing of suppression systems for various types of watercraft.

#### Suppression Specifications

During early suppression investigations of watercraft, SCEL noted that the contractors were not aware of the many engineering advances made in the art of interference reduction, but were applying costly suppression components. Consequently, based upon previous experience with other Army equipments, Military Specification MIL-S-13237 entitled "Suppression, Radio Interference, Requirements for Watercraft" which reflected these advances, was immediately prepared and referenced as the governing suppression document for all watercraft procurements.

The principal features of the specification include the following:

a. The reduction of interference over the frequency range of 0.15 MC to 1000.0 MC to a degree which assured optimum operation of all Army communication equipment.

b. Design of the watercraft to achieve the maximum interference reduction with a minimum of suppression measures.

c. An outline of a minimum suppression system consisting principally of the application of 0.1  $\mu$ f capacitors of the proper voltage rating at the brushes of the motors of the various equipments.

d. The availability of technical assistance and guidance by SCEL.

e. The requirement that capacitors be used unless tests definitely proved that filters were required to achieve the required interference reduction.

It is of interest to note that the grounding of the metallic sheath electrical wiring with which all craft are equipped, is ignored as a specification requirement. This was done purposely as it was believed that to insist on satisfactory r-f grounding for all cable shielding would be too expensive as well as unnecessary, except in specialized cases. Furthermore, where necessary, those cables which were radiating or reradiating interference could be grounded at the time of test.

#### Effectiveness of Capacitors

In practically all instances, the tests performed over the last four years proved that the application of by-pass capacitors (Fig. 3) to the many motor-driven equipments, attenuated radio interference to the levels specified in MIL-S-13237 and assured optimum use of all communication and electronic equipment operating in the frequency range of 0.15 to 1000.0 MC. In those rare instances where further interference reduction was necessary, the application of feed-thru type capacitors to items such as electric windshield wipers as shown in Fig. 2, furnished the required degree of noise reduction. These tests have also revealed that insofar as Army requirements were concerned, no serious attention to grounding of the metallic sheathing of the electrical wiring was necessary on either wooden or steel hull boats.

Costly brute force filtering has always been considered by interference reduction engineers a necessity for adequate interference reduction below 150 KC/sec. Consequently, when the use of by-pass and feed-thru type capacitors proved successful on Army watercraft, it raised the questions "How effective in practical application are such capacitors at frequencies lower than 150 KC? Would these capacitors furnish sufficient interference reduction, for example, at 14 KC/sec. which the Navy utilizes, or are filters always necessary at this frequency? Is power cable shielding really necessary or justifiable for interference reduction purposes?" In an effort to obtain the answers to these questions, JAN tests were recently conducted on an Army Patrol Boat. The purpose of these tests was to determine, by actual installation of standard Navy communication receivers covering the major portion of the frequency range of 14 KC to 400 MC, whether the type of radio interference suppression system used by the Army would be satisfactory for Navy use aboard a watercraft that was equipped with power cable shielding.

#### JAN Test

Arrangements were completed with the Transportation Research and Development Command, Fort Eustis, Virginia, for a 63 ft. wooden hull patrol boat on which the investigation was to be performed. This boat had been in service for approximately one year. It had been equipped, during its construction, with an Army suppression system. Standard power cable shielding, the grounding of which had been ignored as a suppression measure during the initial suppression investigation, was also existing.

A wooden hull watercraft was selected to assure maximum interference conditions as no shielding effect would be provided between the sources of interference and the test equipment antennas as would be the case with a steel hull watercraft. No inspection was conducted to determine if the suppression system designed for this type of craft had been properly applied or maintained.

Upon locating a site which was free of man-made interference, the Army test equipments and Navy communcition receivers were installed as shown in Fig. 1. It will be noted that 3 locations were used to assure that all possible interference would be recorded.

The Navy's standardized installation test procedure, which requires the use of an audio output meter at (Continued on page 12)





 $T^{\rm HE}$  measurement of high currents at frequencies much greater than 60 cps is complicated by inductance, stray magnetic fields, and by magnetic forces that tend to disassemble the device.

The radial shunt shown in Fig. 1, when used with an oscilloscope, measures currents having amplitudes of 100,000 amperes, a frequency range of from dc to 500,000 cps, and pulse lengths up to 0.001 second, with an average error of  $2\frac{1}{2}$ %. The accuracy of the measurements made with the device is well within the limits of experimental error.

The shunt is about 4 in. diameter,  $6\frac{5}{8}$  in. long, and weighs  $2\frac{1}{4}$  lb. From the cross section, Fig. 1, and the schematic diagram, Fig. 2, it can be seen that the shunt is essentially a noninductive device, since the current flow through the measuring element is at right angles to the field produced by the current supply.

Isolation of the shunt from regions of high field intensity is accomplished by attaching it to the end of a length of RG-19/U coaxial cable. To avoid measurement errors from voltages generated by ground loops, it is desirable to ground the circuit at one point only. A grounding lug on the shunt serves this purpose.

A skin-effect correction factor should be applied to measurements at frequencies higher than 100 cps. Fig. 3 shows the skin-effect correction factor, and also the phase angle, plotted against the frequency.

#### Skin-Effect Correction

 $I_{\rm ac}\,=\, total$  current flowing at frequency under consideration

 $I_{de}$  = total current flowing under d-c condition

 $V_{ac}$  = a-c voltage measured across shunt in x = t plane

- $V_{dc}$  = d-c voltage measured across shunt in x = t plane
- K = skin effect correction factor
- $i_{rx}$  = current density at any point r, x
- $i_{r0}$  = current density at point r in plane of x = 0
- $i_{2t}$  = current density at  $r = r_2$  in plane of x = t
- $i_{20}$  = current density at  $r = r_2$  in plane of x = 0
- $\mathbf{v}_{r\mathbf{x}}$  = radial voltage gradient at the point r in plane x

Radial Shunt Is Used For

# Measuring 100,000-Ampere Pulses

Large, high-frequency, short-pulse currents normally beyond the capabilities of a measuring instrument are measured to an average error of 21/2% with a noninductive radial shunt in conjunction with an oscilloscope.

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 $v_{rt}$  = radial voltage gradient at the point r in plane t

f = frequency in cycles per second

- $\mu$  = permeability of shunt material in henries per meter
- $\sigma$  = conductance of shunt material in mhos per meter

 $r_2 = major radius of shunt$ 

 $r_1 = minor radius of shunt$ 

 $\delta$  = skin depth in meters

Calibration of the shunt is accomplished with direct current. A constant,  $I_{dc}/V_{dc}$  is obtained. At a frequency other than 0, the calibration constant will be different from the d-c constant due to skin effect.

$$\begin{split} I_{ac}/V_{ac} &= K \ I_{dc}/V_{dc} \\ K &= I_{ac} \ V_{dc}/I_{dc} \ V_{ac} \end{split} \tag{1}$$

Current density at any point (r, x) can be expressed in terms of the current density at the point (r, 0).

 $\tau = 1 + j/\delta$ 

 $\delta = 1/(\pi f \mu \sigma)^{1/2}$ 

$$\mathbf{i}_{\mathbf{r}\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{i}_{\mathbf{r}\mathbf{0}} \,\mathrm{e}^{-\mathbf{r}\mathbf{x}} \tag{2}$$

(3)

(4)

and the skin depth

The total current flow for any value of r is:

$$\mathbf{I}_{\text{total}} = 2\pi \mathbf{r}_2 \int_{0}^{t} \mathbf{i}_{20} e^{-\tau \mathbf{x}} \, \mathrm{dx} \, \mathbf{i}_{20} 2\pi \mathbf{r}_2 / \tau \, (1 - e^{-\tau t})$$
(5)

The radial voltage gradient at any point is:

$$v_{rx} = i_{rx}/\sigma$$

And the plane x = t the radial voltage gradient is:

$$_{rt} = i_{rt}/2$$

From the geometry of the shunt element it can be said that:  $2\pi r_2 i_{2X} = 2\pi r i_r x$ 

And

$$i_{rx} = i_{2x} r_2/r$$

Then in the plane x = t:

$$i_{rt} = i_{2t} r_2/r$$

The radial voltage drop across the plane x = t is:

$$V_{t} = \int_{r_{1}}^{r_{2}} v_{rt} dr = \int_{r_{1}}^{r_{2}} \frac{i_{rt}}{\sigma} dr = \frac{i_{2t} r_{2}}{\sigma} \ln \frac{r_{2}}{r_{1}} \qquad (6)$$

And substituting Eq. (2) in the above:

$$\mathbf{V}_{t} = \frac{\mathbf{i}_{20} \, \mathrm{e}^{-\tau t}}{\sigma} \ln \frac{\mathbf{r}_{2}}{\mathbf{r}_{1}} \tag{7}$$

Referring to Eqs. (3) and (4):

When Then

f = 0, 
$$\delta$$
 =  $\infty$ , and  $\tau$  = 0.  
V<sub>t</sub>(dc) =  $\frac{i_{20}}{r} \ln \frac{r_2}{r}$ 

Substitution of the above in Eq. (5) shows that in the exponential form  $I_{total}$  becomes indeterminate for  $\tau = 0$ . Expanding the exponential portion of Eq. (5) in an exponential series:

$$\frac{1}{\tau} (1 - e^{\tau t^{-}}) = \frac{1}{\tau} \\ \left[ 1 - 1 + \tau t - \frac{2\tau t^{2}}{2} + \frac{\tau^{3} t^{3}}{6} - \frac{\tau^{4} t^{4}}{24} \cdot \cdot \cdot \right]$$
(8)

And substituting  $\tau = 0$  in the whole expression,

$$l_{dc} = i_{20} 2\pi r_2 t$$

From Eqs. (1), (5), (6), and (8), we can say that:

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$$K = \frac{\left[i_{20}2\pi r_2 \left(1 - e^{-\tau t}\right)\right] \left[\frac{i_{20}}{\sigma} \ln \frac{r_2}{r_1}\right]}{\tau \left[i_{20}2\pi r_2 t\right] \left[\frac{i_{20}e^{-\tau t}}{\sigma} \ln \frac{r_2}{r_1}\right]} = \frac{1 - e^{-\tau t}}{\tau t e^{-\tau t}}$$
$$K = \frac{1}{\tau t} \left(e^{\tau t} - 1\right) \tag{9}$$

In order to yield accurate results at low frequencies, this expression must be converted to the form of an exponential series.

$$K = 1 + \frac{\tau t}{2!} + \frac{(\tau t)^2}{3!} + \frac{(\tau t)^3}{4!} + \frac{(\tau t)^4}{5!} + \dots + \frac{(\tau t)^{n-1}}{n!}$$
(10)  
$$= \left[ 1 + \frac{t}{2\delta} - \frac{t^3}{12\delta^3} - \frac{t^4}{30\delta^4} - \frac{t^5}{180\delta^5} \cdots \right]$$
  
$$+ j \left[ \frac{t}{2\delta} + \frac{t^2}{3\delta^2} + \frac{t^3}{12\delta^3} - \frac{t^5}{180\delta^5} \cdots \right]$$
(11)

The last expression was obtained by substituting  $\tau = I + j/\delta$  from Eq. (3) into Eq. (10).

A graph of the magnitude and phase relationship of K is plotted in Fig. 3.

## Pulse Measurement (Continued)

#### Current Measurements

In an LCR circuit the current flowing at any time is:

$$I = (E/L\beta)e^{-\alpha t} \sin \beta t$$
where  $\alpha = R/2L$ , the decrement factor in second<sup>-1</sup>  
 $\beta = (1/2) [(4/LC) - (R/L)^2]^{1/2} = [(1/LC) - \alpha^2]^{1/2}$ 
= natural frequency in radians/second  
If  $\alpha^2 < < 1/LC$ , then  $\beta = 1/(LC)^{1/2}$  and  $L = 1/\beta^2C$  (12)

## From a photograph of a current waveform (Fig. 4), the following were determined:

Time of 1 cycle,  $\tau = 1.15 \times 10^{-4}$  second. The first peak occurring at  $t = \pi/2\beta$  was 3.2 cm high = A<sub>1</sub>. A second peak occurring at  $t = 3\pi/2B$  was 2.5 cm high = A<sub>2</sub>. The current at a peak is given by:

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{x}} &= \mathbf{A}_{n} \mathbf{K} = (\mathbf{E}/\mathbf{L}\beta) \ \mathbf{e}^{-\alpha t} \mathbf{n} \\ \mathbf{I}_{n+1} &= \mathbf{A}_{n+1} \mathbf{K} = (\mathbf{E}/\mathbf{L}\beta) \ \mathbf{e}^{-\alpha t} \mathbf{n} + 1 \end{split}$$

Solving:

$$\alpha = 1/(t_{n+1} - t_n) \ln (A_n/A_{n+1}) = (\beta/\pi) \ln (A_n/A_{n+1})$$
(13)  
$$\beta = 2\pi/\tau = \frac{2\pi \times 10^4}{2\pi} = 5.46 \times 10^4 \text{ radian/second}$$
(14)

From (13):  $\alpha = (5.46 \times 10^4/\pi) \ln (3.2/2.5) = 4.29 \times 10^3 \text{ sec}^{-1}$ 

From (12): C = 2.08  $\times$  10<sup>-4</sup> farad as measured.

L =  $1/\beta^2$ C =  $1/(5.46)^2 \times 10^8 \times 2.08 \times 10^{-4} = 1.61 \times 10^{-6}$ henry.

Peak current occurs at n = 1 where  $t = \pi/2\beta$ sin  $\beta t = \sin(\pi/2) = 1.0$ 

 $I_p = (E/L\beta) e^{-\alpha t} = 1.5 \times 10^4/1.61 \times 10^{-6} \times 5.46$ 

 $\times 10^4 e^{-4.29 \times 10^3} = 1.71 \times 10^5 e^{-0.123}$ = 1.52 × 10<sup>5</sup> amperes (15)

This may be considered as the theoretical current based upon calculations and the parameters of the system L, C, R, and E.

Direct-current calibration of the shunt in use gave a sensitivity of  $8.62 \times 10^3$  amperes per volt.

Skin depth  $\delta = 1/(\pi f \mu \sigma)^{1/2}$ 

From (14) f =  $\beta/2\pi$  = 5.46 × 10<sup>4</sup>/2 $\pi$  = 8.68 × 10<sup>3</sup>

 $\mu = 4\pi \times 10^{-7}$  henries/meter

 $\sigma = 9.25 \times 10^5$  mhos/meter

 $\delta = 1/(\pi \times 8.68 \times 10^3 \times 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 9.25 \times 10^5)^{1/2}$ = 5.64 × 10<sup>-3</sup> meter

Skin-Effect Correction (Eq. 11)

$$\begin{split} t &= 7.95 \times 10^{-4} \\ \delta &= 5.64 \times 10^{-3} \\ t/\delta &= 1.41 \times 10^{-1} = 0.141 \\ K &= [1 + 0.141/2 - (0.141)^{3/12} - (0.141)^{4/30}] \\ &+ j [0.141/2 + (0.141)^{2/3} + (0.141)^{3/12} - (0.141)^{5/180}] \\ &= 1.069 + 0.077j = |1.072| \end{split}$$

Peak measurement on oscilloscope was 3.2 cm; oscilloscope sensitivity, 5 volts/cm. Rearranging Eq. (1)

$$I_{ae} = K \frac{I_{de}}{V_{de}} V_{ae} = 1.072 \times 8.62 \times 10^3 \times 3.2 \times 5.0$$
  
= 1.48 × 10<sup>5</sup> amperes (16)

Error = (1.52 - 1.48)/1.52 = 2.6%

The figures given in Eqs. (15) and (16) are, coincidentally, closer than one would expect, considering the accuracy to which oscilloscope traces can be read. This demonstrates, however, that the radial current shunt can be used to measure currents and that it performs well within the limits of experimental error.

#### **Construction** Notes

Refer to Fig. 1. Remove the outer vinyl jacket of the RG-19/U coaxial cable for a distance of about 4 inches from the end of the cable. Remove the polyethylene insulation for a distance of about  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. from the end.

Slide the slotted end of Part A over the polyethylene insulation and under the outer braid. (Part A has 8 slots in its cylindrical end to facilitate the insertion operation and to assure good contact with the outer braid.)

Hard-solder Part B to the copper center conductor of the cable. When Part B has cooled, place copper screen, part C, over studs in Part B, and place copper screen, Part D, on the flanged portion of Part A, lining up the holes in the screen with those in the flange.

Fig. 4: 140,000 amp pulse; period about 110 µ.sec.



Place Part E over the studs in Part B, attach nuts to studs and tighten. Align outer holes in Parts A, D, and E; assemble bolts, lockwashers, and nuts in the outer holes of Parts A, D, and E, and tighten the nuts.

Tin the end of the No. 16 wire protruding from the center of Part E. Attach Part F to Part E with screws. Apply solder to center conductor of 83-1R connector. Place connector in position and melt solder by means of heat applied to center conductor of 83-1R connector from outside. Install screws to hold the 83-1R connector in place.

Stainless steel hose clamps are used to clamp the outer braid of the RG-19/U cable to Part A.

#### Calibration

The radial shunt is calibrated with a 1.5-volt, lead-acid storage cell, a known d-c shunt, and a millivoltmeter. The value of  $I_{dc}/V_{dc}$  (amperes per volt) is obtained by calculation. The ratio of  $I_{ac}/I_{dc}$  can be computed from the above ratio and from the skin-effect correction factor,  $K_1$ , read from the graph, Fig. 3, for any given frequency.

# Technical Sessions Highlight IRE Show

Particularly high level of interest will be focussed on this year's technical program. Latest developments in semiconductors, electronic controls and a compatible single-sideband system will be the highspots.

A comprehensive program of 55 technical sessions is expected to attract at least 50,000 Radio Engineers and Scientists. Thirty-three sessions are scheduled for the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel and 22 will be held at the Coliseum. Approximately 250 papers will be presented at these sessions.

One of the opening sessions on Monday afternoon will discuss how pilot errors on jet aircraft may be reduced. The application of human engineering principles to electronics controls has resulted in vastly improved performance and corresponding error reduction. A paper titled "The New Look In Electronic Controls" by R. J. Meyer of Collins Radio Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa, explains these thoughts fully. Also on Monday a paper titled "A New Semi-Conducter Device," by C. A. Aldridge, General Electric Co., Syracuse, N. Y., will discuss how significant circuit economies are achieved with a new semiconducter amplifying device that will be introduced. The mechanical and electrical characteristics will be described fully at this session.

The ratio of assigned channel bandwidths to intelligence bandwidths has been gradually reduced from about 60:1 to 10:1 in the past 10 years. The question arises will equipment manufacturers 10 years hence approach a ratio of 1:1? "How Far Can We Go In Narrowing Channels in the Land Mobile Radio Services?" by C. B. Plummer. FCC, Washington, D. C., answers these questions.

"Single-Sideband Broadcast Developments," being presented by L. Kahn, Kahn Research Lab., Freeport, N. Y., will be of great interest to broadcasters. This paper describes a new system which will permit a greater number of broadcast channels. The transmitter will only require an adapter while home receivers do not necessitate any change.

Management is a most important factor in security analysis. Who is behind a balance sheet is usually more important than what. The quality of a company's management is reflected in the price of its securities. A paper being presented Tuesday morning titled "Finance: Wall Street Looks at Engineering Management," by O. C. Roehl, Keystone Custodian Funds, Boston, Mass., covers this area of management thoroughly.

Aircraft and telemetering designers should find great interest in the paper "High Altitude Breakdown Phenomena" being presented by J. Ashwell, E. B. Cole, A. Pratt, and D. Sartorio, all of the Glenn L. Martin Co., Baltimore, Md., on Tuesday morning. Breakdown problems associated with the operation of antennas at high altitude and high speeds will be the focal point of this discussion.

The cry, "Make it smallermake it lighter," has been ringing in the radio electronics engineer's ears since before World War I. It seems that the more he accomplishes along this line the louder and more insistant the cry becomes. Added to this cry is the modifier, "but make it more reliable." A session titled "Micro-

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# IRE's 1957 Fellows Predict . . .

Exclusive statements from the nation's leading electronic engineers summarize the future for the electronic industries.

#### ACOUSTICS

Laurence Batchelder, Raytheon Mfg. Co.—"... Sonar remains the primary means of depth sounding and the indispensable means of detecting submarines. By intensive effort, detection ranges are increasing to meet the threat of improved submarines, and this progress must continue despite the difficulties of accoustic propagation in the ocean."





L. Batchelder

D. W. Martin

D. W. Martin, The Baldwin Piano Co. —"Before World War II an eminent scientist advised, 'Acoustics as a field of research is dead'. However, just as in other branches of science and technology, new knowledge has raised new questions in acoustics—particularly in voice communication, recording and reproduction, electroacoustic transducers, musical acoustics, and noise control. As long as there are receptive listeners and creative producers of new and better sounds, there will be new horizons of research and engineering in this steadily expanding field"

#### AIR NAVIGATION

Dr. Carl A. Frische, Sperry Gyroscope —"Problems of air traffic control, inertial navigation, missiles, radar and radio devices and industrial automation dictate that progress be made more rapidly in all facets of electronics. From improved components, such as semi-conductor d e v i c e s, to increased efficiencies in the management of large weapon systems programs, our industry has plenty of challenges to meet all along the line."





C. A. Frische

M. H. Schrenk

M. H. Schrenk, Dept. of the Navy— "The state of development of solid state devices and associated circuitry offers the possibility of designing computers and automatic control devices of small size and weight having small power requirements and high reliability. Their use in aircraft and on the ground in applying modern techniques of storage and processing of flight information will permit more nearly optimum flight paths and more precise traffic control and materially reduce the increasing burden imposed on air crews and traffic controllers by high speed high density air traffic."

Paul G. Hansel, Servo Corp. of America—"In the area of air navigation we will see many devices and systems now regarded as competitive, integrated into an overall system in which these devices have complementary rather than competitive roles. Ground-based direction finders will be improved radically in sensitivity, accuracy, speed of operation and reliability and will ultimately have great importance in such cooperative techniques as terminal area navigation and traffic control, meteorological balloon tracking and rescue operations.



P. G. Hansel



G. F. Wolcott

G. Frederick Wolcott, Gilfillan Bros., Inc.—"... the density of air traffic is increasing at a very rapid rate. I see the use of color phosphors in radar display tubes as a potent means of quickly and positively distinguishing various types of targets by color identification."

Leslie E. Flory, RCA Laboratories.--"Really mass application of television to everyday problems has awaited simple low-cost equipment. Transistorized circuits with miniature pickup tubes may provide the answer. Electronics in medicine has a particularly promising future. Nowhere in our field are the problems more challenging or their solution more rewarding."



L. E. Flory

J. Hillier

#### COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

Dr. James Hillier, RCA Laboratories —"The electron microscope has so fully achieved its place in science today that we accept as a matter of course the delivery of a score or more each month for various research tasks in the fields of chemistry, metallurgy and biology. Looking into the future, we can anticipate the further simplification rather than radical improvements of the microscope, as well as the development and application of other devices employing many of its principles. Among these will be novel electronic probing instruments to detect and measure phenomena in the submicroscopic range, leading us to greater understanding of the atomic and chemical structures of microscopic particles."

James C. W. Scott, Defence Research Board, Canada—"In the coming years research into radio propagation will be increasingly concerned with atmospheric phenomena which are at present only of marginal importance for practical communications and radar systems. Consequently increasing emphasis must be placed, not only on measuring and understanding such phenomena as cosmic and solar noise, meteor and auroral scatter and special modes of propagation but also on using these phenomena to our advantage"





J. C. W. Scott

R. A. Sykes

R. A. Sykes, Bell Telephone Laboratories—"Recent advances in the development of high frequency plated crystal units having substantially a single resonance will play an important part in the future of radio communication. This will allow present crystal filter theory to be applied to the design of very selective filters in the frequency range from 5 to 20 megacycles resulting in only a single step of conversion for the VHF and UHF regions. The increased precision and stability of quartz crystal units will permit even single sideband transmission at these frequencies."

Ernest H. Schreiber, Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co.—"An extensive network of monochrome and color TV, teletype-writer, integrated data, telephotograph, facsimile and other channels are in daily use over the entire nation. These facilities range from the older voice frequency open wire and cable conductors to many of the newer systems which include coaxial cables and broad band microwave systems which can handle literally thousands of individual message channels. With the development and growth of these new communications systems and those foreseeable in the next decade telephone companies will be in an excellent position to continue to meet the increasing demands of industry."



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E. H. Schreiber

G. S. Turner

George S. Turner, F.C.C.—"The F.C.C. is now sponsoring Cooperative Interference Committees which bring together the many radio services within a community in the form of "User Committees" whose purpose it is to help each other in the prompt detection and elimination of routine interference. A year's operation has already proven the effectiveness of the idea. The next step is to extend the plan nationwide."

S. G. L. Horner, Hudson's Bay Co.— "The Canadian North is going through one of the greatest development stages in its history, due to the intense search for minerals, iron ore, uranium, copper, etc Hand in hand with these great developments goes radio communication and over the next five years the Northern part of this continent will become a network of communication systems ranging from Microwave and "Scatter Systems" to auxiliary systems using SSB in the VHF and HF frequency spectrums."





S. G. L. Horner



#### BROADCAST

Dr. R. E. Samuelson, Motorola, Inc.— "Our high speed age is requiring us to communicate information using the narrowest share of the spectrum and the least amount of time. I foresee greatly increased use of SSB and other narrow-band techniques for VHF and UHF communications. This is particularly true in the case of military and civil aviation where I further expect to see such improved voice communication methods supplemented by automatic data links."

#### COMPUTERS

**R. M. Ryder, Bell Telephone Labora**tories — "The electronic revolution, foreshadowed by the invention of transistors, is now well underway both in transmission of information, in development of new knowledge through electronic computation, and in use of information to control machine operations. We look forward to the day when all routine operations in manufacturing will be taken care of by automatic equipment of high reliability. People will be freed of deadening drudgery and will be able to have a better standard of living since automatic manufacture is both better and cheaper. No end is in sight to the opportunities for people with high skills and capabilities."



R. M. Ryder

E. Mittlemann

Eugene Mittelmann, Consulting Engineer—"The future machine shop will see perhaps as a routine matter, electronic units which will correctly prescribe the proper sequence of operations, carry out these operations with maximum accuracy, check the final product and even classify the rejects into salvagable groups One of the by-products of electronically programmed and operated machine tools will be perhaps the universal replacement of the fractional system by the decimal system, thus saving additional thousands and thousands of engineering man-hours for more useful purposes."

Dr. John W. Mauchly, Remington Rand Univac—"The field of applications for digital computers should expand rapidly for many years to come for at least two basic reasons. First, new components and manufacturing economies are bound to reduce the cost of using such equipment, and make very profitable many applications which cannot today find economic justification. Second, and just as important, will be the effect of improved techniques of programming and the exploration and development of new procedures and methods for the application of such devices to fields not presently regarded as falling within the scope of automatic data processing."



J. W. Mauchly

H. R. Hegbar

Dr. H. R. Hegbar, Goodyear Aircraft —"The explosive growth of electronics will project the analog computer into a new growth pattern embracing, on the surface, paradoxical features —(1) simpler operation, (2) more

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complex applications, and (3) smaller size. The combination of digital and analog techniques, along with new circuit elements, will reduce the size of the installations and at the same time broaden the fields of applications. The future will see the operator's tasks simplified by completely automatic insertion of prepared. "packaged" problem statements, and automatic readout of the problem setup for checking and record storage."

Burgess Dempster, Electronic Engineering Co.—"One of the most urgent and difficult problems is to find how to adapt developments in the data handling field to industrial applications. If we can find how to do an effective job of applying our knowledge of data handling to commercial uses, we can look forward to industrial electronics soon becoming as large a part of our electronics industry as entertainment or military."





**B.** Dempster

F. C. Williams

Dr. F. C. Williams, Manchester University, England—"I am currently concerned with the development of brushless variable speed induction motors, and I foresee a considerable future for them since they combine the ruggedness and simplicity of the squirrel cage motor with the variable speed features which have hitherto only been obtainable by using either commutators or sliprings."

#### COMPONENTS

Jesse Marsten, International Resistance Co.—"Major advances will result from research and development leading to new and improved materials. In the next few years, maximum effort will be directed towards a search for new resistor and dielectric materials. Bulk metals used as resistor materials will gradually and partly be replaced by films of one kind or another. New dielectric materials will enable resistors to be operated at much higher temperatures and humidities."



J. Marsten

L. Podolsky

Leon Podolsky, Sprague Electric Co. —"... basic research on materials in the solid state, on ultra pure metals, and on vacuum refining methods will open new fields for revolutionary components both in performance and in ability to meet severe environments. These components will in many cases be far different in structure and function from the present lumped constant items with which we are familiar today."

#### **ELECTRON DEVICES**

G. Ross Kilgore, Signal Corp.—"I look forward to more and more breakthrough in the electron device area, which inevitably will expand all of electronics. With use of solid state devices just starting, even now research in atomic and molecular resonance is forecasting a new era in frequency stabilization and microwave receiver sensitivity"



G. R. Kilgore

J. O. McNally

J. O. McNally, Bell Telephone Labs.— "Reliability in electronic equipment will be more important in the future, and the job of developing, producing and applying electron tubes to obtain long life and high operating reliability has hardly been started. Future work in this direction might remove a very large percentage of tubes used from the lists of expendable items."

A. K. Wing, Jr., Federal Telecommunication Laboratories — "During the past two decades intensive work has been carried on in the electron tube field. I anticipate that this level of activity will be increased in the years just ahead, particularly on special devices for handling and processing large quantities of information for various purposes. These new devices will be designed to perform a wide variety of operations which will push out the boundaries of what can now be accomplished by electronic systems."



A. K. Wing

W. T. Born

#### MAGNETIC TAPE

W. T. Born, Geophysical Research Corp.—"The recent application of magnetic tape recording to the techniques of geophysical prospecting is giving great impetus to experimentation looking toward new and improved methods of data processing and interpretation. The availability of original data in easily produceable form makes possible many investigations which were previously impossible or impractical. Although I do not expect any revolutionary developments, it seems certain that work now going on will lead to much more effective use of existing field techniques."

#### MICROWAVE

Leland E. Thompson, Engineering Products Div.—"Developments in microwave communication, using both line-of-sight and scatter propagation, will play an increasingly important part in supplying the ever-growing need for communication."



L. E. Thompson

L. D. Smullin

L. D. Smullin, M.I.T.—"I believe that the next few years will see marked increases in the operating efficiencies of high power microwave tubes. With the generation of 10's and 100's of kilowatts of average power, efficiencies of 20-30 per cent are no longer tolerable, and even 50 per cent seems too low "In the low-noise field, we still have to learn what limits the theoretical noise figure of traveling wave tubes We now know how to get the lowests noise figure from a given beam. The next problem is to learn how to reduce noise injected into the beam."

Dr. Georg Goubau, Signal Corps.— "The Surface Wave Transmission Line (nick-named "G-String") is presently applied in the commercial field in lieu of coaxial cable in community TV systems The trend to UHF television will soon extend the range of applications to TV transmitter and receiver antenna installations I believe that the time will come when this line will be used to transmit television to moving trains"



J. D. O'Connell

W. S. Hinman

much needs to be done, and there are many opportunities for exceptional contributions and inventions."

#### **NETWORK THEORY**

Sidney Darlington, Bell Labs.—". . . there are still many unsolved problems in network theory, the solution of which will facilitate further developments. Currently, the trend appears to be toward design techniques which apply to more general circuit components and configurations. The object is to arrive at an ever closer correspondence between theoretical results and practical needs."



S. Darlington

H. Q. North

#### SEMICONDUCTORS

Harper Q. North, Pacific Semiconductors — "Such familiar semiconductor devices as the copper oxide and selenium rectifier for power applications are being outstripped in performance by newer gemanium and silicon devices Estimates of the national market for semiconductor devices in 1965 center around \$500,000,000, while those for 1975 range between 1 billion and 1.5 billion dollars These figures, large as they are, ignore solar cells, infrared detectors, microwave amplifiers such as the solid state maser, and a wealth of probable devices not yet invented. In short, the field of solid state electronics is coming into its own and shows every evidence of becoming one of the most important, if not the most important branch of the electronic component industry."

James E. Keister, General Electric Co.— "Although the semiconductor infant has barely been born, its future is breath-taking The diode, rectifier, and transistor are in the first glimmerings of its potential. Understanding and exploitation of its small size, low power consumption, indefinite life, and unique characteristics will change the whole complexion of the electronics field. Equipments and appliances will occupy volumes and consume powers in the order of 1/100 or less of their tube counterparts and new applications not feasible or practical before will become commonplace. Just as the electron tube gave us the 12-billion dollar electronics industry, so the semiconductor may give us another such industry."



J. E. Keister

T. H. Kinman

T. H. Kinman, British Thomson-Houston Co.—"After more than fifty years of constant change it is reasonable to expect that the technique of power conversion will soon be stabilized by using the unique properties of semiconductors which, apart from their greater conversion efficiency, are inherently more stable and adaptable than older devices to a wide field of application. This process of conversion is already under way and will reach full flood in the coming years."

L. G. Abraham, Bell Labs.—"As I see it, the greatest changes in radio systems of the future will be due to the general introduction of solid state devices, including the maser. Size, reliability, power requirements and complexity should be greatly improved. Data transmission in various forms for defense purposes, and for many general business uses, should expand tremendously in the next few years. Some of this will be over considerable distances."



L. G. Abraham

W. J. Morlock

#### TELEVISION

William J. Morlock, General Electric Co.—"The application of closed circuit industrial television will change the methods and procedures of industrial

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W. A. Edson

W A. Edson General Electric Co.— "The MASER opened the door to an entirely new area of microwave generation and amplification. Recent work indicates that the same general results may be obtained from solid state devices. I believe the development of this new class of microwave devices substitutes one of the exciting and important trends in the electronic industry."

#### MILITARY

Maj. Gen. J. D. O'Connell, U. S. Army —"In the future the overall combat capability of the United States Army will more and more depend upon the effectiveness of its communication and electronic systems. These systems for gathering information and disseminating decisions are needed to develop maximum results from the Army's increased firepower and mobility. Our present capability for reliable and flexible means of command control must be greatly increased. This will be done as rapidly as scientific advances in communication and electronics permit."

W. S. Hinman, Jr., Diamond Ordnance Fuze Laboratories—"The advent of electronics in ordnance ammunition, first in proximity fuzes, and then in guided missiles, increased weapon performance by adding intelligence in the missile to the intelligence at the firing line. It is a new specialization in electronics. As in all new fields,







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#### 1-Panoramic Radio Products, Inc.

Specifically designed for telemetering applications, the TMC-307 sequentially furnishes 7 equally spaced frequencies/channel.

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A complete line of special purpose tubes including the reliable subminiature tubes which are widely used in guided missile. Booth 2611.

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PT 501,  $\frac{1}{2}$  w. nominal rating, and PT 1001, 1 w. nominal rating, are usable to ambient temperatures of at least 400°C. Booth 3938.

#### 4-Microdot, Inc.

Two new miniature coaxial plugs, 32-66 and 32-68, were designed for the new all "Teflon" RG-195/U miniature coax, of .155 in.

#### 5-Norden-Ketay Corp.

A new binary coded decimal analog digital converter. Using the 1, 2, 4, 8 pattern, output is presented in parallel form on 12 terminals.

#### 6-Precision Scientific Co.

A new Thelco Model 18 Mechanical Convection Oven will be displayed. This cabinet has been completely redesigned. Booth 1521.

#### 7—Key Electric Corp.

Model 101 Digital Magnetic-Tape Handler will feature a new magnetic head making available 10 tracks on ½-inch tape. Booth 1730.

#### 8-Syntorque, Inc.

Four distinctive motor types for servos: hysteresis and induction motors; ac permanent magnet and sine wave generators. Booth 4415.

#### 9—Rotron Mfg. Co.

DFE dual frequency fan operates on either a ground 50-60 cps power supply or the 320 to 1000 cps encountered on aircraft. Booth 2234.

#### 10-American Machine & Foundry Co.

The new "PFM" meters consist of a 3-in. D'Arsnoval galvanometer and a case containing potted circuit components. Booth 1506.

#### 11-Collins Radio Co.

Entire exhibit will be devoted to SSB developmental achievements. Displayed will be the SC-101 Station Control for SSB service.

#### 12—Gates Radio Co.

The MO-3815 totalizer is a precision unit used to record the time a signal is at or above a pre-selected value. Booth 1302.

#### 13—GE Electronic Components Div.

A new sub-miniature, solid electrolyte 95 v. battery which has a projected shelf life of over 20 years. Booth 2904.

#### 14-Phaostron Instr. & Electronic Co.

New core magnet design assures good linearity for  $100^{\circ}$  of scale arc. Simplified design provides many structural advantages. Booth 3116.

#### 15-Industrial Instruments, Inc.

A new line of type PG Voltage Breakdown Testers. These units range in output from 3 KV to 30 KV with output capacity of 5 KVA.

#### 16-Branson Ultrasonic Corp.

Exactly 10 ft. long, this ultrasonic cleaning tank will be a production item. The stainless steel tank is 9 in. wide x 18 in. deep.

#### 17—Artos Engineering Co.

CS-6 Machine measures, cuts, strips, and marks wire leads automatically in 1 operation at speeds up to 3000 finished pieces/hr.

#### 18—Hamner Electronics Co., Inc.

A complete Gamma Ray Scintillation Spectrometer. Also included in the exhibit will be a line of regulated power supplies and chassis.

#### 19-G. Felsenthal & Sons, Inc.

Edge-lighted control panels are featured similar to those used in the SAGE project. Acrylic plastic will transmit light most efficiently.

#### 20-Balco Research Labs.

Metallized teflon capacitors have miniature dimensions and give exceptional performance at  $200^{\circ}$  C without derating. Booth 2123.

#### 21—Gardner-Denver Co.

The 14E Component "Wire-Wrap" Machine has 2 laterally adjustable wrapping tools mounted side by side. Booth 4126.

#### 22-Craig Systems, Inc.

The HELICOP-HUT accommodates countless equipment layouts. A wall of displayed radio relay station will be plexiglas. Booth 1325.

#### 23—Assembly Products, Inc.

A three-position controller offers certain advantages previously unattainable with controls incorporating contact meter-relays.

#### 24-G. M. Giannini & Co., Inc.

A high temperature, infinite-resolution potentiometer has been added to the line of slidewire type precision potentiometers.

#### 25—Cubic Corporation

Model 504 Transistor Curve Tracer presents parameters as a single curve or a simultaneous presentation of a family. Booth 1723.

#### 26—Radio Frequency Laboratories, Inc.

Model 1051 C-R-A-M Unit provides a precise frequency standard at modest cost for laboratory, communications or production line use.

#### 27—LEL, Inc.

Embodying crystal band pass filters and a discriminator, this new i-f amplifier provides extreme skirt selectivity. Booth 2108.

#### 28—Eclipse-Pioneer.

Size 10 and 15 precision induction generators and size 23 generators will be shown. Particularly adaptable as computer components.



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# **#39—Transistor Formulas**

#### By PAUL PENFIELD JR., Consulting Engineer, 752 Lakeside, Birmingham, Mich.

#### (Fig. 1)

$$\begin{split} R_{IN} &= e_{1}/i_{1} \\ R_{0UT} &= e_{2}/i_{2} \text{ when output is excited,} \\ & \text{input dead} \\ A_{v} &= e_{2}/e_{1} \\ A_{i} &= i_{2}/i_{1} \\ g_{s} &= i_{2}/v \\ G &= e_{2}i_{2}/e_{1}i_{1} = A_{v}A_{i} \\ G_{t} &= e_{2}i_{2} + 4R_{g}/v^{2} = 4(g_{s})^{2}R_{g}R_{L} \end{split}$$

#### (Figs. 2, 3, and 4)

 $\begin{aligned} \mathbf{e}_{\mathrm{be}} &= \mathbf{h}_{11} \mathbf{i}_{\mathrm{e}} + \mathbf{h}_{12} \mathbf{e}_{\mathrm{be}} = \mathbf{r}_{\mathrm{b}} \mathbf{i}_{\mathrm{e}} + \mu \mathbf{e}_{\mathrm{be}} \\ \mathbf{i}_{\mathrm{e}} &= \mathbf{h}_{21} \mathbf{i}_{\mathrm{e}} + \mathbf{h}_{22} \mathbf{e}_{\mathrm{be}} = -\alpha \mathbf{i}_{\mathrm{e}} + \mathbf{y}_{\mathrm{e}} \mathbf{e}_{\mathrm{be}} \\ \beta &= \alpha / (1 - \alpha) \end{aligned}$ 

Low - frequency small-signal transistor amplifier formulas are tabulated, using 2 popular parameter sets, defined by their equivalent circuits, Figs. 3 and 4. The h-parameters are easily measured; the other set has an intuitive appeal. To relate the 2 sets, use the conversion formulas. The approximations  $r_e + r_b << r_e (1 - a)$  or  $y_{e}r_b + \mu \alpha << (1 - \alpha)$ 

were made in all formulas. System transconductance  $g_s$ , useful for input stages, is the ratio of output current to source voltage. Power gain G is the ratio of out-

put power to input power; transducer gain  $G_t$  is the ratio of output power to available source power.

#### **Parameter Set Relations**

- $\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r_h} &= \mathbf{r_e} + \mathbf{r_b} (1 \mathbf{a}) \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} &= \mathbf{r_b}/\mathbf{r_e} \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha} &= \mathbf{a} \\ \mathbf{y_e} &= 1/\mathbf{r_e} \\ \boldsymbol{\beta} &= \mathbf{a}/(1 \mathbf{a}) \end{aligned}$
- $\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r}_{e} &= 1/\mathbf{y}_{e} \\ \mathbf{r}_{h} &= \boldsymbol{\mu}/\mathbf{y}_{e} \\ \mathbf{a} &= \boldsymbol{\alpha} &= \boldsymbol{\beta}/(1+\boldsymbol{\beta}) \\ \mathbf{r}_{e} &= \mathbf{r}_{h} (1-\boldsymbol{\alpha})\boldsymbol{\mu}/\mathbf{y}_{e} \end{aligned}$

(Fig. 1)	Eotebe ebe (Fig. 2)	$\frac{ie}{r_h} + \frac{i}{y_c} \alpha ie$	Eo re re rb B (Fig. 4)	•
Common-Emitte	er	Common-Base	Common-Collector	

$R_{1N}$	$r_h(1+\beta)(1+R_Ly_c)+R_L\beta\mu$	$r_{\rm h} + \frac{\alpha \mu R_{\rm L}}{1 + R_{\rm LV_c}}$	$(1+\beta)(\mathbf{r}_{\rm h}+\mathbf{R}_{\rm L})$
	$1 + R_{Ly_c}(1+\beta)$	$1 + R_{Ly_c}$	$1 + R_{Ly_c}(1+\beta)$
Rout	$r_{\rm h}(1+\beta) + R_{\rm g}$	1	$r_{h}(1+\beta)+R_{g}$
	$y_e(1+\beta)(r_h+R_g)+\mu\beta$	$\overline{y_{c}+lpha\mu/(R_{g}+r_{h})}$	$(1+\beta)(1+R_{gy_c})$
Av	$-\beta R_L$	$lpha  m R_L$	$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{L}}$
	$r_{h}(1+\beta)(1+R_{L}y_{c})+R_{L}\beta\mu$	$r_h + R_L(y_c r_h + \alpha \mu)$	$R_L + r_h$
$A_i$	β	$-\alpha$	$(1+\beta)$
	$\frac{\beta}{1 + R_{LYe}(1+\beta)}$	$1 + R_{Ly_c}$	$\frac{1 + R_{L} y_{e}(1 + \beta)}{1 + R_{L} y_{e}(1 + \beta)}$
~	β	$-\alpha$	$-(1+\beta)$
g,	$(\mathbf{r}_{\mathrm{h}}+\mathbf{R}_{\mathrm{g}})[1+\mathbf{R}_{\mathrm{LVe}}(1+\beta)]+\mathbf{r}_{\mathrm{h}}\beta+\mathbf{R}_{\mathrm{L}}\mu\beta$	$r_h + R_g(1 + R_L y_c) + R_L(y_c r_h + \mu \alpha)$	$\overline{\mathbf{r}_{h}(1+\beta) + \mathbf{R}_{g} + \mathbf{R}_{L}(1+\beta)(1+\mathbf{R}_{g}\mathbf{y}_{c})}$
$R_{IN}$	$r_{b} + r_{e} \left[ \frac{r_{e} + R_{L}}{r_{e}(1-a) + R_{L}} \right]$	$r_{e} + r_{b} \cdot \left[ \frac{R_{L} + r_{e}(1 - a)}{R_{L} + r_{o}} \right]$	$\frac{\mathbf{r_e} + \mathbf{r_b}(1-\mathbf{a}) + \mathbf{R_L}}{1-\mathbf{a} + (\mathbf{R_L}/\mathbf{r_e})}$
Rout	$r_{e}\left[1-a\frac{r_{b}+R_{g}}{r_{e}+r_{b}+R_{g}}\right]$	$\mathbf{r_{c}} \cdot \left[1 - \frac{\mathbf{ar_{b}}}{\mathbf{R_{g}} + \mathbf{r_{e}} + \mathbf{r_{b}}}\right]$	$\frac{r_{e}}{r_{e}+R_{g}} [r_{e}+(r_{b}+R_{g})(1-a)]$
Av	$\frac{-aR_Lr_c}{(R_L+r_c)(r_o+r_b)-ar_cr_b}$	$\frac{aR_{L}}{r_{e}+r_{b}(1-a)+(r_{e}+r_{b})(R_{L}/r_{e})}$	$\frac{R_{L}}{R_{L}+r_{c}+r_{b}(1-a)}$
A٠	tì.	a	-1
	$1-a+(R_L/r_c)$	$1 + (R_L/r_c)$	$1 - a + (R_L/r_c)$
g.	arc	ar_c	-1
8e	$(R_L+r_c)(r_e+r_b+R_g)-ar_c(r_b+R_g)$	$(r_e+r_b+R_g)(r_e+R_L)-ar_er_b$	$r_{e}+r_{b}(1-a)+R_{L}+R_{g}[1-a+(R_{L}/r_{c})]$

# How Tubes Are Named

Centralized agency (JETEC) ensures that tubes are designated in a precise pattern, and that all manufacturers meet the specifications described for the tube.

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Although most people are familiar with the fact that electron devices<sup>1</sup> can be "identified" by type designations, we often get inquiries as to how these designations are assigned, or who handles these assignments, or, in general, what constitutes this phase of the standardization program both in the United States and the rest of the world.

Before going into the mechanics of the type designations systems, it would be well to mention the standardizing organizations concerned.

RETMA, the Radio-Electronics-Television Manufacturers Association, is a national trade association which represents all major manufacturing segments of the electronics industry.

NEMA, the National Electrical Manufacturers Association, is the counterpart of RETMA as a national trade association of electrical manufacturing companies.

In 1944, RETMA and NEMA established the Joint Electron Tube Engineering Council to serve the electron tube industry. JETEC is composed of Product Committees (i.e. receiving tubes, cathode ray tubes, transmitting tubes, semiconductors, etc.) and Service Committees (i.e. mechanical standardization, type designations, packaging, etc.). The activities of these Committees are coordinated by the JETEC

Council, which is comprised of top-level representatives from the tube industry.

#### Administration

The type designation systems are administered by the RETMA Engineering Office on behalf of JETEC. In making type assignments, the administrator has 4 RETMA-NEMA Standards to work with:

- 1. Designation System for Receiving Tubes (Primarily for Home Entertainment)-RETMA Standard ET-110A, NEMA Publication No. 506A.
- 2. Tube Type Designations-(Principally for Industrial Applications-5500 Series)-RETMA Standard ET-108A, NEMA Publication No. 504-A.
- 3. Designation System for Cathode Ray Tubes-**RETMA Standard ET-111A, NEMA Publication** No. 507-A.
- 4. Designation System for Solid-State Devices-**RETMA Standard ET-115, NEMA Publication** No. 512.

In addition to these standards, the various JETEC Product Committees, along with the Committee on Type Designations, have formulated rules for the use of the type administrator.

In order to follow the mechanics of type assignments, let us examine the steps both the manufacturer and the type administrator take in the process. Any manufacturer of an electron device, whether a member of the standardizing associations or not, may request a designation for a developmental type.

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#### How Tubes Are Named (Continued)

This request must be in writing and accompanied by sufficient data, both mechanical and electrical, to enable the administrator to adequately search the records to determine the uniqueness of the device.

#### Type Designation

On receipt of a request for a type in the Home Entertainment Series, an arbitrary number is assigned to conform to the RETMA-NEMA (JETEC) Standard. This standard states that the type designation shall consist of (1) a first number symbol; (2) a first letter symbol; (3) a second number symbol; and, (4) one or more suffix letters as required. Therefore, looking at the submitted data we may find that the type has a filament or heater voltage of 6.3 v. This establishes the first number symbol as "6," since the standard lists the first number symbol as being an integer "n" where n is in excess of (n-0.4) and up to and including (n + 0.6). Skipping over the first letter symbol, we assign a second number symbol which is determined by the number of useful elements for which terminals are provided. Now say the device is a diode-pentode with terminals provided for:

- 1. Diode Plate
- 2. Diode Cathode
- 3. Pentode Plate
- 4. Pentode Grid #3 and Cathode
- 5. Pentode Grid #2
- 6. Pentode Grid #1
- 7. Heater (both terminals)

Even though the tube may be a 9-pin miniature with either 2 pins listed as "no connection" or having multiple terminals of any of those listed, the second number symbol "7" is assigned. So we have our tentative type designation of 6—7. On comparing the mechanical and electrical data of 6—7 with all other diode-pentodes listed in this category, we determine the uniqueness of the device. If it is sufficiently different, we fill in the blanks with the first letter symbol and now may have 6BV7. The "BV" is assigned in sequence starting with single letter "A" and progressing through single and then double letter combinations, except that the letters "I," "O" and "P" are not used, nor are identical double letters used.

We may find that the type designation request is for a variation of an existing type. In this instance, if the new type can be used as a direct replacement for the existing type, a suffix letter "A, B, C, D, E, or F" is assigned. Thus we have a 6CB5A which is the equivalent of the 6CB5 but for overall length, or the 6DQ6A which has higher maximum ratings than the 6DQ6, or the 6AN8A which features controlled heater warm-up time that is not a part of the 6AN8 data.

Type designation requests for devices covered by the three remaining standards are handled in a similar manner. For tubes "Principally for Industrial Applications," the designation will consist of a pure numeric starting with "5500" and is assigned consecutively and chronologically in the order of type requests. The 5500 Series, while designated as types "Principally for Industrial Applications," covers a wide variety of electron devices. We find ruggedized receiving tubes, magnetrons, klystrons, traveling wave tubes, thyratrons, storage tubes, phototubes, and miscellaneous types, that for some reason or other do not fit into the Receiving Tube for Home Entertainment category. As was indicated, assignments of type numbers in the 5500 Series are made as the requests are received, in chronological order. Thus we may have 6500 as a traveling wave tube, 6501 may be a hydrogen thyratron, while 6502 may be a magnetron.

#### Cathode Ray Tubes

For Cathode Ray Tubes, the designation consists of three groups of symbols, such as assigned to the Home Entertainment Types, except for CRT the first symbol number shall be a measurement in inches, of the largest bulb diameter. The second symbol is a letter or letters, other than I, O, P, or combinations of identical letters, to distinguish those types having the same bulb diameter. The third symbol consists of the letter "P" and a number to designate the screen characteristics. Thus our type assignment may be 17AVP4, which would indicate a tube having a 17 inch diagonal dimension and a "P4" type phosphor on its screen.

At the present time, the Engineering Office has reached P27 in the phosphor designation system. A peculiarity of the CRT designation system is that a basic tube type such as 17AV--may be assigned any number of phosphors. So that it is feasible to have anything from 17AVP1 to 17AVP27. Of course, the phosphor type is limited to the use of the tube, so that for television applications the phosphor "P4" is commonly used for monochrome, while the "P22" is for color. Types used for radar may have several phosphor designations, as will tubes used in oscilloscopes.

Suffix letters are assigned to CRT designations to indicate later modified versions which may be unilaterally interchanged with the prototype. So that 17AVP4A may indicate a higher anode voltage rating, while the 17AVP4B may have a filter glass as opposed to the clear glass of the prototype. Then, the 17AVP4C may have an aluminized screen, and so forth.

#### Solid-State Devices

In making assignments for solid-state devices (diode and transistors), we find that the type designation consists of (1) a first number symbol; (2) a letter symbol; (3) a second number symbol; and (4) a suffix letter if required. The first number symbol indicates the number of useful electrical connections, less one. That is, a diode having two useful connections will be started with the number 1. A transistor having three useful connections would be assigned 2, and so forth. The letter symbol is always "N." The second number symbol consists of a numeric starting with 21 and assigned consecutively in the class as indicated by the first number symbol. (Continued on mage 144)

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Fig. 1: Some methods for protecting transistors against application of incorrect voltage polarity

# Eliminate Transistor Burnout

Incorrect battery insertion can ruin sensitive transistors. Here are design techniques for eliminating this problem.

#### By DR. HANS E. HOLLMANN

Consultant Physicist Los Angeles, California **POLARITY** is a problem with transistor circuits. Unlike vacuum tubes, transistors can be destroyed by reversing battery polarity. The miniature electrolytic capacitors used with transistors are also sensitive to incorrect polarity.

#### **Point-Contact Symmetry**

An interesting feature of transistors is the dual nature of their electrodes and junctions. In a pointcontact transistor, either cat-whisker can be used as emitter or collector depending upon their electrical formation and whether they are biased in the reverse, or high impedance, direction or in the forward, or low-impedance, direction. Energy transmission is substantially the same in both directions regardless of which cat-whisker is utilized as emitter or collector, at comparable values of emitter and collector currents.

#### Junction Symmetry

A similar philosophy holds for the junction types but is complicated by asymmetry. Since transistor action is based upon a more efficient collecting ability of one junction as compared to that of the other, the collectors of standard junction transistors have larger areas than the emitters so that a favorable angle exists for the charge carriers to be collected before recombination occurs. Symmetrical junction transistors with equal collector and emitter geometry do not exhibit the necessary collecting efficiency. In other words, symmetrical junction transistors generally are obtained at the expense of current gain and efficiency.

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Fig. 2: The symmetrical transistor (b) has low gain; the circuits of (a) and (b) are suitable for protection of a complete transistor circuit



Fig. 1: Shown is all the equipment required to make good printed circuits.

# \$100 Starts This Printed Circuit Business

With the Ozalid method, anyone can make good quality printed circuits that are ideal for model labs and low volume production.

#### By NORRIS C. HEKIMIAN and ROBERT E. ROBINSON

Fig. 2: (a) Original drawing. (b) Foil exposed. (c) Foil developed. (d) Laminate exposed.



In the usual printed circuit process, a thin sheet of copper backed with plastic and covered with a light sensitive chemical is masked with a photographic negative made from a scaled drawing of the wiring pattern required and exposed to the light of an arc lamp. The light penetrates the negative along the lines representing wires, and affects the chemical coating. The sensitized surface is then developed. This process leaves the plate with a coating resistant to the etching solution at the points where it was previously exposed to light. Finally, the plate is immersed in a suitable etching solution ( i.e., Ferric Chloride) which eats away the copper not protected by the coating, leaving only the wiring "printed" on the plastic backing.

The cost and complexity of the usual printed circuit process are considerably reduced by introducing 3 improvements: the arc light is replaced by an ordinary sun lamp radiating through a dark blue filter; the photographic negative is replaced with Ozalid reversal foil; and the process of etching is speeded up by an electrolytic technique which removes a large part of the undesired copper in ionic form.

#### Light Source

The light source employed is a conventional sun lamp available in many drug and department stores at a relatively low price. It is to be observed that a true sun lamp is used instead of the simple incandescent lamp. However, it has been found that the direct radiation from the lamp is generally excessive and will deteriorate the optical qualities of the resist coating on the copper clad laminate.1 To avoid this it was found necessary to use a dark blue filter placed between the light and the sensitized surface of the laminate. A blue Du Mont oscilloscope filter was used, although any similarly tinted filter would do. By spacing the sun lamp approximately 10 in. from the sensitized surface and exposing the surface to the light for 4 to 6 minutes (after the lamp arc has struck) an exposure equivalent to 2 to 3 minutes of the usual carbon arc is obtained.

It is desirable to protect the exposed surface from the initial light of the sun lamp until the arc strikes. This is because prior to the striking of the arc, the light radiated by the sun lamp is rich in visible light and heat which only deteriorates the surface and does not produce the desired photographic effect. As contrasted to the carbon arc, the sun lamp does not require special equipment, holders, or unusual techniques in its operation. Maintenance consists of simple replacement in case of failure.

#### **Ozalid Process**

In the process described, the major difference from the conventional procedure is in the substitution of an Ozalid reversal foil for the photographic negative usually required. Ozalid foil is inexpensive and can be processed by conventional Ozalid machines, which are readily available in many offices and laboratories. Trained personnel (as contrasted with the photographic technician) are not required. The use of Ozalid foil results in a considerable saving in processing time, personnel and equipment.

As in the usual process, an original drawing is required and it is preferable that this be done in India ink on some high contrast medium such as tracing cloth or vellum. The drawing is made in a 1:1 ratio since there is no photographic reduction involved. Next a contact print using Ozalid reversal foil is made. This is done by feeding the Ozalid foil and the circuit drawing into the machine in the usual manner. The reversal foil as it comes out of the Ozalid machine must be washed in water to fix the image and to prevent deterioration by normal room light. (Fig. 2a-2c).

If a machine is unavailable, an equivalent process can be performed by exposing the reversal foil through the ink drawing for several minutes. The light source may again be the sun lamp but without a filter. After exposure, the foil is developed in ammonia solution or vapor and is then rinsed in tap water. The entire process is noncritical and can be performed in normal room light.

Sensitizing the plate is accomplished by cleaning the copper surface, flowing the photo resist on it, and then drying and insuring an even coat by spinning the plate at 60 to 100 RPM in a whirler. (a suitable whirler can easily be made from an old phonograph turntable.) This method does have a disadvantage, the coat becomes slightly thicker at the plate edges. This usually has no harmful effects and the whirler appears to be the simplest way of obtaining a satisfactory result. Eastman Kodak recommends this, as well as spray gun and quick-dip application techniques. Baking of the dried plates by the use of hot air, strip heaters or infra-red lamps has not been found necessary.

is then retained on the surface for approximately 30 seconds, to allow time for it to set in the exposed areas. Finally the excess dye is washed off under a jet of lukewarm water. The dyeing step is not essential in the process, but it affords a simple and accurate check to the operator so that he can observe any defects which may exist in the plate. The dye will stain the exposed area (which will be resisted by the etching solution) to a deep black. The area that will be etched away in the bath will be unstained, and appears copper colored (Fig. 2d).

Should a faulty image occur, the

Fig. 3: Completed printed circuit chassis. Note sharpness of printed wiring.



The processed Ozalid foil is placed in contact with the sensitized surface and exposure is made under the sun lamp and filter as discussed above. Care must be taken that the foil is in complete contact with the sensitized surface of the copper clad laminate or there may be loss of definition because of light leakage around the edges of the lines on the Ozalid foil. After exposure, the plate is immersed in photo resist developer for approximately 3 minutes. Agitation of the developer bath is helpful.

Next the developed plate is flushed with photo resist dye, which

plate can be stripped down to the original copper simply by scrubbing with developer solution. It is then ready to be reprocessed. If full confidence is developed in the process of the exposure and developing, the dyeing step may be omitted. At this point the plate is now ready to be etched.<sup>2</sup>

One of the most popular etching solutions is a highly concentrated solution of ferric chloride. The plate may be immersed in a tray of ferric chloride and simply allowed to etch at a normal rate. In this case etching time may be of

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# TV Compares Photographic Data

Two films, differing widely in size, can be compared by superimposition on a TV monitor. Error is as low as 1%, making the method ideal for aerial survey interpretation.

> By E. J. OELBERMANN, Project Engineer Haller, Raymond and Brown, Inc. State College, Pa.

In recent years, photographic recording has become one of the most important techniques for collecting data on various transient phenomena which cannot, because of bandwidth or response time, be studied on other types of recording equipment.

In many cases, the engineer and scientist must compare film records of electrical waveforms



E. J. Oelbermann

and other photographic data which have not been corrected for scale differences. The film is often too



Fig. 1: TV comparator. Vertical motion of camera affects scaling.

small to be examined without magnification. In other instances, such as the case with larger photographs, film comparison is impeded somewhat by the lack of a simple means for transforming the data.

The present article describes a technique for studying 2 rolls of film data by means of 2 vidicon type television cameras, a resistive mixer circuit, a difference amplifier and a video monitor.

The experimental equipment shown in Fig. 1 has been used for the comparison of 2 rolls of 9-in. film such as that used in aerial survey work. The film is mounted in 2 aluminum film holders which may be moved manually in x, y, and  $\theta$  on the transparent working surface of a comparator table. Scale change is provided by vertical movement of the TV cameras which have been modified to focus on objects as near as 1 in. and as far as 1 ft. away from the lens. Illumination is provided by 2 dazor lamps with light diffusing screens.

#### **Advantages**

For certain purposes, a TV comparator such as that shown in Fig. 1 has advantages over a flying spot scanner which is very often used for scanning film data. Several of these advantages are as follows:

1. The TV scanner can yield a better signal to noise ratio because of the relatively unlimited



amount of illumination which can be used on the photograph.

2. The TV scanner is a "single-ended" device which allows more freedom of movement on the operator's side of the photograph.

3. Although a flying spot scanner generally has better resolution than a closed circuit TV system, fewer variables in the optical system of the latter device generally make it easier to produce scale transformations.

4. Photographic data can be transmitted to remote locations more easily and more economically on the TV system.

Several simple matching experiments have been conducted using the photographic data comparator. The resistive mixer circuit shown in Fig. 2 has been used for additive matching, and the difference amplifier in Fig. 3 has been used for matching by subtraction.

#### Matching

For purposes of illustration, 2 coins were placed on separate sheets of paper on each side of the alignment table. Fig. 4a is a photograph of the mixed or added signals obtained on the monitor screen when the images of the 2 coins were superimposed through the resistive mixer. Note that the apparent density of either coin can be varied at will by adjustment of R2 and R4 in the mixer circuit. The dense overlap region, represents the added video signals. As the coins are pushed closer together the eclipsed area will increase until a single dark area appears on the monitor. It is possible by means of scale change to align and compare objects of different size and to observe the differences between 2 patterns which fail to match.

Difference matching is illustrated in a similar manner in Fig. 4b which was produced when the images of the 2 coins were mixed or superimposed in the difference amplifier. In this case, the white signal is produced by phase reversal of input No. 1 in V1(B), Fig. 3. As the coins are pushed closer together a difference overlap region shown in Fig. 4c appears. The null signal in Fig. 4d is obtained when the images are almost completely overlapped.

Data matching by TV techniques is limited at present to either simple pattern matching of large data or small area matching of more complex data. With a simple optical system, the alignment table has been used for reading microfilm and for comparing printed materials. This technique may also be used for editing 8mm, 16mm, or 32mm movie film.

The television equipment used in this investigation consisted of 2 Dage Model 65A2 driven sweep TV cameras, 1 Model 420A synchronizing generator, and a Dage Model 602-A 14-in. monitor. The accuracy of the matching technique was limited to 3% error using the present equipment. It is estimated that the error could be reduced to 1% by using matched deflection yokes and common sweep voltages for the vidicon cameras.

#### Acknowledgments

The techniques described in this article were developed under Air Force Contract AF 30(602)-1404 in conjunction with the Intelligence Laboratory, Rome Air Development Center.



Fig. 4: Two coins are shown (a) as added signals partly overlapped, when superimposed through the resistive mixer. Mixed in the difference amplifier, they are represented as (b) separated, (c) partly overlapped, and (d) as a null signal when almost completely overlapped.



What's New . .

# NBS Designs Improved R-F Power Bridge

An improved rf-power-measuring bridge has been developed by the High Frequency Electrical Standards Section at the Boulder Laboratories of the National Bureau of Standards. Unlike conventional bridges, the present design measures the power effects of the rf current directly and eliminates measurements of large currents and then obtaining the difference.

The operation of a power-measuring bridge is based on the equivalent heating effect of dc power and rf power when both are dissipated in a purely resistive load. A temperature-sensitive resistor such as a thermistor or a Wallaston wire forms one arm of a Wheatstone bridge circuit which is biased with dc power until the bridge is balanced. When rf power is fed into the thermistor simultaneously with the dc bias power, the bridge becomes unbalanced and a quantity of dc power must be withdrawn to effect a rebalance.

Usually direct measurements of I<sub>1</sub> and I<sub>2</sub>, the dc bias currents before and after rf power is fed into the thermistor, are made. This results in large errors when the rf power level is small because the measurement involves the difference between two large quantities. To alleviate this problem, it is the usual practice (an inconvenient one) to use several bolometer or thermistor elements with various sensitivities to cover the power range from microwatts to milliwatts.

#### Design

The approach used in the present improved design eliminates the difficulty by measuring the differences,  $\Delta I$ , directly, and at the same time making available a very simple and relatively foolproof circuit arrangement.

The basic principle is to use o fixed total amount of direct current, furnished by a constant current source, and to divert the necessary part of this current from the bolometer bridge into a shunt resistor, where it can be measured directly. The more constant the current source, the greater the accuracy, especially at low power levels, and thus the overall usable range is increased.

#### Current Source

A simple constant-current source can be improvised from a regulated laboratory dc power supply and a series resistor whose value is about 100 times that of the bridge resistance. The maximum change in the total current due to load impedance changes will then be only about 1%. Accuracies of the order of 5% or better can be obtained with such a source and a 50-ohm single-thermistor bridge at power levels of about 1 to 100 mw.

#### Stability

Much better current regulation as well as stability can be obtained by using a well designed constantcurrent source. The source in use at the Bureau (a special electronically regulated power supply) has a regulation of 1 part in 10<sup>5</sup> for load variation from zero to 100 ohms while the stability is  $\pm$  1 part in 10<sup>5</sup> per hour. Stabilities of  $\pm$  1 part in 10<sup>6</sup> have been observed over periods of from 5 to 10 minutes. With this source, RF power levels at the





Fig. 1 (Above): Circuit diagram of the NBS rf bridge,

Fig. 2: The simple, reliable, single thermistor rf-power measuring bridge developed at NBS employs a constant-dc (or constant-af) current source and a shunt branch (R) to make direct measurements of the rf power equivalent. thermistor from 100 mw down to 100 m $\mu$  were measured with respective accuracies of 0.05 to 5%.

The design of this bridge circuit readily permits incorporating a self-balancing feature by having the amplified output of the bridge control the amount of shunt current. The improvement over present-day commercial bridges is about ten to one in the power range and as much as 100 to 1 in percentage accuracy, with the greatest improvement at low levels.



This 20-line, fully electronic telephone exchange requires no mechanical or electrical adjustments after installation. This unit was designed for use by the French Navy

Exciting new possibilities in audio and super-sonic engineering are opened up by announcement of a speaker which has no moving coil, no cone, diaphragm, or vibrating crystal. All these components are replaced by a pulsating cloud of highly ionized air. As an example of the performance of the new "Ionovac" speaker, tests on an early model showed a response of  $\pm$  4 db at a 94 db level from 1800 to 20,000 cps.

While the product is being offered initially to the high-fidelity market as a loudspeaker for the more expensive record players and radios, its applications as a generator of ultra-sonic waves for use by a wide variety of industries is considered of even greater importance.

Heart of the new invention is a small open-ended quartz cell the size of a peanut shell. Air is cupped in a chamber which narrows down to an aperture about the size of an automatic pencil lead. Within this small space, air molecules are bombarded with a high frequency, high voltage current which ionizes the air. The resulting ionized cloud, which glows with a violet hue, functions in place of the traditional diaphragm.

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# French Electronic Exchange

Basic components of the new French telephone switching center are silicon junction diodes and ferro-resonant circuits composed of a saturable self-inductance coil in series with a capacitance. Speech currents pass through gates formed by the diodes and are controlled by the magnetic trippers. Each gate consists of two diodes inserted in the subscriber line circuits. In the blocking condition they present a resistance of 1000 megohms; in the passing position, a resistance of about 4 ohms.

The new equipment has no moving parts and no vacuum tubes, thus possessing great inherent resistance to shock and vibration. At a later stage of development, it is intended to design a subscriber station to meet the same test conditions. This will mean, in particular, replacing the present dial with a push-button call sender, and replacing the ringer with an electroacoustic transducer supplied from a transistor amplifier contained in the subscriber station. This will eliminate the magnetic amplifier now included in the line equipment and reduce its weight considerably.

The new equipment was developed by Laboratoire Central de Telecommunications, French research associate of IT&T. The 20line exchange is a first step toward complete replacement of electromechanical devices with all-electronic systems.

# Ionovac Super-Sonic Speaker

#### How It Works

The ionized particles, when exposed to an intense electric field, become highly agitated. When the strength of the field is changed, the breadth of the oscillations of each of the particles is also changed. Each variation causes an expansion of the "cloud," followed by a contraction, thereby producing sound waves in any strength, form and frequency needed.

Moving parts in loud speakers ---the coils and diaphragms-are at present the weakest links in high fidelity sound reproduction. Within the receiver and amplifier we have learned how to design with extremely low distortion, only to destroy the fidelity by the

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Fig. 1: The small quartz cell shown beside this lonovac speaker is the electronic heart of the new device. Unlike conventional speakers with their moving coils and vibrating cones, or conventional ultra-sonic transducers with their piezoelectric or magnetostrictive elements, the new cell creates a tiny cloud of ions which is made to expand or contract in response to audio or ultrasonic signals. The transducer is broadband, enabling use of one unit to cover wide range of ultra-sonic frequen-





Fig. 1: View of typical machinery, winder & counter, used in manufacturing miniature toroids.

## New Method of

# Evaluating Ferro-Inductors

For the first time, the iron loss is treated as a separate entity—negligible compared to the insertion loss. Formulas for measuring the insertion loss are derived and applied to typical cases.

#### By W. J. POLYDOROFF

Fig. 2: Toroids 1, 2, & 3 produce Q of 450 to 300; 4a, b, & c show optimum Q vs. permeability; 5 & 6, min. insertion loss; and 7, cannot be improved by iron core.



A good number of articles nave been dealing with iron core coils. Even the very recent ones treat the insertion of the core as "the iron loss," or equivalent resistance. This article will show how misleading this practice may be in the design of inductors, testing the cores in the usual solenoidal coils. It is hoped, that it will lead to the design of better coils with optimum utilization of wire and core material.

#### Iron Losses

We start with the general expression of iron losses as shown by Legg<sup>1</sup>:

 $R_i = L_i \mu f (aB + c + ef + gf^2)$ in which the fourth term  $gf^2$  was observed some time ago by the writer, when noticing behavior of inductors at higher frequencies, and confirmed by other investigators.

Knowing the inductance, permeability, frequency and values of a, c, e and g, one can easily calculate the iron loss resistance (ohms) which will be added to the coil's resistance to get the loss resistance of the combination. In actual practice, we may safely omit hysteresis loss resistance for h-f work (aB) as this loss in normal circumstances will not exceed 2% of the R<sub>i</sub>. We may, therefore, deal with the other 3 terms as a "package" and knowing the coefficients c, e, and g, make tables vs. frequency.

We note now that  $R_i$  is proportional to  $\mu$  and  $L_i$ , or to  $\mu^2$  and  $L_o$ , where  $L_o$  would be an inductance of the coil as such. While Legg's formula was primarily designed for toroidal inductance, where  $\mu$  is the full permeability of the material, we may extend the same to any other application utilizing permeability. Bearing in mind that the loss resistance of the iron is proportional to the degree of utilization of its magnetic properties.

This has been proven time and time again. In a majority of recent measurements, increment of permeability is compared with increment of loss. If we accept this principle, we may extend Legg's equation to any shape and form of inductor. Also, take for  $\mu$  its "effective" value,  $\mu_{e}$ , as can be measured from the ratio  $L_i/L_o$  of inductances with, and without, magnetic material. Further, in this investigation, it will appear that the above principle holds true.

#### Magnetic Losses

Now consider the magnetic losses. Coefficient e denotes eddy current loss which, according to the laws on induction, must be proportional to  $f^2$ , the total in ohms being  $R_c = L_i \mu f^2 c$ . This loss, in powdered cores, is proportional to the conductivity of iron or alloy, to the (diameter of particles)<sup>2</sup>, and to the ("packing factor")— $\frac{1}{3}$ . Also, it will depend on the overall conductivity of a core

because of very low internal conductivity, is practically absent, yet every material has a definite upper frequency limit because of g-loss.)

When Legg's method was applied to a series of measurements of toroidal coils at several low (telephone) frequencies and plotted vs. frequency, we were able to determine the coefficients c and e. Unfortunately, the same method applied to high frequencies produced most confusing and conflicting figures, indicating the influence of the windings. The author, therefore, as early as 1940, replaced toroids by coaxial lines

"E"

**1.9** × 10<sup>-4</sup>

 $1.9 \times 10^{-10}$  $1.9 \times 10^{-18}$ 

 $\mu = 8$ 2,700

2,200

1,400

at  $\mu = 10$ 2,200

1,700

1,100

Loss coeff c

Loss coeff e

Loss coeff g

freq. mc

0.5 1.0

2.0

5.0

10 0

20.0

50.0

100.0 150.0

Item

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Соге

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"F"

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"TH"

Table 1 gives the values of loss coefficients recently determined from the NBS measurements on several grades of carbonyl iron specimen cores. As it is customary to express coils in terms of their Q, the values of  $Q_i$  at different  $\mu$ are calculated:

From Legg's equation, it follows that 2-

$$Q_i = \frac{2\pi}{c + ef + gf^2}$$

Note the values of Q<sub>i</sub> of the order of thousands as compared with the same of the coil proper. Also interesting to note that Q<sub>i</sub>, after a certain high frequency, rapidly declines due to term g which is proportional to  $f^3$ .

**"**J"

 $\times 10^{-4}$ 

× 10<sup>-10</sup>

X 10-18

 $\mu = 6$ 

1,000

1,000

920

850

600

160

Q

1.5

185

330

400

380

225

410

70

1.7

180

300

360

360

220

445

9.2

0.2

1.25

µ=7.6

900

870

800

670

470

130

390

430

410

230

470

55

"W"

**15.0** × 10<sup>-4</sup>

 $0.1 \times 10^{-10}$ 

 $0.9 \times 10^{-18}$ 

 $\mu = 6$ 

670

500

250

110

50

2.0 mc

170

230

330

330

215

400

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W. J. Polydoroff Consulting Engineer, 927 15th St., NW, Washington 5, D. C.

4,400 2,200 3,400 550 700 1,350 270 725 1,650 340 710 330 \_\_\_\_ ----180 \_ 55

7.0

6.9

6.4

3.3

6.4

L<sub>µ</sub>H

13.1

95.0

85.0

85.1

42.5

64.0

"TH"

 $1.25 \times 10^{-4}$ 

 $\begin{array}{c|c} 0.8 \times 10^{-10} \\ 1.6 \times 10^{-18} \end{array}$ 

µ=8

4,800

3,800

2,800

Table 1 Q<sub>1</sub> AND LOSS COEFFICIENTS for "hard" carbonyl iron powdered cores.

> Table 2 0.8 1.0 1.2 He 1.0 150 155

440

470

460

190

460

0

"SF"

 $1.0 \times 10^{-4}$ 

 $0.25 \times 10^{-10}$ 

× 10-18

 $\mu = 6$ 

8,300

7,000

950

240

410

460

430

225

480

74

1.2

 $\mu = 8$ 

6.250

5,200

or on the degree of insulation between the particles.

The second term of the "package" may be attributed to frictional losses within the material and is usually called "residual." The term c and the loss,  $R_c =$  $L_{i\mu}fc$ , is more pronounced at the lower frequency of the range, while the last term of  $gf^2$  or the loss,  $R_{g} = L_{i\mu}f^{3}g$ , because of its frequency dependence, is evidenced at higher frequencies and acts as a brake for the use of any iron at a certain "limiting" frequency. (This is especially true for the ferrities, both powdered and solid, where eddy current loss,

loaded with specimen of iron and obtained some consistent figures. They were far from being accurate because of two limitations: very high frequencies at which the measurements could be made and inadequacy of measuring tools.

Turns

125

127

114

127

125

111

Recently, the same methods were applied by NBS employing long lines, low enough frequency and a precision bridge. The figures for coefficients c and e, thus obtained, are extremely low for carbonyl iron powders of standard grades and are in conformity with those recently published in England.

With the coefficients now given, we may calculate R<sub>i</sub> resistance increase due to iron. Or for those mostly interested in Q of an inductor, knowing Q of the coil, Q<sub>1</sub> of the iron, and resistance of the coil proper at a given frequency,  $\mathbf{R}_{rf}$  to arrive at the Q of the combination we have a simple expression :

$$Q = \frac{Q_{o}R_{rf} + Q_{i}R_{i}}{R_{rf} + R_{i}}$$

$$Q = \frac{WL_{o} + WL_{o} (\mu - 1)}{R_{rf} + R_{i}}$$

In actual practice, such calculations do not agree with the (Continued on page 147)



# ... for the Design Engineer

#### ELECTROLYTIC CAPACITORS

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designed to meet exacting requirements of small size, extremely low leakage and long idling or shelf life. Ideal for printed and transistorized circuitry. These rugged, hermetically sealed capacitors supply dependable performance over wide temperature ranges. EX has standard twist prong mtg.; EZ is for printed circuit mtg. Astron Corp., 255 Grant Ave., East Newark, N. J.

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#### **DELAY RELAY**

A new miniature thermal delay relay (shown at the left) has just been announced. This vibration resistant unit is specifically designed for applications in both missiles and jet aircraft. Among its many design features are: virtual elimination of contact chatter up to 1500 cps at 10 g's; no resonance to 500 cps; good ambient compensation between  $-65^{\circ}$ C

#### SWITCHING TRANSISTOR

These new pnp computer transistors, the 2N-315, 2N-316 and 2N-317 are the germanium alloy type intended primarily for applications where high speed, high current switch-



ing is of paramount importance. The 2N-317 has, with only a minimum of drive current, a typical switching speed of 0.3 msec. at 400 ma. of collector current. Series resistance when conducting is  $\frac{1}{2}$  ohm; nonconducting series resistance is as high as 10 Megs with a result that approaches optimum efficiency at high current levels. General Transistor Corp., 91-27 138th Place, Jamaica, N. Y.

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#### **VARIABLE CONTROL**

A new variable composition control for the RV4 style under MIL R-94A using a molded composition resistance track, employs a radial resistance element, filling the entire inner perimeter of the resistor barrel. Wattage dissipation is higher and localized hot spots are reduced. Model "R" offers a 3 w. std. rating; 2 w. under RV4 style. After moisture resistance



and  $+85^{\circ}C$ —contacts rated for 1 a. at 27.5 vdc. or 3 a. at 115 vac.; and extra-rigid construction for exceptionally high contact pressure. Instrument Division, Thomas A. Edison Industries, West Orange, N. J.

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type testing the resistors will exceed the "Y" environmental characteristic, with an average change of 2%. Linear, cw, and ccw tapers provided. Reon Resistor Corp., 117 Stanley Ave., Yonkers, N. Y.

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#### **PLUG-IN CIRCUITS**

A new "Computer-Series" of plugins, said to represent a refinement of the building-block concept to a degree hitherto unknown, has been announced. Performance of the new



plug-ins has been engineered for application where ultra-conservative design at the component level is essential because of system complexity. A full line of circuits is available, including Flip-Flops, Shift Register Elements, DC "Not" Circuits, Delay Units, Pulse Mixer Amplifiers, and One-Digit Subtractor Matrixes. Engineered Electronics Co., 506 East First St., Santa Ana, Calif.

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#### DC POWER SUPPLY

Model 30B-25 Power Supply provides dc from 1.02 to 302 v. at up to 250 ma. with  $\pm 100$  ppm long time stability, 0.01% load regulation factor, 0.002% line regulation factor, and less than 0.5 mv. hum and noise. Calibrated dials select desired output voltage to an accuracy of 0.02% or 5 mv. DC output impedance is less than 0.01 ohm, and ac output impedance is less



than 0.5 ohm to 200 KC. Response time is less than 0.2 mecs. Varible bias from 0 to -150 v. at 10 ma. and 6.3 v. ac filament voltage at 5 a. KINTEL (formerly Kay Lab), 5725 Kearny Villa Rd., San Diego 11.

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# ... for the Design Engineer

#### STEPPING SYNCHRO

Precision stepping synchros utilizing an electro-mechanical positioner to drive the rotor of a differential synchro in fixed increments of  $1^{\circ}$ produce an ac output that is syn-



chronous with rotor position. Rotation of the mechanism is unlimited in both directions, and is operated by an electrical input pulse at any speed up to  $60^{\circ}$ /sec. The Model 89161A-1 Stepping Synchro will fit a multitude of applications such as often found in complex directional or guidance systems where the need exists for servo actuation. G. M. Giannini & Co., Inc., 918 E. Green St., Pasadena 1.

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#### **READ-OUT TUBE**

The first mass-produced all-electronic "read-out" tube is now in volume production. The NIXIE, a small, low-cost electron device, converts electronic signals directly to readable characters. It contains all the numeric digits, any one of which can be selected and displayed. It can be triggered by beam switching tubes or any suitable voltage source requiring ap-



One of a series of miniature, panelmounted electronic instruments, the Model 310 DC Electronic Voltmeter has been especially designed for incorporation into equipment where



compactness and dependability are important considerations. The instrument is a completely self-contained, multirange voltmeter possessed of good electrical characteristics which include high input impedance, good accuracy and the ability to effect voltage measurements up to 1000 vdc. It offers a large scale with 7 voltage ranges, 0-1/3/10/30/100/300/1000 v. Pameco, Mill Lane, Waterford, Conn.

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#### MEMORY RELAY

This device is a bistable time relay with SPDT snap action contacts. The relay is thermally operated, having two separate heater circuits. Each heater serves to transfer a movable arm from one contact to the other. The relay being bistable remains in either of the two contact positions until operated by means of the appropriate heater circuit. Because of



prox. <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> w. Applications include computer read-out, industrial control, electronic instrumentation, military electronic control, and channel selectors. Burroughs Corp., Electronic Tube Div., Plainfield, N. J.

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the thermal actuating characteristics, a time delay is associated with each operation. The bimetal strips are perfectly matched, Curtiss-Wright Corp., Electronics Div., 631 Central Ave., Carlstadt, N. J.

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#### JACK PANEL

These video jack panels are designed to provide co-axial patching facilities for television installations or other applications where 70 ohm lines are used. These panels are avail-



able with jacks for both the RCA and Western Electric size. Individual jacks, plugs, patchcords and looping plugs are also available. Panels may also be obtained with 12 groups of either 2, 3 or 4 jacks. A sub-chassis is included providing 24 Amphenol connectors and plugs to allow disconnection of long lines. Perfect shielding guaranteed. Nems-Clarke, Inc., 919 Jesup-Blair, Silver Spring, Md.

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#### COOLING PANEL

A new cooling panel for flushing clean, cooling air through standard 19-in. enclosed relay racks has been announced. A built-in fan pulls air through a 2-in. thick fiberglass dust filter on which there is a novel Filter Pilot (white circle), which automatically indicates when filter replacement is due. The Model RF Cooling Panel is capable of handling 2000 w.



dissipation with a 40° F. temp. rise and can operate continuously in 125° F. ambients. Height is only 7 in. and total weight 7 lbs. Rotron Manufacturing Company, Schoonmaker Lane, Woodstock, N. Y.

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WASHINGTON

## **News Letter**

MICROWAVE OVERHAUL—The FCC is commencing its all-important hearings the latter part of April or early May to determine the future uses of the frequency spectrum above 890 MC. Full written cases by the participants in the proceeding were submitted to the Commission during the latter part of March, but they will not be made available to all participants "for competitive reasons" until a short time before the hearings are under way.

**DATA ON RECORD**—The objective of this procedure is to get most of the data, particularly statistical information, on record at the FCC before the oral sessions start. This will allow more time for the parties to emphasize special points during the oral hearings. The hearings will run two or three days a week. While more than 200 organizations have filed notices of appearance or comments, a number have indicated that they do not intend to testify and numerous others have simply endorsed the position of other participants.

**PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED**—Cross-examination during the microwave hearings will be done exclusively by the FCC Commissioners or staff attorneys. The parties in the case will be given an opportunity to submit for Commission consideration any questions they may want to ask of another party. There will be no "round-robin" cross-examination of witnesses by the FCC staff, it was emphasized. Some method of rebuttal by the different parties is being formulated by the FCC legal staff in charge of the microwave hearings' planning and this will be allowed after the conclusion of the oral sessions.

FIVE-YEAR LICENSES-Strong support for 5year license periods for broadcasting and television stations instead of the present three-year renewal requirement came recently from two top-ranking governmental sources. Senator John Pastore (D., R. I.) who heads the communications-radio subcommittee of the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee and FCC Chairman George C. Mc-Connaughey advocated the longer license periods on the premise that renewals of broadcast-TV stations should only be refused for violation of the Communications Act. In fact, Senator Pastore indicated that he favored permanent licenses for the broadcasting field. FCC Commissioner John C. Doerfer in an address several months ago had also proposed that the licenses be awarded "in perpetuity."

SCATTER READY—At a conference of federal government and armed services officials under the sponsorship of the Telecommunications Planning Committee it was recently disclosed to ELEC- TRONIC INDUSTRIES' Washington Bureau that radio communication by ionospheric scatter has now progressed where it is ready for routine operational application. The objective of the conference, attended by government and military officials who are or may be in the future responsible for operational use of ionospheric scatter, was a comprehensive review of the theoretical, experimental and operational state of scatter communication. Besides the government and military participants at the classified conference, speakers included representatives from Aeronautical Radio, Inc., Collins Radio Co., Lincoln Laboratories, and Page Communications Engineers.

SINGLE SIDEBAND FOR AVIATION—Endorsement of single sideband for civil aeronautical communications service as "still the right conclusion" was the determination of the Airlines Electronic Engineering Committee, affiliated with Aeronautical Radio, Inc., following a recent all-day symposium on single sideband and double sideband attended by around 350 aviation radio engineers at which representatives from Collins Radio, General Electric, Hoffman Laboratories and Kahn Research Laboratories presented their views on different systems for ground-air communications. The AEEC concurred in the previous findings of the International Air Transport Association resulting from its analysis of SSB potentialities at Montreal last November.

SSB DATA TRANSMISSION—Both speech processing and data transmission can be accomplished on SSB, the AEEC concluded, although for data transmission more "sophisticated" techniques are required. The ARINC technical agency cited "it is clear there is a relative spectrum advantage in SSB systems over DSB systems," and single sideband is "the logical replacement" for the present AM communications system.

**DEFENSE SPENDING**—During the first half of the government fiscal year 1957 which ended last Dec. 31, the Department of Defense spent \$455,176,000 out of a total \$2,938,145,000 available for communications and electronics requirements for both military functions and the military assistance program. For military functions alone \$366,689,000 out of a fund of \$2,554,281,000 available. Spending by departments with amounts available in parentheses included: Army, \$72,292,000 (\$579,771,000); Navy, \$56,483,000 (\$444,614,000); and Air Force, \$230, 914,000 (\$1,529,896,000). For the military assistance program \$88,487,000 was spent in the last half of 1956 out of \$383,864,000 available.

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#### ANTENNAS, PROPAGATION

Sky Waves For Short Range Transmission, by R. E. Lacy and J. J. Egli, "El. Ind. Op. Sect." April 1957, 2 pp. The authors examine the conditions affecting short range (25 miles) communication on all parts of the earth. Variables investigated are atmospheric radio-noise levels, attenuation (both free-space and ionospheric absorption), and ionospheric usable frequencies.

The Reflection of a Plane Wave from a Wire Grid when the Wave is Normally Polarized, by V. G. Iampol'sky. "Radiotek." Nov. 1956. 5 pp. The paper examines the problem of the reflection of a plane electromagnetic wave from a grid consisting of equally spaced round conductors for the case when the electric field intensity vector of the incident wave lies in the plane of the grid and perpendicular to the axes of the conductors.

A Limiting Case in the Design of an Excited Reflector Antenna, by V. A. Krishnaswamy. "J. ITE." Dec. 1956. 5 pp. The author brings together the basic theory relating to the excited reflector and the parasitic reflector, and spotlights the situation where the excited reflector breaks down. The vector diagrams help to comprehend clearly the role of the mutual impedance in altering the base impedance of the aerials to different values.

Terminated Horn Enclosures, by W. E. Glenn. "IRE Trans. PGAU." No. 6, 1956. 3 pp. The characteristics of a finite exponential horn terminated in a physically realizable impedance have been calculated on an IBM 650 computer. Some of the results of the calculations and some experimental results of tests on such a terminated horn are presented.

Radiation by Disks and Conical Structures, by A. Leitner and C. P. Wells. "IRE Trans. PGAP." Oct. 1956. 4 pp. This paper studies the use of the method of integral transforms in a class of radiation and antenna problems involving mixed boundary conditions on coordinate surfaces of the spherical system.

Foreign Publications as an Engineering Tool, by J. G. Adashko. "Ford Instrument Company Engineering Log." Jan. 1957. 2 pp. Mr. Adashko emphasizes the importance of foreign technical publications as a source of information. He points out that the Russians, Germans, and French publish more technical material than we do—the Russians have at least three magazines comparable to the IRE Proceedings. Speaking of his own work in nuclear equipment he lists as probably most valuable the very expensive "Avtomatika i Telemekhanika." Only El's exclusive IN-TERNATIONAL ELECTRONIC SOURCES regularly and thoroughly abstracts this Russian journal. Radiation Absorbers—Their Selection and Use, by D. J. Newman. "El. Des." Feb. 1, 1957. 3 pp. The article deals with electromagnetic energy absorbers to simulate free-space.

Ferrod Radiator System, by F. Reggia, E. G. Sencer, R. D. Hatcher, and J. E. Tompkins. "Proc. IRE." March 1957. 9 pp. Ferrod radiator systems for 3-cm have been developed which are especially useful in the field of portable radars and have good possibilities in the miniaturization of fire-control antenna systems requiring high-speed electrical scanning or lobing.

Simplification of Field Strength Computations for Shielded Enclosures, by R. G. Lessner and A. S. Markham. "Proc. IRE." March 1957. 1 p. The authors of this note derive a simplified formula for the method developed by Haber in "Generation of Standard Fields in Shielded Enclosures."

Military Standardization of Dummy Loads, by L. Field and A. C. Metzger. "El. Des." Feb. 1, 1957. 2 pp.

Partially Reflecting Sheet Arrays, by G. von Trentini. "IRE Trans. PGAP." Oct. 1956. 6 pp. Multiple reflections of electromagnetic waves hetween two planes are studied, and the increase in directivity that results by placing a partially reflecting sheet in front of an antenna with a reflecting screen is investigated at a wavelength of 3.2 cm.

Line-of-Sight Wave Propagation in a Randomly Inhomogeneous Medium, by B. M. Pannin. "IRE Trans. PGAP." Oct. 1956. 5 pp. Theoretical calculations have been made, using single-scattering approximation, for propagation in a randomly inhomogeneous medium in which the deviations of refractive index from the mean are small. The emphasis in this paper is in indicating the transition from the ray treatment results to the scattering cross section results.

Computer Predictions of LUFS and MUFS. "Research for Industry," Jan. 1957. 2 pp. Computations of lowest useful high frequency and maximum usable frequency by the Signal Corps Radio Propagation Agency at Fort Monmouth, N. J., are described in general, and applicability of computers to the task discussed

Circulatory-Polarized Biconical Horns. by C. Goatley and F. D. Green. "IRE Trans. PGAP." Oct. 1956. 5 pp. The method of obtaining elliptical and circular polarization described here consists basically of interposing a densc array of thin, conducting elements on cylindrical plastic forms between the faces of the cones. The authors discuss polarization obtained and radiation patterns, gain, phase differences, and applications of the antenna.

Phase Centers of Microwave Antennas. by D. Carter. "IRE Trans. PGAP." Oct. 1956. 4 pp. Contrary to the prediction of aperture theory, it is shown that the phase centers of axially symmetric antennas are not in the aperture plane, but they are dispersed about it. It is pointed out that the phase centers of the reflected radiation field can be varied and even pushed behind the dish by defocusing and separating the primary feed phase centers.

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A High-Performance Conically-Scanning X-Band Antenna of Novel Design, by J. G. McCann and R. J. Stegan. "IRE Trans PGAP." Oct. 1956. 4 pp. This paper describes the techniques employed to obtain a conically-scanning antenna producing a pencil beam having equal E- and H-plane beamwidths and having polarization—changing features enabling quick change from linear to circular to vertical polarization. The problems encountered and their solutions are described.

Systematic Errors Caused by the Scanning of Antenna Arrays: Phase Shifters in the Branch Lines, by L. A. Kurtz and R. S. Elliott. "IRE Trans. PGAP." Oct. 1956. 9 pp.

History of the Directional Antenna in the Standard Broadcast Band for Purpose of Protecting Service Area of Distant Stations, by R. M. Wilmotte. "RE Trans. PGBTS." Feb. 1957. 5 pp.

The Shape of Dielectric Antennas, by G. V. Trentini. "Nach. Z." Feb. 1957. 5 pp. The radiation properties of various types of dielectric antennas are investigated by means of experiments. Rods with steps in the dimensions of their cross-sections have produced similar results as those of the usual design in the form of tapered rods with equal length. Plates of suitable dimensions exhibit a stronger beam concentration in one plane and composite systems such as parallel or crossing plates, horns, horns with tubular extensions and variations thereof have a higher gain for almost concentrically concentrated beams.

A New Method for the Measurement of the Average Dielectric Constant of the Underground Medium on Site, by Mohamed A. H. El-Said. "IRE Trans. PGAP." Oct. 1956. 5 pp. An electromagnetic interference pattern in the far-distance condition is utilized to determine the average dielectric constant of the underground propagational medium. The method depends upon the determination of the surface wave velocity by means of measuring the first self-resonance frequency of a dipole wire laid on the earth's surface.

The Image Method of Beam Shaping, by P. T. Hutchison. "IRE Trans. PGAP." Oct. 1956. 6 pp. At microwave frequencies, cosecantsquared radiation patterns are obtained with parabolic reflectors no larger than those required to give pencil beams of commensurate beam widths. A qualitative analysis of a paraboloid fed by a horn and several images is shown to agree with measured results.

Loop Antenna Measurements, by P. A. Kennedy. "IRE Trans. PGAP." Oct. 1956. 9 pp. Experimental measurements on three loop antenna configurations are presented. The technique for obtaining impedance and current distributions using a single-wire transmission line over an image plane is described with particular attention given to the form, and for loops where theoretical results are available, curves comparing theory and experiments are presented.



#### AUDIO

Sawtooth Testing of Audio Amplifiers, by R. C. Hitchcock. "IRE Trans. PGBTS." Feb. 1957. 4 pp. A sawtooth wave contains all harmonics, and a single oscilloscope picture shows flatness of frequency response, transient stability, and overload of an audio amplifier.

The AF Anechoic Chambers at Cherry Hill, by M. S. Corrington, R. L. Libbey, and S. V. Perry. "IRE Trans. PGAU." No. 6, 1956. 6 pp. Design features and construction details of "sound proof" rooms for acoustic measurements on TV and radio receivers, phonographs, and loudspeakers are discussed.

On the Phasing of Microphones, by B. B. Bauer. "I'RE Trans. PGAU." No. 6, 1956. 7 pp. The phasing of all gradient and of some phase-shift microphones is reversed for rearwardly arriving sound waves. In this paper the phase-frequency characteristics of most common microphones are described; methods for predicting or ascertaining the phasing of microphones are given; and a system is proposed for experimentally determining the absolute phasing of an unknown microphone.

An Experimental 9000-Watt Airborne Sound System, by D. W. Martin et. al. "IRE Trans. PGAU." No. 6, 1956. 10 pp. Results of opperation of the experimental sound system were poor. Important factors included turbulence and gross inhomogeneity in the medium (resulting in random fluctuations in level), the effect of source motion in speeding up the fluctuations, multipath interference, normal attenuation with distance, high-frequency absorption in the medium, and Doppler effect.

Automatic Reverberation Time Recorder, by C. R. Viswanathan. "J. ITE." Dec. 1956. 9 pp. An equipment has been constructed which can plot reverberation time vs. frequency of an enclosure under test in a relatively short time. The time taken for 40 db decay is measured and is taken as two-thirds the value of reverberation time, assuming an exponential decay of sound energy. The advantages and limitations of the equipment are discussed, taking a typical studio measurement as an example.

Audio Induction Paging Sytem, by R. Zuck. "EL" Feb. 1, 1957. 2 pp. Circuits and performance of a three-transistor portable a-f receiver are discussed.



#### CIRCUITS

Electrostatic Generators, by N. Felici. "Onde." Jan. 1957. 16 pp. After a brief recapitulation of the historic causes which froze the development of electrostatic generators until recently, the principle of the insulated cylinder generators is briefly described and their close relation of electronic amplifiers is indicated.

The principles of electronic control of these generators is advanced. The mathematical criteria of stability are discussed as well as the transient response. This shows the excellence of the dynamic stability and the possibility of providing high current intensity points, which are used in some applications.

Stability and Power Gain of Tuned Transistor Amplifiers, by A. P. Stern. "Proc. IRE." March 1957. 9 pp. The transistor can become unstable at frequencies where its internal feedback is sufficiently large: its maximum power gain is then infinite and it may oscillate. The author discusses the maximum power gain realizable as a function of required degrees of stability.

The "Asmodulor" Process, by L. Paternault. "Onde." Dec. 1956. 9 pp. Electronic apparatus can nearly always be split into a number of honogenous sub assemblies, and this is behind the "Asmodulor" process which enables an electronic assembly to be realized by an assembly of a number of identical mechanical units carrying the components. By reason of the mechanical production and small labor cost, this leads to a reduction in price, and it favors mechanized test methods more than conventional type equipment. Big developments in this process are particularly foreseen in the military and aeronautical fields. The article describes in detail the process, its applications, and gives some information on the special components employed.

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Of the Miller Integrator, by R. G. Goldman. "Proc. IRE." March 1957. 1 p. This brief note calls attention to a useful property of the Miller Integrator; it can generate a linear sweep whose peak exceeds the dc supply voltage.

Eliminate Transistor Burnout, by Dr. Hans E. Hollmann. "El. Ind." April 1957, 2 pp. Dr. Hollmann outlines circuitry for maintaining correct polarity at transistor leads regardless of battery polarity.

Better Regulation With Positive Feedback, by I. Gottlieb. "El. Ind. Op. Sect." April 1957. 2 pp. The author describes simple circuit improvements which give better output level regulation in telephone carrier frequency amplifiers. The technique involves addition of a positive feedback loop and an equal increase in negative feedback.

Computation of Certain Circuits on the Hasis of Their Response to a Unit Step-Voltage, by V. V. Zgirkis. "Radiotek." Nov. 1956. 8 pp. The paper examines problems involved in the determination of the circuits of fourpoles on the basis of their response to a unit stepvoltage. A method is developed for determining the elements of resonant and aperiodic fourpoles.

The Practical Elimination of "Inverse Operation" in an Amplitude-Phase Detector when Pulse Interference is Present, by Iu. S. Lezin. "Radiotek." Nov. 1956. 8 pp. The paper examines the variation of the phase angle of the grid circuit voltage in an amplitude-phase detector when that variation is caused by the interference of a single pulse. It is proven that the maximum value of this variation can be made so small that "inverse operation" will be impossible in such a detector when interference from single pulses is present.

Meter-Wave Pentode Frequency Converters, by I. I. Levenstern. "Radiotek." Nov. 1956. 7 pp. The paper examines different variants of balanced circuits for single-grid heterodyne pentode frequency converters. The following problems are analyzed: 1) the special features of single-grid heterodyne frequency converters which use a capacitive divider; 2) converters with an inductive divider; 3) experimental investigation of a balanced converter.

Band-Pass Filters with an Invariant Frequency Response, by I. M. Simontov. "Radiotek." Nov. 1956.3 pp. The paper provides design computations for a special band-pass filter circuit which has a constant frequency response over the entire tuning range.

Graphs for the Design of Filters on the Basis of Their Characteristic Parameters, by M. M. Shenberg. "Radiotek." Nov. 1956. 6 pp. Graphs are given for the purpose of determining the parameters of matching filter elements in accordance with the specified attenuation requirements in the band of effectively passed frequencies. A nomogram is provided for plotting the frequency responses of the intrinsic attenuation of filter elements in the stop-band.

Linear Pulse-Forming Circuits, by W. C. Gore and T. Larsen. "IRE Trans. PGCT." Sept. 1956. 7 pp. The authors present a generalized method for the design of linear pulse-forming circuits—circuits which have pulse-type responses to a step-function input, which would be applicable for a variety of pulse shapes.

Retrace Driven Deflection Circuit, by W. B. Guggi. "IRE Trans. PGBTR." Oct. 1956. 4 pp. The circuit described here employs either a single transistor or a tube, operated as a switch. The switching operation is such that the inrush current upon closing the switch and the voltage build-up on opening the switch are delayed sufficiently to prevent excessive momentary dissipation in the switching device.

Phase-Adjusting Circuits, by J. W. R. Griffiths. "E. & R. Eng." Jan. 1957. 5 pp. A wellknown phase-adjusting circuit is shown to be a special form of a more general type of circuit. Various other forms of this generic circuit are discussed, and shown to be of practical use under certain conditions of load, where the original circuit would not be suitable. The results are presented in a form useful for reference.

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RF AND IF Amplifier Design with Conductance Curves, by K. A. Pullen, Jr. "El. Des." Feb. 1, 1957. 4 pp.

On Networks without Ideal Transformers, by I. Cederbaum. "IRE Trans. PGCT." Sept. 1956. 4 pp. Necessary conditions for a matrix to be an impedance or admittance matrix of pure resistance "n" ports are given. The results are then applied to RLC networks for real positive values of the complex frequency, and the most general linear reciprocal networks without ideal transformers at zero frequency. Some properties of the matrices fulfilling these conditions are presented.

Electrostatic Lens, by N. P. Carlton. "Rev. Sci." Jan. 1987. 2 pp. An electrostatic lens has been constructed which, by a succession of closely spaced rings at graded potentials, approximated a cylindrical surface along which the potential varies as the square of the distance from some original plane. This lens was more efficient in focusing a highly divergent beam of ions than were several combinations of conventional lenses which were also tried.

On Electrical Circuits and Switching Circuits, by S. Seshu. "IRE Trans. FGCT." Sept. 1956. 7 pp. During the past two decades switching and electrical network theories have developed more or less independently and both have developed a great deal. The purpose of the present paper is to relate the two theories from a point of view quite different from the one taken by previous workers. The two theories are related from a topological rather than an impedance point of view.

The Characteristics of Parallel-T RC Networks, by D. H. Smith. "El. Eng." Feb. 1957. 7pp. Article discusses properties of symmetrical parallel-T networks, both balanced and unbalanced. An analytical treatment of the networks leads to curves expressing the characteristics of different forms of the networks; these curves are suitable for design application. Design of oscillators and bandpass amplifiers using the networks is considered.

The Tone Ringer, by F. L. Crutchfield and J. R. Power. "Bell Rec." Feb. 1957. 5 pp. A new Transistor-operated tone ringer has been designed at Bell Telephone Laboratories as a possible replacement for the conventional telephone bell to provide equal or superior performance in supplying a pleasant but attentionattracting sound.

Periodic Sampling Logarithmic Amplifier, by J. S. Nettel. "Rev. Sci." Jan. 1957. 4 pp. The logarithmic response of the amplifier is derived by extracting an output proportional to the time required for the voltage across a parallel resistance condenser combination to decay to a small fixed value. A logarithmic response over four decades with a deviation of less than 1% of the maximum output is secured. An immediate application is the study of transients associated with photocells.

Transistor Pulse Generator, by F. Rozner. "E. & R. Eng." Jan. 1957. 3 pp. Pnp and npn transistors in combination can be used to generate pulses with short rise times. Minority carrier storage can be used to broaden the pulse. Using low-frequency medium-power transistors, rise and fall times of the order of 0.7 microseconds at 100 kc repetition frequency can be obtained with a peak power output of 1 watt.



#### COMMUNICATIONS

Punched Tape Handles "Break" Switching, by A. C. Angus. "El. Ind. Op. Sect." April 1957. 2 pp. Up to seven program sources can be sequentially scheduled with this new control equipment. It holds the time base to within 1 sec. Programming for 24 hours can be contained on 80 feet of tape.

Stabilized Bias for Broadcast Amplifiers, by H. G. Stratman. "El. Ind. Op. Sect." April 1957. 2 pp. Dual channel, negative, regulated power supply holds bias constant on grids of a highpower TV amplifier. Peak power output is maintained constant regardless of a light or a dark picture signal.

Marine Filtering is Over-Filtered, by J. J. O'Neil. "El. Ind." April 1957. 2 pp. Reporting a series of Signal Corps investigations, the author mentions the many engineering advances in the art of interference reduction which can reduce cost of suppression.

Radio Reception Interference which is Created by the Gas-Filled Rectifiers of the Transmitter Rectifier Unit, by G. S. Shul'man. "Radiotek." Nov. 1956. 2 pp. A brief summary of interference data which has been experimentally obtained on commercial units in actual operation. The nature of the interference and the means for its elimination are discussed.

The Determination of the Optimum Capacity Figures for Telephone Networks with Inundating Traffic, by J. Rettenberger. "Nach. Z." Feb. 1957. 7 pp. The outlay for a telephone network becomes a minimum when the basic traffic for one communication path is passed through a direct group of channels and when the remaining traffic is passed through a higher level exchange. The paper shows by means of a section of a simple network how the required network with a minimum in outlay can be determined when in individual cases the traffic units, the line costs and varicus types of channel grouping are taken into consideration. The paper continues describing the possible application of this method to complicated sections in networks and explains the practical application by means of one example.

UHF Communication System Interference Reduction Through the Use of Selective Filters, by M. W. Caquelin. "IRE Trans. PGVC." Dec. 1956. 5 pp.

Communication with Moving Trains in Tunnels, by N. Monk and H. S. Winbigler. "IRE Trans. PGVC." Dec. 1956. In the range of 159 to 162 mc, where the FCC assigns railroad communications systems, radio communications is impossible with ordinary methods while trains are in long tunnels. Experiments with a two mile tunnel showed satisfactory transmission in tunnels could be obtained for a distance up to approximately 6,000 feet from stationary transmitters by radiating from twin-lead cable such as RG-86/U suitably located within the tunnel.

Equalization of Military Carrier Telephone Systems, by C. L. Semmelman. "Bell Rec." Feb. 1957. 4 pp. Excellent equalization is reported for two recently developed military carrier telephone systems using a combination of fixed and adjustable equalizers and temperature-compensating regulators.

An Economical Guide to Station Planning, by D. M. Weise. "IRE Trans. PGBTS." Feb. 1957. 5 pp. A brief review with illustrations, of the operation of the Chicago Educational TV Association. Possible Applications for Goniometers in Telecommunications, by H. Fricke. "Nach. Z." Feb. 1957. 9 pp. Goniometers, which have so far been used for the determinations of incident azimuthal angles for electro-magnetic waves, are universal circuit elements in telecommunication engineering. New possibilties for their application exist principally in radio location as well as in other fields. The present paper is by no means exhaustive but is intended to give suggestions for further applications of goniometers by way of sketched examples.

VHF Radio Coordinated Traffic Light Control System, by E. W. Hassel. "IRE Trans. PGVC." Dec. 1556. 9 pp. The author describes a VHF carrier modulated with audiofrequency control tones to permit the radio coordinated system to perform the same as ordinary cable controlled systems, without cable. The system may be used with all conventional traffic light control equipment without modification. Operating experience has been gained with several installations.

Crystal Oscillators in Communication Receivers, by A. G. Manke. "IRE Trans. PGVC." Dec. 1956, 6 pp.

First Transatlantic Telephone Cable System, by E. T. Mottram. "Bell Rec." Feb. 1957. 7 pp.

Ship Autoalarm Uses Computer Techniques, by E. R. Sarratt and H. H. Abelew. "El." Feb. 1, 1957. 4 pp. An automatic alarm for use with a receiver tuned to the international distress frequency is described. Variations in atmospherics, and interfering signals must be discriminated against. The system uses computer techniques to provide an alarm signal only in response to an international distress signal.

The BBC Radio Microphone, by F. A. Peachey and G. A. Hunt. "E. & R. Eng." Feb. 1957. 3 pp. A tiny FM transmitter is described.

A Stable FM Receiver With Preset Tuning, by G. S. Robinson. "El Eng." Feb. 1957. 4 pp. Article describes a fixed tuned receiver using a crystal-controlled reference. Design details on the inductive components are included.

The VF-telegraphy System Type WT 24/1, by H. H. Voss and J. Arnold. "Nach. Z." Feb. 1957. 7 pp. After a discussion concerning the requirements which a modern VF-telegraphy system must meet because of technical and economical reasons the paper describes the circuits and the electrical properties of the new system type WT 24/1 which has been partly fitted with transistors. The paper ends in brief descriptions of special parts of the design.

Instantaneous Speech Compressor, by C. R. Rutherford. "El." Feb. 1, 1957. 2 pp. Intelligibility of air-ground communications is increased by the use of a transistorized speech compressor which plugs into the carbon microphone jack. Unit combines advantages of clipper and agc techniques.

Frequency Allocation—A Complex Planning Task. "Wire and Radio Communications." Feb. 1957. 2 pp. A review of allocation functions of the FCC and present assignments in the radio spectrum.

Optimum Detection of Random Signals in Noise, with Application to Scatter-Multipath Communication, I, by R. Price. "IRE Trans. PGIT." Dec. 1956. 11 pp.

A Coincidence Procedure for Signal Detection, by M. Schwartz. "IRE Trans. PGIT." Dec. 1956. 5 pp. A coincidence method of detecting a signal in the presence of noise is compared to the statistically optimum Neyman-Pearson procedure utilizing signal integration and threshold detection.

Near and Far-End Crosstalk in Balanced Pair Cables After Splicing, Near-end Crosstalk Compensation, by H. Pech. "Cab. & Trans." Jan. 1957. 19 pp. Formulae are given, allowing determination of the permissible values of near-end crosstalk measured during splicing tests, in order to fulfill the conditions finally required for the completed circuits.

Development Problems of Miniature Assemblies in Communication Engineering, by P. Henninger. "Freq." Jan. 1957, 15 pp. The problems arising in connection with miniature components are discussed in detail. In particular the design and materials used in capacitors, and the dimensioning of the structures involved are considered. Chemical and other associated problems are introduced.

Remote Control Receiver, by E. Bohr. "El." Feb. 1, 1957. 1 p. This is a superregenerative circuit followed by an amplifier stage, using the Phileo L5108 surface barrier transistor and a 2N43. The receiver, as described, operates on the 27.255 mc Citizen Radio frequency, and is suitable for operating a control relay.

Transistorized Communications Receiver, by S. Schwartz. "IRE Trans. PGVC." Dec. 1956. 5 pp. Transistors have been used successfully in all sections following the mixer of a 500 kc to 32 kc military, vehicular-type radio receiver originally designed with all vacuum tubes. The receiver provides reception of CW, phone, and single-channel, frequency-shift radio teletype signals. This superheterodyne, multiple conversion receiver, while keeping the desirable characteristics of the vacuum tube receiver also provides for a five-fold increase of audio power and a reduction of battery power drain by one third.

New Developments in Two-Way Communications, by A. A. Macdonald. "IRE Trans. PGVC." Dec. 1956. 6 pp. Coded squelch, transistorized dynamic microphones, transistorized portable transmitter-receivers are among new developments discussed.

A Semi-Automatic Tuning High Frequency Communications Equipment, by M. C. Dettman, "IRE Trans. PGVC." Dec. 1956, 5 pp.

Automatic Programming in Small A-M Stations, by E. C. Miller. "El." Feb. 1, 1957. Subsonic tones recorded with program material on tape, and the time delay at the end of a musical selection serve to actuate an automatic control system controlling an Ampex tape recorder and a Seeburg automatic music system.

A Visual Communication System, by V. I. Weihe, B. R. Boymel, and S. C. Feild, Jr. "IRE Trans. PGAP." Dec. 1956. 5 pp. An analysis of air-traffic-control problems leads the authors to conclude that a direct viewed bright storage tube display method offers advantages over electromechanical indicators for ground-air data transmission.

Reference Generator for SSB Systems, by M. I. Jacob. "El." Feb. 1, 1957.



#### COMPONENTS

Selection and Application of Precision Film Resistors, by P. Nyul and C. Wellard. "El. Des." Feb. 15, 1957. 3 pp.

Relay Contact Life in Central Offices, by A. P. Goetze. "Bell Rec." Feb. 1957. 4 pp. The amount of erosion per operation is proportional to the amount of energy dissipated at the contacts. Studies of erosion characteristics of various contact metals provide data for longer life and higher reliability contacts. Coding 'Tool for Translator Cards, by E. Graf. "Bell Rec." Feb. 1957. 4 pp. In direct distance dialing, automatic switching centers obtain routing information from coded cards. In larger centers, as many as 10,000 such cards may be needed. Card blanks are made from sheets of thin chromium-plated steel with 40 tabs on the lower edge and 118 holes arranged over the card face. A machine has been devised for coding these cards.

Miniaturized High-Altitude, High-Temperature Connectors, by C. H. Stuart and R. F. Dorrell. "IRE Trans. PGCP." Dec. 1956. 5 pp.

Solenoids for Airborne Applications, by A. S. Gutman. "E. & R. Eng." Feb. 1957. 4 pp. A formula is derived for the optimum dimensions of a single-turn solenoid, taking into account its own weight and that of associated power-generating equipment. Various forms of practical multi-turn solenoids are considered, and foil-wound constructions are selected, because of their greater space efficiencies than wire-wound types. Heat transfer is considered.

Printed Circuits for Military Equipment, by J. K. Scott. "El. Des." Feb. 15, 1957. 4 pp. The different layout techniques, materials, components, and packaging required for military equipment are discussed.

Multipurpose Evaporated Metal Film Resistors, by S. J. Stein. "IRE Trans. PGCP." Dec. 1956. 6 pp. Evaporated metal film resistors are described which have been prepared on ceramic bases which have properties that compare favorably with wirewound resistors.

Transducer Characteristics, by H. G. M. Spratt. "E.& R. Eng." Jan. 1957. 7 pp. The principles of transducers for vibration and strain are reviewed.

The Application of Large Capacitors for Use in Energy Storage Banks, by D. F. Warner. "IRE Trans. PGCP." Dec. 1956. 8 pp. The information presented here establishes the criteria for selection of large banks of capacitors under the most favorable economic and technical conditions, along with an assurance of reliable performance without excessive unused safety factor dollars.

Synchro and Resolver Performance Definitions, by L. A. Knox. "IRE Trans. PGCP." Dec. 1956. 11 pp. The author presents a consistent set of fundamental synchro and resolver definitions, with some application notes.

Closer Crystal Oven Temperature Control, by M. D. McFarlane and R. B. Metz. "El. Des." Feb. 15, 1957. 3 pp. The article concerns itself primarily with applications of the changeof-state principle to obtain increased temperature stability for electronic components. One example is an oven surrounded by a quantity of paradibromobenzene or paradiethoxybenzene which is capable of maintaining oven temperatures at the melting points of the salts to within plus-or-minus 0.015 degrees Centigrade.

The Impedance of Condensers as a Function of Frequency, by J. P. Mayeur. "Cab. & Trans." Jan. 1957. 10 pp. A study of the impedance variation of condensers with frequency allows determination of their natural resonance frequencies. Results of calculation are applied to the various considered types of condensers and compared with those of experience and are found in good agreement with the latter.

Automatic Interpolation with Spiral-Scale Dials, by C. D. Berger. "El. Des." Feb. 1, 1957. 4 pp.

Carrier-Frequency Transformers for Pl Carrier, by D. Ribett. "Bell Rec." Feb. 1957. 3 pp. Special carrier-frequency transformers have been developed which achieve a substantial gain in miniaturization, to keep up with size reductions in other components, and yet permit wideband transmission. Make Printed Circuits for \$100, by N. C. Hekimian and R. E. Robinson. "El. Ind." April 1957. 2 pp. Using the Ozalid method, anyone can make good quality printed circuits that are ideal for model labs and low volume production.

New Method of Evaluating Ferro-Inductors, by W. J. Polydoroff. "El. Ind." April 1957. 3 pp.

The Selection of the Allowable Deviations of Parameters in Radio-Engineering Equipment Units, by N. F. Vollerner. "Radiotek." Nov. 1956. 10 pp. The paper examines the problems of the interchangeability of elements of radioengineering units which are mass produced. Certain concepts are advanced regarding the selection of tolerances for electrical radio-engineering parameters of radio equipment. An example is given of the computation of tolerances for the electrical parameters of power and output transformers.



COMPUTERS

Generalization of the Dynamic Equations of a Complex Power System and the Utilization of an Electronic Computer for Analyzing the Stability, by L. V. Tsukernik. "Avto. i Tel." Jan. 1957. 12 pp. The equations for the perturbed motion of a complex power system are presented in matrix form, while taking into account the automatic excitation control of synchronous machines which are operating in parallel; the paper refers to application of computing units for stability analysis. A simplified method for programming the computation of the coefficients of the characteristic equation is given. A realizable logical programming system for computing the boundaries of the region of stability in the parameter plane is described. The program can be used for dynamic systems of any type if the corresponding equation of perturbed motion can be obtained.

The Design and Applications of a General-Purpose Analogue Computer, by R. J. A. Paul and E. L. Thomas. "J. BIRE." Jan. 1957. 25 pp. Various design and construction factors are considered, with particular attention to the effects of finite amplifier gain, bandwidth, and phase shift. An indication is given of the lines along which analog computers may develop in the future, and of other possible applications.

Considerations on the Principles of Universal Numerical Computers, by F. H. Raymond. "Onde." Jan. 1957. 11 pp. The object of the paper is to explain to the non-specialist a number of basic principles applying to the operation of universal numerical computers. The author deals, in particular, with the physical representation of numbers, with the principles on which digital computing is based and with the automatic aspects of programmed computer operation. This paper is of a purely introductory nature, and for that reason, deliberately ignores actual processes of calculation.

Ferrite Apertured Plate for Random Access Memory, by J. A. Rajchman. "Proc. IRE." March 1957. 10 pp. Multiple ferrite memory cores can be replaced by a thin ferrite plate with a regular array of round holes. Metallic plating on the surface of the ferrite plate can provide the necessary current conductors. The result is a ferrite memory plate with printed windings which requires much less time and labor for making, testing, and assembling than conventional magnetic core memories. The plates open the possibility of random access

memories with capacities of millions of bits, or lower capacity memories of extremely small size.

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The Junction Transistor as a Computing element, by E. Wolfendale, L. P. Morgan, and W. I. Stephenson. "El. Eng." Feb. 1957. 5 pp. Article describes an emitter coupled bistable circuit which can be triggered or used as a source of trigger voltages with better action than the standard Eccles-Jordan circuit. A transistor blocking oscillator and several coincidence gating circuits using transistors are described.

Deriving Information from Magnetic Memories without Deletion, by A. Darré. "Freq." Jan. 1957. 9 pp. This is a detailed discussion of the "Transfluxor" on the basis of the behavior of magnetic field lines.

Thermal Circuit Simulation Practice in Nuclear Reactor Plant Control, by C.-P. Caillet. "Onde." Jan. 1957. 5 pp. Papers given on the occasion of the Brussels Journées de Calcul Analogique can be divided into four distinct sections

1) Description of computers by makers and users.

2) History of the development of analog methods.

a) Considerations on present methods and their future developments.
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4) Reports on results obtained to date in various fields of application with simulation techniques.

M. C.-P. Caillet's report deals with this last section. It describes how simulated nuclearreactor kinetic performance implies the simulation of thermodynamic phenomena. The report includes a study of several representations and formulations used to express the thermal exchange process over the transition periods.



#### CONTROLS

Investigation of the Dynamics of Pulse-Relay Automatic Control Systems, by V. P. Kazakov. "Avto. i Tel." Jan. 1957. 13 pp. Methods are given for determining the self-oscillations and transient responses which occur in pulse-relay systems; these methods are based upon the frequency and time characteristics of the continuous portion of the system. The paper describes an approximate method for determining the self-oscillations, which involves the use of the first harmonic of the output of the pulserelay element; a method is given for taking the higher harmonics into account. Computed results are compared with experimental results.

The Stabilization of Nonlinear Servomechanisms Encountered in Antenna Instrumentation, by J. Bacon. "RE Trans. PGAC." Feb. 1957. 10 pp. An investigation of the problem of compensating the loop-gain of instrument servos to provide uniform transient response over a wide dynamic operating range.

On the Design of A-C Networks for Servo Compensation, by H. Levenstein. "IRE Trans. PGAC." Feb. 1957. 17 pp. This paper presents an analytical method for analysis and synthesis of networks for ac servo compensation. The response of a linear network to a modulated suppressed-carrier excitation is formulated in terms of in-phase and quadrature carrier components. The relationship between the modulation on these components and the exciting modulation is shown to depend upon operators simply related to the original network function.

A Survey of Techniques for the Analysis of Sampled-Data Control Systems, by G. J. Murphy, "IRE Trans. PGAC." Feb. 1957, 12 pp. Heat Control in Electronic Equipment, part 2, by E. N. Shaw. "El. Eng." Feb. 1957. 6 pp. Article examines heat-flow problems in rack mounted equipment, plotting constant-temperature contours for various configurations of components with different arrangements for conduction. convection, and radiation of the generated heat. The importance of minimizing the removal of heat from the chassis by vertical flow, and techniques for improving the removal of heat are discussed. Diagrams of typical heat distributions are included.

Final Value Controller Synthesis, by M. V. Mathews. "IRE Trans. PGAC." Feb. 1957. 11 pp. A method is presented for synthesizing a type of control system designated as a final time controller. This device is a feedback control system that is designed to achieve a desired response at one time only. the response at earlier times being arbitrary within physical limits. The final time controller developed is a time varying, nonlinear system.

A Positioning Servomechanism With a Finite Time Delay and a Signal Limiter, by D. H. Evans. "IRE Trans. PGAC." Feb. 1957. 12 pp. The author analyzes an idealization of a servomechanism which is used in a digital positioning circuit. The loop consists of an ideal integrator, a finite time delay, and a nonlinear signal limiting element.

Digital Time and Sequency Control, by M. L. Klein, F. K. Williams, and H. C. Morgan. "Instruments and Automation." Dec. 1956. 5 pp. A binary-wired switch is used to form simple trunking of a matrix line. Four sets of such switches. with relays, control a sequency of events in the variable-interval automation controller described here.

Fundamental Equations for the Application of Statistical Techniques to Feedback-Control Systems, by G. A. Biernson. "IRE Trans. PGAC." Feb. 1957. 25 pp. The autocorrelation function of the output is computed by a transient technique which treats the input autocorrelation function as a transient input to the system. By transforming this procedure, equations are developed for relating the spectral densities of the input and output, and a means of performing the computation on an analog computer is presented.

#### INDUSTRIAL ELECTRONICS

Transistorized Guidance System Feeds Chickens, by S. Knight. "El." Feb. 1, 1957. 3 pp. A slow-moving battery-powered cart is guided by the magnetic field from a single conductor buried in the floor. The conductor carries about one ampere of a-c current. Error signals are developed by transistorized circuitry and control a steering motor.

The Circuit Development of a Heavy-Duty Dynamic Balancing Machine, by L. H. Vale. "J. BIRE." Jan. 1957. 18 pp.

Capacitance Pickup Measures Small Forces, by J. Dimeff and T. B. Fryer. "El." Feb. 1, 1957. 3 pp. A capacity pickup is used instead of the conventional movable contact of a potentiometer, thus eliminating the friction of a physical contact. The potentiometer resistance is energized by an a-c current.

Precision Spotwelder Handles Metal Foils, by W. W. Robinson. "El." Feb. 1, 1957. 2 pp. Carefully controlled amounts of electrical energy are stored in capacitor banks. These are discharged through a thyratron and the primary of a transformer. The transformer secondary is connected to the welding electrodes. The control of welding energy is precise and very thin materials can be handled. A Study of Electrolysis Danger in Paris-Lyon Railwayside Cables and of Their Protection Means, by M. Via aron. "Cab. & Trans." Jan. 1957. 10 pp. The study leads to the conclusion that insulating sl eves do not appear to afford sufficient protection. The adoption of cathodic protection devices is suggested.



#### MATERIALS

Microwave Ferrite Phase Shifter, by S. Sensiper. "Proc. IRE." March 1957. 1 p. This note reports some of the results of tests on a new ferrite phase shift device which appears to have promise as a sideband modulator or as part of a high speed switch.

**Progress in Ferrite Materials, "E. & R. Eng."** Feb. 1957. 6 pp. A survey of recent advances in ferrite technology.

Ferromagnetic Granular Structures, by P. M. Prache. "Cab. & Trans." Jan. 1957. 34 pp. Magnetic materials commonly used in telecommunications practically consist of compact granular structures, the grain diameter of which does not exceed about 10 micrins. In such granular structures, there probably does not exist any systematic wall formation and it is thus possible to set up a coherent theory of ferromagnetic phenomena by admitting that the domains are constituted by the grains themselves, as was suggested in 1907 by Pierre Weiss.

Impulse Voltage Strength of Oil Immersed Insulation, by H. F. Jones. "El. Energy." Dec. 1956. 7 pp.

Some Problems of Aluminum Connexion, by C. T. Marx. "El. Energy." Dec. 1956. 4 pp. Methods and problems of connecting aluminum are discussed and attention drawn to differences in practice between copper and aluminum connection technic les.

Impregnation of Toroids for High-Temperature Service, by E. O. Deimel. "IRE Trans. PGCP." Dec. 1956. 3 pp. Two materials have been used successfully for vacuum impregnation of magnetic amplifiers and similar devices for continuous operation at 325°F or higher. Complete impregnation, even though layers of interwinding tape, has been achieved. One material discussed is an undiluted silicone rubber capable of withstanding 500°F continuously. The other is a rizid, filled epoxy resin using a nonvolatile hardener, which will withstand 325°F continuously.

Harnessing Ferrites for Electronics, by H. W. Katz and E. B. Mullen. "GE Rev." Nov. 1956. 6 pp. This is a fairly elementary general review of ferrites and their applications in computing and microwave.

Materials Used in Radio and Electronic Engineering, The Electrodeposition of Metals. "J. BIRE." Jan. 1957. 14 pp.

A CsI (TI)-Crystal Surgical Scintillation Probe, by C. C. Harris et. al. "Nucleonics." Nov. 1956. 3 pp.



#### MEASURING & TESTING

Radial Shunt is Used for Measuring 100,000-Ampere Pulses, by H. Bruce McFarlane. "El. Ind." April 1957. Large, high-frequency, shortpulse currents, normally beyond the capabilities of a measuring instrument are measured to an average error of  $2\frac{1}{2}\frac{6}{2}$  with a noninductive radial shunt in conjunction with an oscilloscope.



From Havana to Santiago—by Microwave, by Morton L. Long. "El. Ind. Op. Sect." April 1957. 2 pp. The author describes the problems and solutions in providing a television link across Cuba.

TV Compares Photographic Data, by E. J. Oelbermann. "El. Ind." April 1957. 2 pp. Two films, differing widely in size, can be compared by superimposition on a TV monitor. Error is as low as 1%, making the method ideal for aerial survey interpretation.

Determining the Region of Stable Operation for an Inertial System of Television Synchronization, by Iu. N. Bakaev, P. I. Kuznetsov. "Radiotek." Nov. 1956. 8 pp. This paper solves the problem of the stability of the inertial synchronizing unit which was examined in a previous paper. A great deal of attention is devoted to the composition and subsequent averaging of the differential equations for the unit, since neglecting the mathematical details previously led to inaccuracies. The method of the nean is used to derive an estimate for the boundaries of the stable operating region of the system. A modified small parameter method is proposed for the purpose of investigating an aperiodic regime.

Practical Circuits for Junction Transistor Video Amplifiers, by T. M. Agakhanian, Iu. A. Volkov. "Radiotek." Nov. 1956. 7 pp. Practical circuits are given for junction transistor video amplifiers, based on tupe PIE and PII transistors. The circuits incorporate current feedback for the purpose of reducing the distortion of the pulse edges.

Properties of Very Thin Leaves of Glucinium and Their Applications to the Modulation of Light and to Television, by M. Auphan. "Onde." Dec. 1956. 6 pp. By evaporation in vacuum it is possible to obtain leaves of glucinium, with both surfaces free and having a thickness between 200 and 1000 A. The process is to deposit the glucinium by evaporation on to a temporary support which can be sublimed, and which, after evaporation, leaves the leaf free. Gratings can be used during evaporation and interesting structures may result; in particular, a leaf of glucinium can be stretched parallel to a glass support and at a very small distance from it. This distance can be maintained constant by a number of separators. If an electron flux impinges on such a structure, it passes through the leaf, which is deformed by the electrostatic force caused by secondary emission. In this way a light modulator is obtained which can be used in monochrome or color television.

Automatic Level Control for Film Systems, by W. L. Hurford. "IRE Trans. PGBTS." Feb. 1957. 5 pp. Film-TV systems are vulnerable to sudden changes in film density. A system is described for automatic compensation for film density.

Television Receiver for Metric Waves, by V. Biggi. "Onde." Dec. 1956. 10 pp. The author examines the problem of designing a receiver intended for long distance direct reception of a television signal from a main transmitter radiating on metric waves. The quality of the signal given by the receiver, both video and sound, must be good enough to modulate a satellite transmitter.

After having given particular attention to the design of the input circuit in order to give a low noise factor, and to the selectivity requirements imposed by asymmetric sideband reception, the author suggests an original method of automatic gain control for positive modulation.

An application of this method illustrates how direct reception provides a simple means for the transmission of the signal to a point for re-radiation. The Possibilities of Reduced Television Bandwidth, by S. Deutsch. "IRE Trans. PGBTR." Oct. 1956. 14 pp. Present TV standards evolved from efforts to make TV "as good as the movies," as economically as possible. The result was a 4 mc bandwidth. In the present article, Mr. Deutsch has approached the problem from the other end: given the 50 kc bandwidth of tape recorders at 15 ips, and the similar bandwidth of high-quality telephone lines—find TV standards for maximized entertainment value, within limits of engineering practice and economy. The result of his deliberations is a thorough analysis of the possibilities for reduced TV bandwidth.

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#### THEORY

Flow Line Analysis, by Richard B. Hurley. "El. Ind." April 1957. 2 pp. Flow line analysis provides a pictorial analysis of transistor switching circuits which serves as a check on calculations of circuit parameters. Practical engineers will welcome this method of visualizing what goes on inside a switching transistor.

The Problem of a Geometric Proof of the Shannon Theorem, by E. L. Blokh, A. A. Kharkevich. "Radiotek." Nov. 1956. 12 pp. In previous papers the attempt to compose a geometric proof of the theorem concerning carrying capacity has led to a divergence from the generally known result obtained by Shannon. Further investigation has shown that the cause of this divergence is the assumption of an incorrect geometric model; this present paper clarifies problems which are associated with this proof.

Transient Regimes in Contact-Relay Circuits. by Ya. I. Mekler. "Avto. i Tel." Jan. 1957. 12 pp. The paper examines the disruption of circuit operation when adding zero and when multiplying by one. A method is given which permits such disruptions to be avoided and allows reliable circuits to be constructed. This method makes it possible to easily transform circuits which require overlapping contacts, or. conversely, circuits which require non-overlap into normal circuits which are free from these requirements.

One Method of Determining Desired Logarithmic Frequency Responses, by P. S. Matveev. "Avto. i Tel." Jan. 1957. 7 pp. The paper provides a method for determining desired logarithmic frequency responses. A chart is provided for evaluating overregulation, and example are given which show that it is possible to use this method for different types of practical applications.

Solution of Algebraic Equations: Real Roots. "E. & R. Eng." Feb. 1957. 2 pp. A routine is outlined for finding the real roots of an equation—the description is intended as an aid for the engineer who "does not have to do this every day."

Survey of the Computations Concerning Filters with Losses According to the Operational-Parameter Theory, with a Particular View to Band-Pass Filters in Crossed Connection, by C. Kurth. "Freq." Jan. 1957. 6 pp. This continuation of an article published in the preceding issue of this magazine, deals with the mathematical representation of the transmission properties of four-terminal networks. Formulas are derived, and tables with coordinated filter sections and formulas are included.

Eight Network Theorems and Their Applications, by V. V. L. Rao. "J. ITE." Dec. 1956. 12 pp. This is a textbook presentation of: superposition theorem, Thevenin's theorem, Notron's theorem, compensation theorem, maximum power transfer theorem, reciprocity, theorem, Bartlett's bisection theorem, and Foster's reactance theorem. Calculation of Capacitance, by D. Harrison. "E. & R. Eng." Jan. 1957. 5 pp. The method of geometrical inversion is applied to the determination of the capacitance between long parallel circular conductors. Formulae are derived for the capacitance between a long cylindrical conductor and an infinite plane conductor parallel to the axis of the cylinder, between parallel cylindrical conductors, and between eccentric cylinders. The application of the inversion technique to field plotting and calculation of maximum voltage gradient is described.

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Molecular Amplification and Generation of Microwaves, by J. P. Wittke. "Proc. IRE." March 1957. 26 pp. The author presents a general introduction to the field of amplification and generation of microwaves using molecular rather than electronic processes.

Non-Linear Circuit Equation, by J. Irving and N. Mullineux. "E. & R. Eng." Feb. 1957. 3 pp. Details are given of a way of solving non-linear equations by a perturbation method. A numerical method is also described and employed as a check.

Graphical Method of Determining the Efficiency of Two-Port Networks, by E. F. Bolinder. "Proc. IRE." March 1957. 1 p.

On the Statistics of Individual Variations of Productivity in Research Laboratorics, by W. Shockley, "Proc. IRE." March 1957. 12 pp. Dr. Shockley, writing while Deputy Director and Research Director of the Weapons Systems Evaluation Group, Dept. of Defense, has presented some facts about research productivity, and draws some important conclusions regarding the causes of variation of productivity among research workers.



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How Tubes Are Named, by D. Kaufman. "El. Ind." April 1957. 2 pp. This is a description of procedures followed in JETEC type designation.

28 MeV Electron-Accelerator Project for the C.E.N. (French Center for Nuclear Research) at Saclay, by Leboutet, Picard, Vastel. "Onde." Jan. 1957. 8 pp. The authors review the various considerations that motivated the choice of an accelerator of that type, giving basic design data. This accelerator plant consists of 3 cavity klystron HF sources, accelerator-guide consisting of a succession of  $\pi/2$  cavities, external shield of concrete material providing complete radiation-proofing and supporting the focussing coils, Pierce type electron gun, mutually synchronized modulators, overall protection against radiation leakage provided by concrete work embodying lead slabs for local sheating reinforcement.

Strong Focussing in Particle Accelerators— Alternating Gradient Synchrotrons, by P. Lapostolle. "Onde." Jan. 1957. 7 pp. Alternating gradient focussing, otherwise known as strong focussing action, is a very recent invention, but it has opened up a new way of making high energy particle accelerators, and several large synchrotrons using this principle are under construction or under consideration in the world. In this article the various theoretical and practical problems which arise in setting this principle to work are considered in turn: the stability of the oscillation, transition energy, resonance, nanufacturing tolerances. The article concludes with a description of a 200 meter diameter synchrotron which is under construction at CERN (Geneva).

The Stability of Oscillations of a Triode, by L. Sideriades. "Onde." Jan. 1957. 7 pp. In the 2nd order differential equation governing

the oscillations of a triode, the non-linear term due to the tube characteristic is of the first order, and the associated parameters are subject to discontinuities. The analysis depends on the topological method applied to an equivalent dynamic system, and the use of isoclines enables a complete study of the phase plan to be carried out, showing the cyclic limits where stable oscillation takes place. Finally, an experimental presentation demonstrates the integral curves on the screen of an oscilloscope.



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Complete copies of the selected patents described below may be obtained for \$.25 each from the Commissioner of Patents, Washington 25, D. C.

Four-Loop VOR Antenna, by S. R. Anderson, H. F. Keary and W. L. Wright. CAA. June 1953. 14 pp. photo, drawings, diagrs., graphs, table. Mi \$2.40, ph. \$3.30. (LC) (PB 123578). This report presents the results of the development and operational tests conducted at TDEC on the four-loop VOR antenna system. Except for the antenna, standard VOR equipment and a 35-foot diameter counterpoise 15 feet in height were used for the tests. Results from similar tests on a standard five-loop VOR at the same site are included for comparison.

Point-Contact Transistor Life Test Under Pulse Conditions, by J. A. Di Giorgio. USAF Communications Laboratory, Bedford, Mass. Feb. 1966. 21 pp. diagrs., graphs. (OTS) 75 cents. (OTS) (PB 121560). Working data were obtained by taking periodically voltage marvins of the emitter and collector supply voltages on a group of 30 high-speed nonsaturating flipflop circuits. Three types of transistors were used for the test. Some life test results of 16 stages of regenerative pulse amplifier circuit, employing transistors which have gone over the 5000 hour mark, are also included.

Power Supply Characteristics and Standards for Transistorized Airborne Electronic Equipment, by A. B. Jacobsen. Motorola, Inc. Dec. 120 pp. diagrs., graphs, tables. (OTS) \$3. 1955 (OTS) (PB 121525). In order to derive a tentative standard supply voltage for transistorized electronic equipments, this report presents the problems associated with the operation of such equipments from various sources of primary The result of this study is a recompower. mendation for adoption by the Air Force of a standard power-supply output rating of 18 volts dc. A power-supply designed according to the specifications outlined in this report would function equally well from either an alternating-current (a-c) or d-c power line in an aircraft; from vehicular power sources, or from batteries.

Study of the Memory Requirements of Sequential Switching Circuits, by D. A. Huffman. MIT. Mar. 1955. 30 pp. diagrs., tables. Mi \$2.70, ph \$4.80. (LC) (PB 123217). The number of elementary binary memory devices necessary for the realization of an arbitrary asynchronous sequential switching circuit is considered. The least upper bound is discovered to be approximately equal to twice the greatest lower bound. The minimum conceivable interstate transition time of a single memory element. A solution which achieves this minimum time is derived and its relationship to the Hamming singleerror correcting code is shown. The fundamental limitations of error correction schemes which compensate for malfunctioning of memory elements are discussed.

Telemetering Notch Antenna 225.0 Mc/Sec Aerobee Hi Rocket, by H. W. Haas. New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. Feb. 1956. 39 pp. photos, diagrs., graphs. Mi S3, ph \$6.30. (LC) (PB 122373). The design and development of a 225.0 mc notch antenna for the Aerobee Hi rocket is presented. A detailed radiation pattern study has been made of the antenna installed in a full scale size rocket mockup. The radiation patterns have been measured for linear, right circular and left circular polarization. Measured power contour plots are presented to show the distribution of power in the aft region of the antenna, rocket mockup and antenna range facilities are included in this report. Electrical and mechanical details of the antenna are shown by the drawings.

Study of Type and Frequency of Communication Messages Aboard Naval Vessels, by L. Doty, T. D. Hanley and M. D. Steer. Purdue University. Apr. 1955. 37 pp. tables. Mi \$3, ph \$6.30. (LC) (PB 123753). To determine the efficiency of voice communications systems aboard Naval vessels, recordings of messages transmitted during actual Naval operations were analyzed. The frequency of occurrence of various types of messages was tallied and the relative contribution of each message in terms of the information transmitted was determined.

Analysis and Matching of a Trimode Turnstile Waveguide Junction, by R. S. Potter. NRL. Dec. 1955. 51 pp. diagrs., tables. \$1.50. (OTS) (PB 111867). The microwave junction studied in this report is a lossless seven-port variation of a turnstile waveguide junction with a coaxial port opposite and centered on the axis of the circular waveguide. The junction's scattering matrix, the normal modes, the normal mode scattering coefficients, the equations relating the elements of the scattering matrix to each other, and the equations re ating the elements of the scattering matrix to the normal mode scattering coefficients are determined.

Corrective Line Sources for Paraboloids, by C. J. Sletten, R. B. Mack, W. G. Mavroides and H. M. Johanson. USAF. Antenna Laboratory, Bedford, Mass. Dec. 1955. 53 pp. photos, diagrs., graphs. Mi \$3.60, ph \$9.30. (LC) (PB 122216). The notably poor wide-angle focusing characteristics of the paraboloidal reflector can be improved by corrective line sources. Studies of the caustic surfaces and focal fields of the reflector have led to the development of (1) a straight line source suitable for generating fanshaped microwave beams, and (2) line sources that produce a pencil beam at a given acute angle with the axis of the reflector.

Detection of Separations Between Adjacent Signals on a Simulated PPI Radar Scope, by R. M. Herrick, H. E. Adler, J. E. Coulson and G. L. Howett. Columbia University. July 1955. 28 pp. diagr., graphs, tables. 75 cents. (OTS) (PB 121470). A simulated Plan Position Indicator (PPI) scope was used to evaluate the effects of a number of visual variables upon the minimum signal luminance increment required for the detection of a separation between two identical signals. Series-Tube Core Memory, by E. J. Otis. USAF Computer Laboratory, Bedford, Mass. Sept. 1955. 44 pp. photos, diagrs., graphs. \$1.25 (OTS) (PB 121558). Usefulness of magnetic cores as components of digital equipment, especially in the buffer and permanent storage sections, is evident by their incorporation in many of the existing digital data-handling systems. One of the problems in using magnetic cores for pe manent high-speed storage is that of selecting the few cores representing a storage register and then providing the high currents necessary for reading out or writing information into this register. This paper solves the problem with the following assump-This paper tions; (a) the achievement of speeds comparable to those of presently available memories; (b) minimizing the number of vacuum tubes used; (c) the selection to be done external to the memory cores. This last assumption would make the memory system independent of core characteristics and would not require a matching of the cores used. This solution requires a diode to be used with each core. The resulting core memory achieves a random access time of two microseconds. It requires 3n + K driving tubes for n2, K-bit storage registers.

Sensitive Method for Studying Gyromagnetic Media, by R. S. Hebbert. U. S. Nav. Ord. Lab. Aug. 1954. 14 pp. photos, drawing, diagrs., table. Mi \$2.40, ph \$3.30. (LC) (PB 122049). Apparatus is described sensitive to Faraday rotations as small as one one-thousandth of a degree. It was constructed to aid in the development and confirmation of a theory of the susceptibility tensor of multiple sublattice ferrites. Several such ferrites were studied but this report is concerned mainly with the experimental techniques necessary to achieve high sensitivity rather than the results of these investigations.

Starting-Current Analysis of Monotrons With a Cylindrical  $TM_{010}$  Resonator, by H. D. Arnett and A. J. Ruhlig. NRL. Sept. 1956. 20 pp. diagrs., graphs, table. 50 cents. (OTS) (PB 121402). An electron beam, unmodulated in velocity, can excite cavity oscillations in a single-cavity resonator by converting some of its kinetic energy into electromagnetic energy. For interaction between electron beam and cavity fields, there must be an electric field component in the direction of motion of the electrons. The simplest such modes are the cylindrical TM<sub>010</sub> modes. A calculation has been made of the minimum current required for the start of oscillations in the four lowest modes of this type. This type of oscillator is especially suited to millimeter wavelengths because of the relative ease of cavity fabrication, provided currents of about an ampere can be provided.

#### PATENTS

Optical Scanner, #2,778,872. Inv. A. Nyman. Assigned to Alden Products Co. Issued Jan. 22, 1957. An elongated illuminating line of elemental width is focused on the original in a facsimile apparatus, defining the width of the line. A scanning aperture positioned between the original and the copy is movable lengthwise of the illuminating line so that its width defines the other dimension of the elemental scanning area. An optical system focuses an image of the illuminated line onto the moving aperture. Hence both dimensions of the elemental area may be independently focused.

Frequency Correcting Method and Apparatus, #2,778,877. Inv. R. S. Caruthers. Assigned Lenkurt Electric Co. Issued Jan. 22, 1967. A pilot signal of known frequency is incorporated in a band of message signals prior to its modulation onto a carrier whose frequency differs from its nominal value by a nominal error.

The pilot frequency is separated out and combined with a locally derived carrier to shift it outside the message signal band. The pilot and message signals are then intermodulated to develop two sidebands, one with twice the unknown error, the other with cancellation of the error, which later sideband is used.

Microphone, #2,778,881. Inv. D. H. Fryklund. Assigned Gulton Industries, Inc. Issued Jan. 22, 1957. A titunate ceramic disc is supported around its edge and mechanically flexed by a wave progressing in the direction of its axis. Two annular electrodes are mounted adjacent the edge of the disc and inwardly spaced therefrom, respectively; mechanical flexing will produce a voltage due to piezoelectricity.

Parallel Ampilfying System, #2,778,883. Inv. P.S.T. Buckerfield. Assigned The British Thomson-Houston Co., Ltd. Issued Jan. 22, 1957. The amplifier for dc and ac voltages comprises a dc and an ac amplifier. The input and coupling resistance capacitance networks are arranged to form a pair of T networks and proportioned to pass substantially uniformly and with inappreciable phase-shift dc and ac voltages up to the rejection frequency of the parallel T-filter network. Uniform amplification with negligible phase-shift is accomplished.

Semiconductor Signal Translating Devices, #2,778,885. Inv. W. Shockley. Assigned Bell Tel. Laboratories, Inc. Issued Jan. 22, 1957. One end section of a semiconductor has a conductivity at least several hundred times that of the remainder; this section is connected to the load, the opposite end constitutes the base. A pair of juxtaposed zones of the opposite conductivity type, defining a pair of rectifying junctions, is arranged in a constricted region intermediate these two opposing ends. The input is applied between this pair of zones as one terminal and the base as the other terminal.

Distributed Amplifier Transmission Line Terminations, #2,778,887. Inv. E. H. Bradley. Assigned Melpar. Inc. Issued Jan. 22, 1957. A plurality of tubes have their anodes connected to points of various delay on a transmission line. A matching impedance is interposed between the transmission line and the anode supply. This impedance consists of an elongated co-axial transmission line structure having relatively small reflection, flat uhf response, and negligible dc resistance.

Color Television Camera Stabilizing Circuit, #2,779,817. Inv. R. J. Stahl. Assigned Color Television, Inc. Issued Jan. 29, 1957. In a switching circuit, two diodes are connected in series between the adjacent cathode resistors of two preceding push-pull connected tubes for alternate conduction. A gating tube having a low internal impedance compared to the push-pull connected tubes is connected in parallel thereto is responsive to the trigger pulse to simultaneously bins both diodes to cut-off.

Electronic Vulcanization of Rubber, #2.779,847. Inv. G. P. Bosomworth. Assigned The Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. Issued Jan. 29, 1957. A plurality of articles of varying thickness is continuously heated in a high frequency field. These articles move between two parallel electrodes with their top surface parallel to and equally spaced from the top electrode and with their bottom surface electrically connected to the bottom electrode.

Synchronizing System for Color Television, #2,780,668. Inv. K. E. Farr, Ch. W. Baugh, and Ch. B. Heffron. Assigned Westinghouse Electric Corp. Issued Feb. 5, 1957. A rotor positions a succession of red, green and blue filters in front of a television picture screen. A dc control winding for the rotor drive is supplied with a voltage depending on the rotor speed and a comparison voltage derived by moving a magnetic body in inductive relation to an inductor winding; this voltage is correlated with the vertical synchronizing signal. Ultra-Sonic Wave Transducer, #2,779,880. Inv. G. Malherbe. Assigned Ateliers de Constructions Electriques Charleroi. Issued Jan. 29, 1957. Two frusto conical sections are coaxially arranged with their small ends adjoining, one end terminating in a wave-emitting section, the other end in flexible wall. The unit is filled with a wave-conducting medium. Waves from the emitting section are repeatedly reflected resulting in a highly concentrated beam and good directivity.

Dynamic Amplifier, #2,779,921. Inv. R. C. Hawes. Assigned Beckman Instruments, Inc. Issued Jan. 29, 1957. A low-current signal may be measured by applying it to a capacitor connected in series between a grid and anode of a tube. An ammeter and a capacitor are connected in series in the output circuit which also contains a switch.

Complex Pulse Communication System, #2,-779,933. Inv. E. M. Bradburd. Assigned International Telephone and Telegraph Corp. Issued Jan. 29, 1957. Three pulses are being transmitted, the ratio of the spacings between two adjacent pulses being K for all such groups of three pulses. The signalling means operate to vary the pulse spacing by given amounts while always maintaining the spacing ratio K.

Noise Actuated Disabling Unit, #2,779,935. Inv. C. L. Loudon and W. E. Riker. Assigned Holmes Electric Protective Co. Issued Jan. 29, 1957. Noise within a predetermined range is amplified and used to render an alarm mechanism inoperative and for producing a control signal which, after a predetermined time delay, operates to render the alarm circuit operative again.

Phasing System, #2,780,673. Inv. J. B. Singel. Assigned Westinghouse Electric Corp. Issued Feb. 5, 1957. A master oscillator feeds a first power amplifier and a transmission circuit connected to a second power amplifier, the two amplifiers supplying a common load. The phase and amplitude of the second power-amplifier output are adjusted to match those of the first power-amplifier output.

Resonant Circuit, #2,780,727. Inv. J. F. Dreyer. Assigned Telephonics Corp. Issued Feb. 5, 1957. A cylindrical rotatable and slidable tuning member extends axially into a resonant chamber. It carries an inductive element and cooperates with the opposing chamber walls to form a tubular capacitor, simultaneously providing support for the sliding and rotating tuning motion of the member. Inductance and capacitance are simultaneously varied as the member is rotated.

Raster Centering Control. #2,780,749. Inv. L. Dietch. Assigned Radio Corp. of America. Issued Feb. 5, 1957. A potential dividing resistor is connected between a choke and a winding on an output transformer; the other choke terminal being connected to the output transformer winding. The deflection winding extends between the adjustable contact of the potential dividing resistor and the common terminal of the choke and transformer winding. Thus the potentiometer is effective to control the dc component of the deflection current.

Semi-Conductor Network, #2,780,752. Inv. R. W. Aldrich, J. S. Schaffner, and J. J. Suran. Assigned General Electric Co. Issued Feb. 5, 1957. Each end of a semi-conductor is provided with predominantly bilaterally conducting electrodes, while a unilaterally conducting junction electrode is situated therebetween. A capacitor is connected between the junction electrode and one of the bilaterally conducting electrodes and an impedance hetween the junction electrode and the other of the bilaterally conducing electrodes.

Solar Energy Converting Apparatus, #2.780, 765. Inv. D. M. Chapin, C. S. Fuller and G. L. Pearson. Assigned Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc. Issued Feb. 5, 1957. Several silicon bodies are connected in series across the storage battery to be kept charged. Each silicon body includes an n-type zone contiguous with a p-type zone including a concentration of boron impurities: the thickness of the p-type zone being of the order of the diffusion length of the electrons therein. A rectifier is inserted in the circuit and poled to permit only charging current to pass. 1

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Self-Saturating Reactor Circuits, #2,780,772. Inv. B. Lee. Assigned Vickers Inc. Issued Feb. 5, 1957. The reactance winding of a saturable reactor is connected in series with a half-wave rectifier between the input and output circuits of a magnetic amplifier. A second winding on the reactor carries the ac control current. A second half-wave rectifier is connected in shunt to this second winding and so poled to permit current flow in a direction to establish a magnetic field opposed to that due to the current through the first half-wave rectifier.

Stabilized Direct Current Amplifier, #2,781,-419. Inv. V. F. Ragni. Assigned International Telephone and Telegraph Corp. Issued Feb. 12, 1957. The common cathode resistor of two tubes is connected to a negative potential, while one plate is grounded, the associated grid being connected to an intermediate potential point. The other plate is connected to a positive potential. The output is derived between the two plates, the input applied between the other grid and a similar intermediate potential point. A given change in bias on both grids will cause a greater current change in the grounded-plate tube than in the other tube.

Band-Pass Filter Circuit, #2,781,422. Inv. Ch. N. Hood. Assigned General Electric Co. Issued Feb. 12, 1957. The output of a first tube is simultaneously connected to the grid of a successive tube and to one terminal of a parallel-resonant filter. The frequency-selective filter output is fed to a second control electrode of the first tube and to the cathode of the second tube in a degenerative sense in both instances.

Amplifier Gain-Stabilization, #2,781,423. Inv. Ch. G. Kuczun and P. A. Husman. Assigned Laboratory for Electronics, Inc. Issued Feb. 12. 1957. Two parallel connected amplifiers accommodate slightly overlapping portions of a wide frequency spectrum. To stabilize the gain of one amplifier channel, a pilot signal is passed through this channel, the pilot signal frequency lying within the pass band of the other channel and outside the pass band of the fectively passed by the channel to be controlled. A gain control signal is derived from a comparison of the initial and the output pilot signal level.

Television Receiver, #2,781,475. Inv. G. W. Fyler. Assigned Motorola Inc. Issued Feb. 12. 1957. At least one high-voltage winding is inductively coupled to the deflection winding of an electromagnetic television beam deflection system. This high voltage is rectified to secure a high dc voltage.

Semiconductors and Methods of Making Same, #2,781,481. Inv. L. D. Armstrong. Assigned Radio Corporation of America. Issued Feb. 12, 1957. A metallic electrode is fused to the surface of an N-type semiconductive germanium wafer, and a P-N rectifying junction is disposed adjacent the electrode. The electrode consists of indium in which minor proportions of germanium and either gold. silver, copper or nickel are dissolved.

Helical Antenna System, #2,781,514. Inv. W. Sichak and J. J. Nail. Assigned International Telephone and Telegraph Corp. Issued Feb. 12, 1957. A helical radiator is conductively connected to a ground plane and mounted on a hollow cylindrical dielectric structure. The effective length of the helical conductor can be varied by shorting out adjustable lengths thereof. The input is applied through a coaxial transmission line at a predetermined distance from the position of the short.

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Altec Engineers Ravzin and Dach check the stereophonic control console

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2	.500	.750	.125	.440	.820	.195	15	1.500	2.500	. <b>50</b> 0	1.400	2. <mark>60</mark> 0	.600
37	.625	1.000	.188	.570	1.085	.262	16	1.625	2.000	.250	1.525	2.110	.330
3	.625	1.000	.250	.570	1.085	.340	17	2.000	2.500	.500	1.860	2. <mark>65</mark> 2	.610
5	.650	.900	.125	.5 <mark>85</mark>	.975	.195	58	2.000	3.000	1.000	1.860	3.152	1.188
79	.750	1.000	.250	:665	1.085	.340	76	2.000	3.000	.500	1.900	3.100	.610
7	.750	1.125	.188	.665	1.215	.262	18	2.500	3 000	.500	2.360	3. <mark>15</mark> 2	.610
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39	1.000	1.500	.250	.925	1.570	.320	22	2.500	3.750	1.500	2.313	3.938	1.688
62	1.000	1.500	.500	.925	1.570	.610	23	3.250	4.500	1.500	3.062	4.688	1.688
11	1.000	1.500	.375	.925	1.570	.445	77	3.250	5.000	1.500	3.062	5.188	1.688
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#### Television Engineering, Principles and Practice, Vol. 2

By S. W. Amos, B. Sc. (Hons.), A.M.I.E.E. and B. C. Birkinshaw, M.B.E., M.A., M.I.E.E. Published 1956 by the Philosophical Library, 15 E. 40th St., New York 16, 270 pages, Price \$15.00.

This volume describes the fundamental principles of video-frequency amplifiers and examines the factors which limit their performance at the extremes of the passband. A wide variety of circuits is described and particular attention is paid to the use of feedback. There is a section reviewing the special problems of camera-head amplifiers.

Because of the nature of the subject, the text is necessarily mathematical, but whenever possible, selfcontained mathematical derivations have been included as appendices at the end of chapters.

#### Transistor Engineering Reference Handbook

By H. E. Marrows. Published 1956 by John F. Rider Publisher, Inc., 116 W. 14th St., New York 11. 288 pages. Price \$9.95.

The book is divided into five major sections. The first section deals with the discussion of transistor materials, structures, and fabrication techniques. Coverage is given on the point contact, field effect, fieldistor, analog, antianalog, filamentary, junction avalanche, surface barrier, intrinsic barrier, and diffused layer transistor types.

In broadest terms, the book is planned to be used as a source book for technical information on transistors and components designed for usewith transistors, operating capabilities, performance characteristics, and sources of supply. It covers some 200 different types of transistors; components designed for transistorized equipments presented in this book are 450 capacitors, more than 100 cells and batteries, a selection of thermistors and a variety of miscellaneous components. This complete tabulation is a definite aid to the development. engineer and the purchasing agent in all transistorized equipment research and production.

#### Electrical Measurements and Their Applications

By Walter C. Michels. Published 1957 by D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc., 120 Alexander St., Princeton, N. J. 331 pages. Price \$6.75.

This work lays a solid groundwork in basic electrical measurements and techniques, and then examines applications in the measurement of quantities which are not primarily electrical.

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A highly significant chapter covers applications in nuclear physics, including the measurement of nuclear disintegration rates.

#### Relay Protection of Power Lines and Power Stations, 1st Volume.

By A. M. Fedossejew. Translated from Russian into German by Kourtiline and Werkmeister. Published 1955 by VEB Verlag Technik, Berlin, Germany. 329 pages.

The book is concerned with the relay protection of power lines and power stations and in particular with recent developments in Russia and the methods presently employed.

The type of mistakes and resulting disturbances, such as short-circuits, in the normal operation in over-head lines and cables are explained. Subsequently the various designs, involving relays, which operate a control circuit when the current in a line reaches a predetermined maximum, are considered.

Protective relay apparatus for parallel connected power stations and ring-connected lines are discussed in great detail. Since this type of station arrangement involves different time-delays for a pair of protective devices, depending on the position of the overload, relative phases must be taken into consideration.

A further type of protection in which the time delay depends on the distance is extensively treated. This type may be operated either in response to the voltage, the current, or the phase.

The text has been written with a view to assist in the selection of the best type of equipment in a special instance at hand.

#### **Books Received**

Basic Radio and Radio-Receiver Servicing

By P. B. Zbar & S. Schildkraut. Published 1956 by McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., 330 W. 42nd St., New York 36. 114 pages, paper bound. Price \$1.75.

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Mr. John B. DeWolf has joined the Fred F. Bartlett Co., 160 Morlyn Ave., Bryn Mawr, Pa.

Kendrick H. Lippitt of Earlville, N. Y., and Harry C. Howard, Jr., of Akron, O., have joined the sales force of D. S. Kennedy Co., Cohasset, Mass.

Air Supply Co. and Aero Eng. Co., Divisions of the Garrett Corp., have been appointed sales reps throughout the U. S. for the Mica Corp., Culver City, Calif.

Frank Malley, formerly sales manager, Fisher Radio Corp. of New York City, has formed Frank Malley & Associates, P. O. Box 1764, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Operating out of centrally located Albuquerque, they service the areas of Arizona, New Mexico and El Paso, Texas.

R. E. Thompson attained the one million dollar sales mark for one year as a rep with Kay Sales Co., Kansas City, Mo.

David Bogen Co., Inc., of Paramus, N. J., has appointed six new sales reps to handle Bogen and Presto Equipment. E. C. Wharfield and Leon S. Bush have been appointed as reps in the Rocky Mountain area; E. L. Berman Co. of San Francisco will represent Presto in Northern California; Michael Scott Co., Boston, will represent Presto in New England; Morris, Cunningham and Mitchell of Indianapolis will handle Indiana; W. H. Ellinger Sales Co. of Chicago, has been appointed to handle Illinois and the Eastern half of Wisconsin; Northwestern Agencies, Inc., has been appointed the Pacific Northwest.

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Harry P. Segel Co., Inc., has opened new ultra-modern quarters at \$86 Washington St., Brookline, Mass. The completely air-conditioned building boasts an entirely new concept in manufacturers' representation.

Robert E. Fowler has been appointed a sales rep for Magnetics, Inc., of Butler, Pa. He will cover areas in upstate New York as well as Erie, Warren and McKean Counties in Pennsylvania.

Perlmuth Electronics Associates finished 1956 as one of the top three sales reps for Raytheon Mfg. Company in distributor tube sales.

Vincent Puente has become associated with L&M Associates, 22-02 Raphael St., Fair Lawn, N. J., as sales engineer for Camden and Eastern Pennsylvania.

Koehler-Pasmore Co., 11833 Hamilton, Detroit, has completed negotiations with BARCO, Inc., of Milwaukee,, importers of miniature electronic capacitors and rectifiers, to represent them in the lower peninsula of Michigan.

Smith & Purdy Associates of 944 Main St., Walpole, Mass., are reps for Marconi Instruments, Ltd., in the New England States.

Ben Z. Rubin, 16222 Cheyenne Ave., Detroit 35, Mich., has been appointed rep for Industrial Development Labs, Inc., Jersey City 5, N. J.

LeeMark Associates have been appointed the engineering reps for Berkeley Div., Beckman Instruments, 2500 Fuller Road, Fullerton, Calif., and Waveline, Inc., 35 S. St. Clair, Dayton 2, Ohio, operating in Colorado, Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska.

Electro Sales Associates, Inc., Cleveland, O., announce the opening of a new sales office at 512 Orangewood Dr., Dayton 9, O. John F. Sheffs has been appointed manager of this office.

Tel-Instrument Electronics Corp., Carlstadt, N. J., has announced the appointment of three new sales reps: Instrument Dynamics, Inc., 6 Abbott Road, Wellesley Hills, Mass., will cover New England; Brimberg Associates, 1028 Connecticut Ave., Washington 6, D. C., will handle the territory of Delaware, Maryland, and Northern Virginia; and Cox Sales Co., 51 Ogden St., Denver, Colo., will cover Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, New Mexico, West Nebraska and El Paso, Texas.

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### **IRE** Sessions

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miniaturization — The Ultimate Technique" will discuss these problems fully Tuesday evening. Printed circuits have been a

boon to mass production of electronic equipment. New, more rapid methods of manufacturing printed circuits are being constantly sought. "An Automatic Dip Soldering Machine" is being presented by V. O'Gorman, United Shoe Machinery Corp., Beverly, Mass. This machine described fluxes. preheats, dip solders, cleans the residual flux from the boards and unloads automatically at a rate of 1,000 per hour. This discussion will take place Wednesday afternoon at the Coliseum.

Until recently, techniques for recording digital data on perforated tape had been perfected to meet the requirements of the communications industry. The recorder described in the paper "Design Considerations for Super Speed Perforate Tape Digital Recording" probably represents the first tape perforator designed for instrumentation as well as digital computer output data recording applications. Recordings of standard 5, 6, 7 or 8 whole code patterns can be reliably performed at controlled rates up to 240 codes per second. This paper should be of interest to computer engineers as well as people concerned with telemetering and remote control, The paper will be presented Thursday morning in Morse Hall at the Coliseum.

Microwave switches are the subject of 2 papers being presented Thursday morning in Faraday Hall at the Coliseum. "Fast Acting Microwave Switch" describes a novel mechanical microwave switch primarily applicable to low power circuitry. The switching time is in the order of 1 microsecond and the stop power attenuation is better than 60 db at all frequencies of the useful microwave spectrum. The other paper is "High Speed Ferrite Microwave Switches." Problems in the design of the microwave structure as well as electronic driving circuitry are discussed.



The photograph above compares the new Energizer cell with a shirt button. The tiny cell is designed to power an electric wrist watch for more than 12 months

#### **Avionic Report**

"Automatic Flight," released by The Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics, is a report of studies on the application of automatic flight techniques in takeoff, cruise, approach, landing, and taxiing. The report describes six categories of automatic flight and defines fundamental terms as a basis for automatic flight equipment nomenclature. Of special interest to avionic engineers are the detailed analysis of the final approach problem and the criteria for adjustment of ILS localizer facilities. Standards for localizer receiver output and autopilot coupler output characteristics are recommended.

#### Bendix Builds Minitrack Receivers

Minitrack radio receivers, so sensitive they can "hear" invisible stars, are in production at Bendix Aviation Corporation.

The ultra-sensitive Minitrack radio was designed and built originally by the Naval Research Laboratory to track the earth satellite. The original "Minitrack" system, along with 11 other receivers under construction by the radio division of Bendix in Baltimore, will be strategically placed up and down the American continents to tune in radio beams from the manmade moon as it orbits in space.

In its orbit around the world, the satellite's 13-ounce transmitter will transmit a radio signal on a frequency of 108 mc—at the upper end of the standard FM broadcast band—with a power of from 10 to 50 milliwatts. Radio equipment sensitive enough to receive this signal reportedly, can listen to radio "noise" originating on the sun—not ordinary sun-spot "static"—and detect the presence of stars that emit no visible energy.

The complete Minitrack radio receiving system being built by Bendix Radio will occupy six racks, each about the size of a filing cabinet. Each system will be housed in an air conditioned mobile trailer and receive signals picked up from eight antennas, separated by a few feet to 500 feet, at each of the receiving stations. By measuring the minute difference in time required for the satellite's signal (traveling at the speed of light) to reach each of several antennas, the position of the 20-inch sphere whirling 200 to 1500 miles above the earth will be pinpointed.

The United States earth satellite program calls for the launching of additional small, unmanned, earth-circling satellites as part of U. S. participation in the International Geophysical Year. The satellites will be used to collect data by scientific measurements in interplanetary space. Data will be obtained by radio signals coming from the instrument-packed 20-inch sphere and also by optical observation of the tiny "moon" as it orbits at 18,000 miles an hour -circling the earth about once every 90 minutes.

The earth satellite will provide scientists with information on the outer limits of the atmosphere, the characteristics of interplanetary space, solar radiation and its effects on weather and communications, cosmic rays, the density of dust and micrometeorites in outer space and precise data never before available on the size and shape of the earth.

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# **Printed Circuit**

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the order of 20 to 30 minutes. However, the process may be considerably speeded up by applying a spray or jet of ferric chloride to the plate rather than simply immersing it. Other common techniques for speeding the operation of etching are (a) heating the solution or (b) violent agitation. Both involve a certain amount of risk. The first one entails a risk of boiling and the resultant danger to personnel and equipment. The second entails the risk of splashing and spillage. To avoid these possibilities, it has been found possible to employ an electrolytic etching technique.

#### Electrolytic Etching

Electrolytic etching simply requires the connection of an external current source to the copper-clad plate and immersing another electrode in the etching solution. The copper-clad laminate is connected to the positive electrode and the other electrode is connected to the negative terminal. This cathode can be a carbon rod. A suitable source of power is a 12 v. storage battery. Although it is readily seen that the electrolytic etching cannot remove isolated portions of the conductor, nevertheless the saving in time achieved by etching down to a very thin residual layer is considerable.

The electrolytic action will assist in removing a large bulk of material that would otherwise have to be etched away. Once this large bulk has been removed, the normal etching procedure will go to completion and yield the desired finished product.

Care should be taken that the connection to the copper-clad laminate is made on an inconspicuous portion of the plate, where no damage will be done. Further, the copper under the connection will not be etched away. Removal of the copper that is shielded by the connection can be done in a variety of ways.

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(Continued from page 114) of setup and operation. Compared to photographic negatives, the Ozalid reversal foil is indeed inexpensive, costing approximately ten cents for an 8 x 10 in. sheet. The processing required may employ a conventional Ozalid machine or the manual method described.

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About the only disadvantages encountered in this system arise when extreme accuracy of reproduction is required. In these cases the photographic process which allows a 4:1 or greater reduction ratio from a large master drawing, may be desirable. However, this degree of accuracy is required only in a very small percentage of the cases. It should be noted that double side printed circuitry and through-plating of holes are no more difficult when using this process than they are in the conventional one.

The authors wish to thank Mr. William M. Martin for suggesting the use of electrolytic etching.

1 At present almost all known printed circuitry techniques employing the photo resist process use a carbon arc as a light source

2. For further information on the photo resist process see Eastman Kodak Com-pany's Bulletin, Industrial Uses of Kodak Photo Resist.

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# Personals

Alan R. Pearlman has been appointed Chief Engineer by Universal Atomics Corp., Westbury, L. I., N. Y.

John B. Suomala, Jr., of Concord, Mass., has joined the engineering staff of D. S. Kennedy & Co., Cohasset, Mass.

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Charles E. Arnold appointed manager of Sylvania's Avionics Laboratory at Waltham, Mass.

W. Dale Fuller has been appointed Director of Research as part of the Varo Mfg. Company's technical expansion program. He was Chief Electronics Engineer for Engineering Laboratories, Inc.





W. D. Fuller

E. Weiss

Eric Weiss, formerly senior staff physicist for Hughes Aircraft Co., has joined the engineering staff of Daystrom Systems Div. of Daystrom, Inc. He will concentrate on the application and usage of computers in automatic systems.

Alfred H. Grebe is now Chief Research and Development Engineer for Filtors, Inc., Port Washington, L. I., N. Y.

Paul D. Rockwell has been appointed Assistant Engineering Director for Design Engineering for Page Communications Engineers, Inc., Washington 5, D. C.

Donald E. Brown will now serve as Chief Engineer for the Glendale Div. of Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., Pasadena, Calif.

The appointments of Dr. Rolf W. Peter as Director of the Physical and Chemical Research Laboratory and Allen A. Barco as Director of the Systems Research Laboratory of RCA Laboratories were announced.

Lawrence L. Hardin, Jr.. has accepted a position as Advance Design Engineer with Stavid Engineering, Inc., Plainfield, N. J.

Walter T. Runiewicz is now Chief Components Engineer, and William D. Dunwody is Chief Systems Engineer for Clifton Precision Products Co., Inc., Clifton Heights, Pa. Bourns <u>NEW</u> Trimpot Jr.\*

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the receiver, consists pricipally of establishing the background noise level by disconnecting the antenna and adjusting the r-f gain control to obtain a value of -10 db on the output meter, reconnecting the antenna and recording the ambient interference, energizing the equipment to be tested and recording the meter reading at the interference level. In tests of this type, the Navy Department considers interference objectionable when the measured interference is 3 db greater than the ambient interference. The Army considers any interference exceeding the permissible levels cited in MIL-S-13237 as objectionable.

Prior to the initiation of tests, all of the 25 potential interference producing devices installed aboard the craft were placed in operation and examined to determine adequate functioning. It was found that the 24 v. dc battery charging system of the 5 kw engine-generator, the 2 kw motor generator set, and the heater were not operating in a satisfactory manner. For this reason, these devices were not included in the test program; however, because of the large number of equipments which were tested. the effect of the omission of these items were considered negligible.

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#### Test Results

The initial test results revealed that no objectionable interference was present over the frequency range of 14 KC to 0.15 MC and 220-400 MC as measured by the Navy equipments. The tests also revealed that the 120 v dc ship's generator and the tachometer of the two main engines emanated objectionable interference. This interference was present over the frequency range of 0.15 to 32.0 MC when measured with both Army and Navy equipments. The interference from the generator was traced to a broken capacitor lead at a generator brush and the omission of capacitors at the generator output terminals which, when corrected, attenuated the interference to an unobjectionable level on both Navy and Army equipments. The tachometer interference was found to be emanating from the 2 input and 4 output leads. The application of 0.1 µf by-pass capacitors at the input leads and 0.22 µf by-pass capacitors at the output leads satisfactorily attenuated this interference on all equipments.

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The last series of tests were performed with the positions of the low and medium frequency range Navy receivers interchanged and with 40 ft. horizontal wire antenna replacing the 9 ft. vertical whip. The receivers were interchanged to determine if interference in the VLF range could be detected in any other location. The horizontal antenna was used to simulate actual operating conditions aboard larger craft. The results of these tests indicated no substantial differences in the interference level compared

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to data obtained from tests conducted prior to the change of location.

Summarizing the test results, it was indicated that when the interference producing devices of a typical Army boat was equipped with by-pass type capacitors and power cable shielding, the grounding of which was ignored, adequate attenuation was furnished over the frequency range of 14 KC to 1000.0 MC.

#### Conclusions

The fact that no objectionable interference was recorded over the frequency range of 14 KC to 1000 MC by typical Navy communication receivers covering the frequency range of 14 KC to 32 MC and 220 to 400 MC and by Army test equipment covering the frequency range of 0.15 to 1000.0 MC when by-pass capacitors are properly used, even though the grounding of the power cable shielding was ignored, is of value to the procurement agencies and their contractors in possible evaluation of their interference reduction requirements. Of great interest to the interference reduction engineer, is the reason for and application of these results. A recent investigation conducted by the Navy Department is significant in this connection. This investigation consisted of a series of comparative interference tests on two identical wooden hull ships; one equipped with grounded metal sheathed electrical wiring and the other with unarmored cabling. The results of these tests proved that approximately 35 db shielding effect was furnished by the armored cable at frequencies below 2 MC and that this effect decreased to about 10 db at frequencies above 15 MC. The tests also indicated that direct radiation from the electrical machinery itself was not the most important factor but that the coupling of the interference emanating from the machinery to the wiring and thence to the receiving antennas contributed more than expected to the interference problem.

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(Continued from page 124) boat jointly investigated, the very fact that the armor existed undoubtedly is the reason for the results that were obtained below 0.150 MC. In addition, the increased shielding effect obtained at the very low frequencies from grounding the cables is believed inconsequential in comparison to that obtained from the armor itself. The use of armor on power cable was originally intended for mechanical protection and since the advent of improved power cable insulation, it is now possible that unarmored cable will be considered in the near future. However, before such action is initiated, the effectiveness of the armor for suppression purposes must be considered and the economics of its removal carefully weighed against the cost of the resultant suppression measures required to obtain the same degree of attenuation.

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- May 19: Annual Meeting, sponsored by the NEDA; at the Conrad Hilton, Chicago.
- May 20-22: Armed Forces Communication & Electronics Asoc. Conv. & Exhibits, sponsored by IRE; at the Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington 8, D. C.
- May 20-23: Electronics Parts Distributors Show; at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago.
- May 20-24: Design Engineering Show; at the Coliseum, N. Y.
- May 23-25: Spring Meeting, sponsored by the Acoustical Society of America; in New York City.
- May 22-24: 11th National Convention, sponsored by the American Society for Quality Control; in Detroit, Mich.
- May 26-29: 49th Annual Convention, sponsored by the National Association of Electrical Distributors; at the Sheraton Park Shoreham Hotels, Washington, D. C.
- May 27-29: National Telemetering Conf., sponsored by AIEE, ISA, IAS; at the Hotel Cortez, El Paso, Texas.

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## Flow Line Analysis

(Continued from page 54)

$$V_{0} = \frac{kT}{q} \ln \alpha_{N} \frac{I_{1}}{I_{CO}} = \text{floating potential}$$

for  $I_2 = 0$ , = 0.10 volts for RST and  $I_1 = 0.25$  ma.

A small superposed addition to  $V_2$  would be found to add a small current,  $I_2$ , such that--- (18)

$$I_{2} = I_{CO} \epsilon^{qV_{2}/kT} - \alpha_{N} I_{1}, \text{ from which}$$
$$r = \left(\frac{\partial V_{2}}{\partial I_{2}}\right)_{I_{2}=0} = \frac{kT}{q \alpha_{N} I_{1}}, \quad (19)$$

= 110 ohms for RST and  $I_1 = 0.25$  ma.

Therefore the equivalent circuit at the output terminals when open is a floating potential,  $V_2$ , in series with a small resistance, r.

For the grounded-base "off" switch (Fig. 6), the equations are—

$$\alpha_{\rm N} \ {\bf I}_{\rm ES} = -{\bf I}_{\rm CS} \ (\epsilon^{\rm qV_{\rm C}/kT} - 1) \quad (20)$$
  
= negative collector emission,  
$$V_2 = -V_{\rm C}, \ {\rm from \ which} \qquad (21)$$

$$V_2 = \frac{\kappa_1}{q} \ln \frac{1}{1 - \alpha_1}$$
(22)

= floating potential = 0.078 v. for RST.

If again a small current is superposed at

the output,  

$$I_{2} = \frac{I_{CO}}{1 - \alpha_{I} \alpha_{N}} \left[ (1 - \alpha_{I}) - \epsilon^{-qV_{2}/kT} \right].$$
(23)

Hence,

$$\mathbf{r} = \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{V}_2}{\partial \mathbf{I}_2}\right)_{\mathbf{I}_2 = 0} = \frac{\mathbf{k} \mathbf{T}}{\mathbf{q} \mathbf{I}_{\text{CO}}} \cdot \frac{1 - \alpha_{\text{I}} \alpha_{\text{N}}}{1 - \alpha_{\text{I}}}$$

≌ 10,000 ohms for RST. (24)

The equivalent circuit at the open output terminals is therefore  $\mathbf{a}$ voltage in series with a resistance.

The flow diagrams for the grounded-emitter switches are the same as for the grounded-base switches. Only the external input and output arrangements are changed as shown schematically in Fig. 7.

For the G.E. "on" switch—  $V_2 = V_E - V_C$ , and it can be kT

shown that for 
$$V_E > -\frac{q}{q}$$
, (25)

 $V_2 = \frac{kT}{q} \ln \frac{1}{\alpha_1} \cong 0.0013 \text{ v.}$ for RST, and (26)

$$\mathbf{r} = \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{V}_2}{\partial \mathbf{I}_2}\right)_{\mathbf{I}_2=0} = \frac{\mathbf{kT}}{\mathbf{q} \mathbf{I}_1} \cdot \frac{1 - \alpha_{\mathbf{I}} \alpha_{\mathbf{N}}}{\alpha_{\mathbf{N}}}$$

 $\cong$  11 ohms for RST. (27) (Continued on page 138)

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#### Klystrons

Two new brochures on power amplifier klystrons, "The Care and Feeding of Eimac Power Klystrons," and "Power Amplifier Klystrons for UHF and Microwave Transmission" are issued by Eitel-McCullough Inc., San Bruno, Calif.

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(Continued from page 136) For the G.E. "off" switch—

 $V_2 = V_1 + V_c$ , and it can be shown that for  $V_1 >> \frac{kT}{q}$ , (28)

$$V_2 = V_1 - \frac{kT}{q} \ln \frac{1}{1 - \alpha_1} = 0.172 \text{ v.}$$
  
for RST and  $V_1 = 0.25 \text{ v.}$  (29)

and

$$\mathbf{r} = \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{V}_2}{\partial \mathbf{I}_2}\right)_{\mathbf{I}_2=0} = \frac{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{T}}{\mathbf{q} \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{CO}}} \cdot \frac{(1 - \alpha_{\mathbf{I}} \alpha_{\mathbf{N}})}{(1 - \alpha_{\mathbf{I}})}$$

 $\cong$  10,000 ohms for RST. (24) These G.E. cases should be found consistent with the work on N. W. Bell.<sup>3</sup>

#### Special Cases

An interesting case to examine is the grounded-emitter saturation current (Fig. 8). The key point in the flow diagram is that since the base terminal is open, the two currents lost in the base region must be equal and opposite. This equating of the two base currents makes possible the sufficient number of equations to solve the system. Physically it simply means that the emission at the collector junction is negative though assumed positive. Thus it will be found that a false assumption will not invalidate the results providing rules consistent with the assumption are employed. A solution reveals-

$$I = \frac{I_{CO} \left(1 - \epsilon^{-qV/kT}\right)}{\left(1 - \alpha_{N}\right) + \left(1 - \alpha_{I}\right) \frac{\alpha_{N}}{\alpha_{N}} \epsilon^{-qV/kT}}, (30)$$

which reduces for large applied voltages to the well known expresssion

$$I \cong \frac{I_{CO}}{1 - \alpha_N} = 100 \ \mu a \text{ for RST.}$$
 (31)

Furthermore it is found that for large applied voltages

$$V_{E} \cong \frac{kT}{q} \ln \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_{N} (1 - \alpha_{I})}{\alpha_{I} (1 - \alpha_{N})} \right], \quad (32)$$

which reduces to

 $V_{\rm E} \cong \frac{kT}{q} \ln 2 = 0.018 \text{ volts @ 300°K (33)}$ 

for symmetrical transistors, showing an independence from  $\alpha_{s}$ .

Another informative example is obtained by tying the emitter and collector together (Fig. 9). A solution yields—

$$I = \frac{I_{CO}}{1 - \alpha_{I} \alpha_{N}} \left( e^{qV/kT} - 1 \right) \\ \left[ (1 - \alpha_{I}) + \frac{\alpha_{I}}{\alpha_{N}} (1 - \alpha_{N}) \right], \quad (34) \\ (Continued on page 140)$$

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(Continued from page 138) which reduces for symmetrical transistors to

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Therefore, another possible case of confusion is clarified quite readily by "looking" inside the transistor through a flow line analysis.

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(Continued from page 144) the modifications which have now been made final.

#### Conclusions

So we see that the reservation. registration, and reregistration processes are open to any manufacturer. Reservation enables the sponsoring company to secure a type designation which will be universally recognizable. Registration allows for increased competition if the product is a good one, as, with the announcement of the device to industry, other manufacturers can decide whether they want to add the new type to their production or not. Lower costs and multiple sources of supply are the result. Reregistration affords a dynamic means of incorporating design changes to market a better product.

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measurements. The error being 50 to 200%.

#### Comparison

To find out what happens when a good air coil is combined with the iron core of high Q, a great number of toroids was made and measured. All were of the same dimension OD = 2.25 in., ID = 1.5in. and 0.375 in. thick. Wound with the best available Litz wire, 100 strands No. 44, the best possible coil was started at around 1 MC with the wire thin enough to eliminate "skin effect." Of this great number, a few of particular interest are shown below. Toroids were used for easy determination of u.

Of particular significance is the comparison of items 2 and 3 with item 4 in Table 2. When both toroids have the same number of turns, item 4, because of lower loss in iron, produces higher Q than item 2. However, the inductance of item 2 is higher because of higher  $\mu$ .

Now let us equalize the inductances for comparison. The same core of item 2 is rewound to a smaller number of turns so that L becomes equal in both items 3 and 4. We see very surprising results. In spite of higher iron loss of "E," powder toroid 3 becomes superior to one of "TH" which can only be attributed to increased spacing between the turns.

Again, if the "TH" core has an increased spacing between the turns, its Q becomes still higher as item 6 shows. Thus, we have the first conclusion: The coil itself predominantly influences Q. We shall now demonstrate the influence of iron in a solenoid.

Here we have a coil wound with Litz wire into which 2 slugs of iron can be inserted, forming a core completely surrounded by the winding. By moving the slugs lengthwise, one can adjust the gap in the center thus varying  $\mu_e$ . At the frequency of measurements, 800 KC, the Q of the coil is 175 and since its inductance is 112  $\mu$ H, R<sub>rf</sub> is calculated to be 3.2  $\Omega$ . A core of 2 slugs of carbonyl E (no gap) inserted into the coil yields  $\mu_e = 4.1$  while Q is 170 or slightly lower than in the coil itself. Calculated  $R_{rf}$  becomes 13.0, or the increase in resistance due to the iron is about 10  $\Omega$ , while the calculated  $R_i$  is only 0.52  $\Omega$ . Now we insert 2 similar cores of carbonyl "SF" which yields  $\mu_e =$ 3.0 but the measured Q becomes 285 from which new  $R_{rf} = 5.73$  or increase of only 3.4  $\Omega$  but the calculated  $R_i$  is only 0.27  $\Omega$ . We now revert back to the first core of "E" but arrange it with a gap in the center, of such magnitude so as to produce  $\mu_e$  of the second case, i.e., 3.0. We see a surprising result. Q of the combination becomes 280 or just different enough to compensate for difference in calculated  $R_i$ .

Thus we arrive at a second equally important conclusion: The total loss due to insertion of the iron is predominantly a function of effective permeability.

Simultaneously, we observe that for maximum Q in each coil at a given frequency, there is an optimum effective permeability.

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(Continued from page 147) This case can be verified with a great variety of solenoidal coils ranging in diameter from 3/8 in. to 2 in. in diameter.

#### **Prominent Factors**

Now we can see that 2 factors prominently effect a coil with an iron core: (1) proximity of turns of the coil, and (2) the effective permeability of the core. The iron loss resistance, R<sub>i</sub>, by the use of fine iron powders of carbonyl type, may be reduced to a negligible amount. A relatively large amount of loss resistance is added to the coil's resistance, which additional loss, previously unaccounted, may be termed as an "insertion loss." It is due to insertion of the coil of a permeability  $\mu_e$ . If the total r-f resistance of the coil after insertion is R, and the coil proper resistance is R<sub>rf</sub>,

 $R = R_{rf} + R_i + R_x$ , where  $R_x$  is the added insertion loss resistance.

It appears from the above that an analysis of the coil is required



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in order to separate these losses.

Butterworth<sup>2</sup> in analyzing high frequency coils (in air) arrived at a general formula

 $R_{rf} = R_o (1 + F + U_{nd}^2/c^2 G)$ in which R<sub>o</sub> is dc resistance of the wire, F is a term depending on the frequency and representing an increase in wire resistance due to "skin effect," Un a numerical coefficient depending on the number of strands of the wire (max. value being 3.29), d and c being diameter and spacing of the wires, respectively, and G a complicated function of the frequency. The last term of the equation is generally attributed to "coiling resistance," being an eddy current loss in the copper generated by the flux from turn to turn. The formula was later complicated to reconcile the actual findings with calculations and thoroughly analyzed by Jackson<sup>3</sup> who, in his work, employed very thick wire (No. 16 S.W.G.) of 1.6 mm. diam. and arrived at a substantial agreement (within 2-12%) between measured and calculated value. The general principle of separating loss components into "skin effect" and "coiling resistance" remained valid.

Contrary to the above, in this investigation, wire No. 44 (d =0.025 mm.) was used which, at the frequencies employed, remained completely "penetrated." In accordance with well known formulas of depth of penetration,  $\delta =$  $\frac{1}{2}d$  and  $\delta = 6.6f - \frac{1}{2}$ , the complete penetration occurring up to a frequency of 40 MC. We, therefore, may disregard term F and simplify the equation to  $R_{rf} = R_o$  (1 +  $\Gamma$ ), where  $\Gamma$  is the term due to coiling resistance. Then  $\Gamma = (R_{rf})$  $-R_o)/R_o$ . Measuring  $R_o$  and computing R<sub>rf</sub> from Q, we get the term  $\Gamma$  for any coil with, or without, the iron. In the latter case, however, when R is computed from Q the value of R<sub>i</sub> must be first calculated and subtracted from R to get new R'rt of the coil with iron, which by previous designation is equal to  $R_{rf} + R_{x}$ .

#### **Relationships**

In view of our findings, it seemed logical that the term  $\Gamma_i$  is related to the coil's  $\Gamma$ , and de-

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pends on the permeability  $\mu_e$ , since the coiling resistance term is increased by virtue of increased flux due to iron. We, therefore, assume that  $\Gamma_i = \Gamma \ \mu^x_e$  and proceed to evaluate x. Calculations show that the term  $\Gamma$  of the toroidal air coil (item 1), Table 2 varies from 0.3 at 800 KC to 1.4 at 2 MC, which values are approx. proportional to f<sup>2</sup>. Similar calculations for a toroid wound on carbonyl E core produce considerably greater values of  $\Gamma$  ranging from 1.25 at 800 кс to 10.0 at 2 мс, being also substantially proportional to the same power of frequency. From our assumption,  $\mu_{e}^{x} = \Gamma_{i}/\Gamma$ , which ratio, when averaged within the frequency range, produces x = 1.0. Substantially, the same results when exponent x is calculated for items 3, 4 and 6. For item 5 (reduced  $\mu$ ), x comes out as 1.1. The fact that the ratio of the "coiling resistance" term with iron and the same for an air-cored toroid remains substantially constant, within the range of frequencies of this investigation, proves our assumption that the coiling resistance term of an air coil is increased by the presence of iron as a function of permeability. For toroids, this increase numerically equals  $\mu$ . Therefore, expressing  $R_x$  in terms of  $R_{dc}$  and  $R_{rf}$ , we may present the total resistance R of a ferro-inductor as

$$\begin{split} R &= R_{rf} + R_i \; (R_{rf} - R_o) \; (\mu - 1) \\ \text{the last member being "insertion} \\ \text{loss" due to the core. Calculations} \\ \text{of losses for the toroidal inductor} \\ \text{of item 2 at 1 MC gives the following figures: } R_{rf} &= 0.55 \; \Omega \colon R_i = \\ 0.18 \; \Omega \colon R_{dc} = 0.42 \; \Omega, \; \text{hence } R_x \\ \text{calculated at } \mu = 7 \; \text{is } 0.78 \; \Omega. \; \text{Total} \\ \text{r-f resistance of the inductor} \\ (\text{from its } Q) &= 1.45 \; \Omega. \; \text{Subtracting } R_{rf} \; \text{and } R_i \; \text{from the total, we} \\ \text{get the actual } R_x = 0.72 \; \Omega. \end{split}$$

Thus, the total resistance is composed of:

 $R_{rf}$  of the coil 38%

 $R_i$  of the core 12%

 $R_{\rm x}$  or insertion loss due to core 50%

This example clearly shows the predominance of insertion loss over the iron loss proper.

Approximately the same dependence of insertion loss on permeability is observable in long solenoidal coils. Again we note that a maximum Q is attained at a certain effective permeability.

#### Results

Many different shapes and windings were investigated. In some small coils, wound with progressive universal winding, a low "coiling resistance" term was observed with the resultant excellent Q in combination with the core. In such cases, the exponent x may be as low as 1/2, i.e., insertion loss very low. For larger size air coils with high inherent Q, the insertion loss was measured and found proportional to  $\mu^2$ . This, incidently, is the case of the solenoidal inductor of the first example cited in this article. While the investigation of other than toroidal cores is in its initial stage, certain conclusions can now be reached:

1. Coil winding should be composed of the thinnest possible strands, plurality of which governs  $R_{de}$ , to reduce the "coiling resistance" term.

2. Coil turns should be adequately spaced, or laid down, in (Continued on page 150)





result in compact design of cores with coils having Q in excess of 300.

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3. The ratio  $(R_{rf} - R_{dc})/R_{dc}$ should be kept as small as possible so that ultimate insertion loss

4. Close proximity of the core to the turns should be avoided.

5. Extending the core outside the domains of the coil generally increases Q by increase of  $\mu$  with-

6. Same applies to "closed" magnetic circuits such as E & I cores. Pill-box type, providing that the return path is far enough from

7. In all investigated cases, the iron loss proper for carbonyl iron cores, properly chosen for frequency, is very small compared with other losses of the combina-

8. For maximum Q, the effective permeability should be chosen at an "optimum" value, as the permeability per se introduces more loss

9. General expression for all losses in a ferro-inductor wound with Litz wire  $R = R_{rf} + R_i +$  $(R_{rf} - R_o)$  (6<sup>x</sup> - 1) where x may vary from  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 depending on shape of coil, winding & proximity of core.

10. All of these conclusions may

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unavoidable nature of moving parts. The finest diaphragms have their own resonance or vibration characteristics. They cannot accurately reproduce the wave combinations produced by such wave creators as the vocal cords or musical instruments. In addition, because of their inertia, diaphragms cannot respond fast enough to catch the subtle sounds, nuances and overtones, for which the Hi Fi fan so earnestly strives.

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Fig. 2: Simplified Ionovac schematic

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#### Improved Design

The result of these activities was the Ionovac, similar in principle to the Ionophone, but so radically improved in design as to (Continued on page 152)





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Fig. 3: Essential lonovac elements

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#### DIGITAL PRINTER

The Model 400A is a reliable, accurate and compact instrument specifically designed to fill an industry need for a high-speed digital printer at low cost. Featuring rapid print-out, parallel entry, and up to 12 digit printing, this new unit uses no stepping switches. It has been designed to operate from 4-line 1-2-2-4 binary code, thus it may be used with most



all existing counting equipment without modification. Accuracy & counting period: Identical to characteristics of counting instrument. Computer-Measurements Corp., 5528 Vineland Ave., North Hollywood, Calif.

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#### **TEMPERATURE PROBE**

The Model 101 probe series is particularly designed for use on operational airplanes, for a total temperature range from  $-80^{\circ}$ C to  $\div 300^{\circ}$ C and the Model 106 probe extends this



range to +650 °C or more. The probe uses a platinum resistance thermometer sensing element (a platinum resistance thermometer is the international standard of temperature in this range). The resistance of the sensing element is 50 ohms at 0°C. The major characteristic is that the sensing element is hermetically sealed. Rosemount Engineering Co., Rosemount, Minnesota.

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#### MOTOR GENERATOR

A size 10 ac motor generator, offering minimum length and weight, features cast rotor construction. Applications include error rate damping in servo systems for high stability. Motor Characteristics: Main phase voltage—26 v. 400 cps; Control phase voltage—0 to 26 v.; Max. current/ phase—185 ma.; DC resistance/phase —58 ohms; Generator Characteris-



tics: Main phase voltage—10 v. 400 cps; Output— 0.16 v./1000 RPM; Input power—0.2 w.; DC resistance/ phase—200 ohms. Clifton Precision Products Co., Inc., Marple at Broadway, Clifton Heights, Pa.

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#### PULSE SYSTEM

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A new self-sealing floating anchor nut has been developed. It is designed for use in pressurized cabins, covkpits, and other areas where positive sealing against gases and liquids is required. Known as part No. F1968, it contains an integrally molded rubber seal to provide "tolerance-free" sealing, thus eliminating the inconvenience and uncertainty of using seal-



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#### PAPER CAPACITOR

Availability of a new, economical upright mounting capacitor, especially for printed-wiring assemblies is Type P-156. It consists of the time-and-service proven standard paper tubular



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#### TAPE TENSION METER

A hand-held meter which accurately measures tape tensions for use with magnetic tape recorders has been released. The same instrument can also be used by manufacturers of typewriters, adding machines, and users or makers of narrow fabrics, ribbons, carton tape, and film. The Tension Meter as a range of 0-1000 grams with great resolution in the



range of 0-200 grams. It is used extensively in measuring tape transient tensions, such as encountered in sudden braking and starting, during coating, and other processing operations. Tensitron, Inc., Harvard, Mass. Circle 155 on Inquiry Card, page 97





#### AUTOMATIC SOLDERING

An automatic soldering machine featuring a new concept in feeding solder automatically through magazines to pre-heated parts for solder fabrication has been developed. The



timing mechanism operates and regulates the flame and the exact amount of solder with an index table. It localizes the heat at the point of fabrication in the same manner as it would be done manually, thereby, accomplishing high quality soldering at a greatly increased production rate. The equipment is designed for one operator. It has been named Braze-O-Matic. Castle Machines, Inc., Erie, Pa. Circle 156 on Inquiry Card. page 97

#### MICROWAVE MIXER

This mixer has been designed and developed to operate over a frequency band from 7800-8200 MC. in RG-51/U size waveguide. It is supplied with standard flanges, UG-51/U; and employs the new 1N23E type crystal diodes. The i-f outputs are solder lugs for this unit; however, this can readily be modified to any standard or special fitting. Performance has been



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at two rated operating ranges of 0 to 50,000 and 100,000 bits/sec. A line of drivers supplement these blocks. Mack Electronics, Div. of Mack Trucks, Inc., 40 Leon St., Boston 15, Mass.

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#### **500-KW BEAM TRIODE**

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operation at very-high frequencies. It is useful as a Class C r-f power amplifier either modulated or unmodulated, and as a linear r-f power amplifier in SSB service. RCA Tube Div., Harrison, N. J.

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Pictured above are some of the early audion tubes and detectors developed by Dr. Lee DeForest—which are included in the historic exhibit. "Cavalcade of Electronics" by International Rectifier Corp., of El Segundo, California. The exhibit, being presented at the IRE Show includes approximately 18 of these prototypes and covers the period 1880-1957.

### Flight Simulator Uses TV Projection

To add more and more realism to their flight simulators, Link Aviation, Inc., Binghamton, N. Y., will utilize TV cameras and projectors in the simulators they are now designing for use with the DC-8, Boeing 707, and the Lockheed Electra.

These aircraft are multi-jet, commercial transports. Not only has Douglas Aircraft Co., designer of the DC-8, ordered a jet transport flight simulator but also the airline. United Air Lines is the first airline to ever purchase a jet flight simulator.

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The horizontal position of the plane is obtained by vertical motion of the camera on the dolly. The reason for this is simple. The panorama is mounted on a wall this accounts for the interchanging of the vertical and horizontal axes. The vertical position of the plane is accomplished by motion of the camera, and associated angled mirror in a horizontal plane.

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#### DUMMY LOAD

A new high-power, L-band, dummy load with direct indicating calorimetric wattmeter is now available. The light-weight load element of the dummy load is composed of two tapered fluid elements of molded fiberglass construction which is centered inside of a four foot long section of aluminum waveguide. A remote heatexchanger unit pumps a constant volume of glossy liquid through the ta-



pered fiberglass elements. The liquid absorbs the microwave energy; the heat is dissipated by the exchanger. Operates in the 1150 to 1750 MC range. WacLine, Inc., 35 So. St. Clair St., Dayton 2.

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Weighing only 10 grams and no larger in diameter than a fountain pen, a new Series 341 ten-turn precision potentiometer is being manufactured. It is built in a metallic shell



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MAS-7	400	40	115	5.5	8.0

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## **Eliminate Transistor Burnout**

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#### New Approach

In view of these facts, a different approach becomes interesting, namely an electrical reversal of a transistor's polarity with the aid of additional circuit elements. The simplest arrangement of this type is the back-to-back connection of two transistors diagrammed in Fig. 1a. More satisfactory is the device illustrated in Fig. 1b whose collector junctions are protected from being biased in the forward direction by two diodes. Perfect symmetry in both directions requires matched transistors.

Another approach is the paralleling of two transistors with opposite types of conductivity. Fig. 1c shows the circuitry including two protective diodes. A close inspection reveals output and input signals in phase so that opposite collector currents require input signals of opposite polarity. This is in contradiction to truly symmetrical units.

#### **Diode Protection**

Much better is the conversion of a single transistor into a symmetrical device with the aid of diodes. Fig. 1d illustrates the fundamental arrangement in the form of a standard transistor forming the diagonal branch of a ring modulator or rectifier bridge. In such a case, the polarity of the diodes determines the polarity of the supply voltage across the transistor so that the transistor "sees" the supply battery always with the correct polarity. Consequently, this "Terminal Symmetrical Transistor" exhibits standard characteristics and parameters regardless of battery polarity. In this way, special switching transistors with excellent transient response and large power handling capacity can be utilized without involving matching problems and response times of the diodes.

#### Terminal Symmetry

The "Terminal Symmetrical Transistor" may be utilized in the common-emitter configuration diagrammed in Fig. 2a with the base biased via the leak resistor R<sub>b</sub>. A laboratory model containing a silicon transistor surrounded by four silicon diodes was mounted and soldered to a plug that fits a 7-pin miniature socket. In a transistor tester, the parameters can be measured with either polarity of the supply voltage, i.e., with the polarity switch in the npn-or pnp-position. For extra large current gain, a tandem transistor<sup>1</sup> may be inserted into the ring modulator and thus converted into a "Terminal Symmetric Tandem Unit."

The similarity between the Terminal Symmetrical Transistor and an inherently symmetrical specimen suggests equivalent applications, for example, in clamp circuits, phase—or FM—detectors, etc.<sup>2</sup> In addition the Terminal Symmetrical Transistor can be used in different stages of any transistor apparatus such as hearing aids, radio receivers, and the like. In such a case, the battery polarity does not matter, provided the capacitors are of the bipolar type.

#### Fool-Proof Sets

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A further simplification is a bipolar transistor set in which the battery is connected to a complete transistor set through a ring modulator. Fig. 5 illustrates the circuitry in which the transistor set always "sees" the battery through the diodes with correct polarity. Future transistor apparatus may not require polarity marks for their batteries and replacement of the battery will be fool-proof.

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