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ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES RADARSCOPE

DEVELOPMENTS AND TRENDS AFFECTING THE STATE-OF-THE-ART OF TECHNOLOGIES THROUGH-

SILICON NITRIDE is being used as an insulating material for better yield of more electrically stable diodes, transistors and integrated circuits. Sperry Rand Corp., Sudbury, Mass., scientists have been doing experimental work in its use. Instead of growing the normal insulating oxide layer on the silicon wafer, they use a deposition process for the nitride. The silicon nitride can be applied ten times faster than silicon oxide can be grown. And it can be done at much lower temperatures. Thickness can be accurately controlled. Trial metal nitride semiconductors (MNS) insulated-gate FETs have been made and tested by Sperry Rand.

THIN FILM HYBRID MICROCIRCUITS are produced with "flip channel" transistor methods. This permits high volume output. Simplified manufacturing methods result in lower circuit modular costs. Mepco. Inc., Morristown, N.J., says that they can supply circuits a customer needs, including planar type or special transistor elements. In making the circuits, they use a heating unit that automatically makes all terminal attachments at one time. **TRANSMISSION SYSTEM** sends 625 line TV signals by PCM. The experimental, all-solid-state system was developed by a British subsidiary of ITT, Standard Telecommunication Labs., Harlow, England. Other systems often used electron beam coding tubes. This system uses only discrete solidstate components. System samples signal at 12.5 MHz and uses parallel encoder to generate an 8digit unit-distance code, providing 81 quantization levels. Only one level is used for TV synchronizing pulse. The encoder is linear, and divided into 14 identical subunits. Each of these discriminates a group of 6 adjacent levels. Outputs are interconnected to produce the appropriate codes.

LONGER LIFE high-power klystrons and TWT's appear possible because of a new long-life "coated powder" cathode invented at Bell Telephone Labs. The usual carbonate powder is chemically coated with a thin film of nickel before being sprayed onto the cathode base. The nickel increases conductivity of the cathode, and improves its ability to sustain high current densities. Life expectancy is 20 to 30,000 hrs. at 0.5 a/cm² and 810°C, and is predic-



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Dr. G. Peterson uses new spectrometer he invented at Bell Telephone Labs. Device detects resonance signals from nuclei that are quadrupolar (nonspherical) in their electrical make-up. New nuclear quadrupole resonance (NQR) spectrometer is very sensitive over a band of frequencies greater than that of previous devices.



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ably the same at 1 a/cm^2 . Cost is close to normal oxide cathodes and much less than for the matrix cathode. Greater coating adhesion, higher electrical conductivity, and faster processing are among its features.

EXPERIMENTS WITH "HOT ELECTRONS"

being carried out at NASA's Electronic Research Center, Cambridge, Mass., indicate a promising advance in microwave research. Higher frequency microwaves have been generated by means of a recently discovered phenomenon. The microwaves are produced by interaction of "hot electrons" in solid state component material. In the method a low voltage is applied across a crystal (bulk GaAs semi-conductor material) which is less than 1/1000in, thick. A conversion of dc to continuous microwave power was achieved at frequencies as high as 12 GHz.

NEW AUTOMATIC DEVICE for quantitative and qualitative X-ray analysis of solids and liquids was announced by Toshiba of Japan. The unit completes calculations more than twice as fast as normal equipment. According to the material to be analyzed, the proper crystal spectrum, opening, and illumination angle can all be preset on a memory device. When the test material is in position the unit is started by a pushbutton and the results are automatically produced on a recorder. It can be used to improve research, and quality control.

HIGH-POWER SCRs have been developed by the Electronic Components Div. of General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y. The ac switch can handle 1200 a. RMS continuous current with blocking to 1800 v. This permits switching of 1.5 Mw loads. High-power is due to water cooling and a heat transfer method which dissipates heat on both sides of the SCR junction. Samples will be available in about 60 days.

THREE-DIMENSIONAL MOTOR

Tirree-dimensional motor that can simultaneously rotate and push and pull a shaft is examined by its inventor, Stanley Cory, of ITT Federal Labs, San Fernando, Calif. Between one stroke and 32 strokes per revolution are possible. Most practicable size for such a motor appears to be in a range from 1/1000 hp to 5 hp.



AUTOMATED BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY

Model (1/4 size) of Automated Biological Laboratory (ABL) being designed by Philco's Aeronutronic Div., Newport Beach, Calif., under a NASA contract, is checked by executives C. Grant (1), and W. Hostetler. ABL will be a fully automated and min-aturized biology lab, capable of performing tests on the surface of Mars.

TV CAMERA using solid state and four plumbicon tubes is being made by Marconi Co., England, Except for a nuvistor in each of the four vision head amplifiers, and the pickup tubes, it is fully transistorized with thin film resistors. A major advantage is that color pictures are not so dependent on accurate registration of the three color tubes. Camera produces good black and white pictures. It can be switched to either 525 or 625 line standards, and can be used with the proposed systems--NTSC, PAL, or SECAM. The main market is aimed at the U. S. and Canada.

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OPTICAL SUPERHETERODYNE RECEIVER

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COMING EVENTS

February 1966

Feb. 9-11: Int'l Solid-State Conf., U. of Pa., IEEE; Univ. of Pa., Sheraton Hotel, Phila., Pa.

March

- Mar. 2-4: Scintillation & Semiconductor Counter Symp., IEEE; Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.
- Mar. 21-24: IEEE Int'l Conv., IEEE; Coliseum & New York Hilton Hotel, New York, N.Y.
- Mar. 26: Quality Control and Reliability Conf., American Society for Quality Control; Hofstra Univ., Hempstead, L.I., N.Y.

'66 Highlights

- IEEE Int'l Conv., Mar. 21-24; Coliseum, New York, N.Y.
- WESCON Western Electronics Show & Conv., Aug. 23-26, WEMA, IEEE; Sports Arena, Los Angeles, Calif.
- Nat'l Electronics Conf., Oct. 3-5, IEEE; McCormick Place, Chicago, III.

April

- Apr. 4-5: Rubber & Plastics Industries Tech. Conf., IEEE; Sheraton-May-flower Hotel, Akron, Ohio.
- Apr. 12-14: Int'l Symposium on Generalized Networks, IEEE, OSA, Brooklyn Polytech, et al; Hotel Com-modore, New York, N.Y.
- Apr. 12-15: 4th Quantum Elect. Conf., IEEE; Towne House, Phoenix, Ariz. (Continued on Page 16)

ELECTRONICS CONFERENCE RETURNS TO CLEVELAND

The annual Cleveland Electronics Conference returns to the Cleveland Engineering & Scientific Center in 1966, after an absence of three years.

The date for the 13th annual Conference has been set for April 12-14. Five technical seminars are again planned as in the two previous conferences. Conference Director Mike Lapine, of Mike Lapine, Inc., reports that 65 exhibit spaces are available. Exhibit show hours will be from 1 to 9:30 P.M. daily, except for a 6:30 P.M. closing on Thursday, April 14th.

Technical sessions will be staged in the Lecture Room at 2 and 7 P.M. on Tuesday and Wednesday and at 2 P.M. on Thursday. Chairman of the Technical Committee is Robert Stroup of Reliance Electric & Engineering Co.

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- Apr. 18-21: Spring URSI-IEEE Mtg., URSI, IEEE; Nat'l Academy of Sciences, Washington, D.C.
- Apr. 19-21: 20th Annual Frequency Control Symp., U.S. Army Electronics Command; Shelburne Hotel, Atlantic City, N.J.
- Apr. 20-22: Southwestern Conf. & Exhibition, IEEE; Memorial Audit., Dallas, Tex.
- Apr. 26-27: 14th Annual Nat'l Relay Conf., Oklahoma State U., Nat'l Assn. Relay Mfrs.; Student Union Bldg., Stillwater, Okla.
- Apr. 26-28: Spring Joint Computer Conf., IEEE, AFIPS, ACM; Boston Civic Ctr., Boston, Mass
- Civic Ctr., Boston, Mass. Apr. 26-28: Future Eng'g for Earth & Space Conf., IEEE; Pioneer Int'l Hotel, Tucson, Ariz.

May

- May 2-4: Communications Satellite Systems Conf., AIAA, IEEE; Washington, D. C.
- May 4-6: 1966 Electronic Components Conf., IEEE, G-PMP, EIA; Marriott Motor Hotel, Washington, D.C.
- May 5-7: 7th Symp. on Human Factors in Electronics, IEEE, G-HFE; Minneapolis, Minn.
- May 9-10: Midwest Symp. on Circuit Theory, IEEE, Oklahoma State U.;

Oklahoma State U., Stillwater, Okla. May 10-12: Nat'l Telemetering Conf., IEEE, G-AES, G-Com Tech., AIAA-ISA; Prudential Ctr., Boston, Mass.

NEW FIRM CATEGORY ADDED TO 1966 ELECTRONICS WEEK

A new category of electronic manufacturers will be eligible to display wares at NEW-1966 National Electronics Week, May 30 to June 5, 1966, according to Kenneth C. Prince, general manager of Electronic Industry Show Corp.

The San Francisco NEW will mark the first time that manufacturers who sell products, equipment, or services to distributors for use of consumption will be eligible to participate. In the past, exhibits were limited to products sold through distributors, sound contractors, high fidelity specialists, and similar trade categories.

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ELECTRONIC WASHINGTON TRENDS

COST-CUTTING EXPLAINED—Need to know more concerning cost-cutting on defense contracts? Department of Defense is sponsoring five regional briefings on cutting of costs: Boston, March 3, 4; Atlanta, March 9, 10; St. Louis, March 16, 17; San Francisco, April 12, 13, and Washington, April 27, 28. DOD promises to present 350 specific examples of contractor efficiencies that resulted in lower costs to the government.

NEW DESCRIPTOR VOCABULARY—Department of Defense is compiling a broader vocabulary of descriptors for computer usage. Purpose: to increase effectiveness and use by industry of the rapidlyexpanding deluge of technical information. The new technical thesaurus is being compiled under the direction of John S. Foster, Jr., defense research and engineering chief.

UNLIMITED COMSAT USE ASKED—Industry spokesmen have asked FCC to permit all manufacturers to use private satellites without limitation. FCC also is asked to clear the way for private firms to launch their own satellite systems if needed. Industry urges that FCC encourage use of space communications by U. S. and foreign industries. They also warned that undue limits would hinder advance of communication needs.

VISUAL SPACE BEACON

lonized argon gas laser to be used as a visual beacon from earth to orbiting Gemini craft under test at Electro-Optical Systems, Inc. The unit broadcasts at varied wavelengths in the visible blue-green spectrum. In space operation, rotating disk chops the laser's wave.



STANDARDIZATION PUSHED — Defense officials are pressing electronic and aerospace industries to step up progress in standardization of microelectronic circuits. The Pentagon's interest stems from the drive originated by Sec. McNamara to bring about lower costs via standardization of components. In Pentagon talks, industry men have pointed out the obvious need for a free exchange of ideas between systems designers and components fabricators. Outlook is for increasing pressure from military men to bring about further standardization in this area.

SPACE BUDGET CUTS LIKELY—High cost of the Vietnam war is causing budget officials to take a second look at some projected space programs, unless a peace is effected. Some cuts have already been ordered. Research projects are likely to be hard hit, NASA is asking \$5.5 billion for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1967, as compared with about \$5.1 for the 1966 fiscal. Budget Bureau is recommending that NASA hold spending down to the current level. It's always possible, of course, that Congress will override White House recommendations.

PATENT RULES CHALLENGED—NASA soon will be under more heavy pressure from Congress to change its patent policy. NASA Administrator James E. Webb is faced with a patent case involving rocket engine development by an aerospace company. If Webb rules in favor of the company, as expected, he will incur the wrath of some congressmen. These congressmen have been criticizing NASA's patent policy for years. This year they plan to settle the question once and for all. Expected is a government patent policy for all federally-financed inventions.

NEW STANDARDS SYSTEM SET-The Johnson Administration has revised procedures for developing voluntary product standards in industry. As adopted by the Commerce Department, all standards more than five years old will be reviewed for adequacy. J. Herbert Hollomon, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Science and Technology, says the new rules will set requirements for general acceptance of new standards, and provide safeguards to protect public interest. A standard will be revised if any portion of it is obsolete, technically inadequate, or no longer acceptable to or used by an industry. It will also be revised if any part is being used to mislead consumers, or is against their best interests. Also, a standard being used to limit production, set prices, create economic advantages for one segment of an industry, or constitute unreasonable restraint of trade or create illegal dominance will be revised.

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Gemini 6 radar which helped U. S. astronauts achieve man's first rendezvous in space is back at Westinghouse (Baltimore) for study. Engineers say the radar came through re-entry in good shape; they are making adjustments before giving the radar an electrical test.



INSTRUMENTS FOR SATURN

Electronic instrument unit for first Saturn 1B in test cycle at 1BM Space Guidance Center, Huntsville, Ala. Technicians check inside of 22-foot section. The unit, command post for Saturn IB and V, issues commands for steering, stage separation, and ignition; it monitors performance. On Saturn V, unit will stabilize last propulsion stage of Apollo.

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FIRMS EXPAND TO MEET PREDICTED COLOR TV BOOM

Three of the nation's leading electronic firms have disclosed plans for further multi-million-dollar expansion into production for color TV tubes.

The Scranton, Pa., Keystone Industrial Park will be the site of an RCA 300,000 sq. ft. plant to produce color TV picture tubes. Cost will be \$26 million, part of the firm's \$195 million program to expand and modernize plant facilities in 1966.

RCA also plans to spend \$25 million to establish a color CRT facility for its RCA Victor Company, Ltd., in Montreal; the move is expected to be the largest single expansion program in the history of the Canadian electronics industry. The new plant, in Midland, Ontario, to be completed in mid-1967, will have an annual capacity of 300,000 rectangular color CRTs.

Philco Corp. announced that it will spend about \$20 million to build and equip a color TV tube plant at Lansdale, Pa., which is expected to be in operation early in 1967. Output by the end of the year will be 200,000 tubes. Eventual output capacity, according to Philco spokesmen, is predicted at 500,-000 tubes yearly.

Zenith Radio Corp. has purchased a plant in Melrose Park, III., as a major part of its plan to increase output of color TV picture tubes by 50% before the end of 1956. The expansion will cost \$17,000,000 and will step up monochrome tube output as well. Zenith spokesmen report that the firm is currently producing tubes at the rate of 900,000 annually. The new Melrose Park facility will be modified "into a highly mechanized color tube processing plant," and it is expected to be producing by the end of summer, 1966.

FM SALES TRIPLE SINCE 1960, 40% RISE SEEN BY 1966 END

Sales of home and auto radios with FM reception have more than tripled since 1960 and an increase of 40% above 1964 sales is expected by the end of next year. This is from findings in an analysis of FM factory sales by the Electronic Industries Association.

EIA statistics, which include domestic and foreign-label sets, show that one out of every four home radios sold in 1964 could receive FM, with the proportion expected to increase to one out of three by 1966. In 1960, the start of the FM boom, the ratio was one receiver with FM capability of every nine sold.

Sales of FM auto radios, first marketed significantly in 1962 with 100,-000 sets sold, are expected to rise five-fold by the end of 1966.

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4 MILLION COLOR SETS MAY BE SOLD IN 1966

Color TV sales volume for 1965 exceeded even the most optimistic projections made early in the year. A report issued by Value Line Investment Survey states that, barring unlikely severe turndown in national economy, sales outlook for 1966 is even brighter. It predicts that four million color TV sets will be sold in 1966—a jump of better than 50% over 1965's volume.

According to the report, the total number of sets sold in 1966 may be limited by supply problems rather than by consumer resistance. Value Line predicts that selling prices and profit margins will remain firm.

The report cautions that two factors could help spoil this bright prospect. These include a wide assortment of picture tube sizes, and early obsolescence of the current industry mainstay—the 21-inch round color tube.

U. S. TAKES BIGGEST SPACE AT LONDON ELECTRONIC SHOW

At least 10-million-pounds worth (\$28 million) of foreign electronic equipment will be shipped to London for the International Instruments, Electronics and Automation Exhibition set for May 23-28 at Olympia. The U. S. will hold down the biggest single stand in the 11-acre show. At the last IEA there were 148 overseas exhibitors. For the coming show this figure may reach 300.

INDUSTRIAL CONTROLS SEEN AT \$1 BILLION BY 1975

Opportunities are overemphasized for new companies in the field of instruments and control in process industries. So states AI Lee, Director, Process Industries and Industrial Controls in the Industrial and Development Economics Area, Stanford Research Institute.

He indicates that many market forecasts are optimistic, but must be thoroughly investigated before they are used for business planning.

This field is estimated by Mr. Lee to double from about \$500 million at present to about \$1 billion by 1975. Two reasons he cites for caution in evaluating process instruments and control markets are: inadequate amount of sound data published in the market, and potential customers' expressed desires for certain equipment does not always convert into equipment orders.

Highest growth among process instrument and control suppliers would be in computers, and the lowest in recorders, says Mr. Lee. Computers' share of the market should double by 1970, while recorders' share may decrease by one-third. Mr. Lee says the industry's largest supplier has less than 20% of this market of about \$500 million.

He believes no giant will dominate this industry by 1970 because the market is too diversified. As evidence, Mr. Lee indicates that out of hundreds of products in this field, fewer than 10 probably have markets exceeding \$20 million annually.

MANUFACTURER PREDICTS RISING CONNECTOR SALES

"The growth rate in sales of electronic connectors this year will exceed current growth rate of 6.9% per year for electronic circuit components in general. Growth will adhere closely to the 11% annual growth experienced by the aerospace industry, a prime connector market," reports Boris A. Jackson, President of U. S. Components Inc. He predicted that total connector sales for 1965 will finally be about \$165 million.

Referring to sales growth of connectors since 1961, he said that total shipment value of all types of connectors rose from \$360 million to \$600 million collectively by the end of 1964. Important factors in this healthy growth have been low dependence on direct government business and a wide market among all facets of industry.

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It's in the fold!

By Frank Timmons, Chief Engineer, Electronics Division, Belden Manufacturing Company

There are a number of cables on the market today which utilize Mylar' Aluminum Shielding to eliminate noise, hum and cross-talk. These cables have been developed to meet the needs of equipment engineers who have found that standard braided and spiral shields are inadequate in reducing pick-up and transmitted noise.

There is a big difference in the various cables available ... and the big difference is in the manner by which the Mylar Aluminum Shielding is applied to the cable. The cable which does the most effective job of eliminating noise, hum and crosstalk uses a unique, patented wrapping process that "folds back" one or both edges of the Mylar Aluminum Shielding. It orovides "total shielding" and was introduced in 1957 by the Belden Manufacturing Company under the trade name, "Beldfoil."

It is evident that many interested persons do not completely understand the manner in which Mylar Aluminum Shielding is used in the manufacture of Beldfoil cable. Therefore, Frank Timmons, Chief Engineer of the Electronics Division at Belden's Richmond, Indiana plant answers some of the more frequently asked questions, and points up some of the more important benefits offered by Beldfoil.

Q. You talk about a patented process wherein the Mylar Aluminum Shielding is folded back . . . on one or both edges. Just how is this done?

A. First, let us define Mylar Aluminum Shielding . . , it is a lamination of Mylar insulation film from 0.0005" to 0.001" thick and aluminum foil of .00035" to .001" thickness, applied spirally around the shielded conductor or conductors to give 100% shield coverage.

In some instances the wires are wrapped with the metal foil on the outside as shown in the cross-sectional drawing Fig. 1.



Note the heavy black line showing the foil edge folded back so that a full layer of Mylar "bonus insulation" is provided between the conductors and the foil shield, increasing the reliability of the cable.

Cables to be used at radio frequencies, or sensitive to radio frequency interference, may need the fold shown in Fig. 2. This fold creates a metal-to-metal connection which eliminates any poss ble inductive effect, and makes the shield the electrical equivalent of a solid aluminum tube.



Shields shown in Fig. 1 and 2 are used for cables with one pair of conductors.

For cables carrying multiple pairs of conductors, a different technique is used. On each pair, the aluminum foil is placed on the *inside*, with the Mylar layer on the *outside* (See Fig. 3). This is important because if the aluminum surface were on the outside we would have random metallic contact between the shields on the different pairs of wires. This would permit the voltages existing on one shield to generate currents in the adjacent shield, creating a transfer of energy or cross-talk between circuits.

Note that the outer edge of the shield is folded to tuck the edge of toil out of the way where it cannot short to the adjacent shield.



The inner fold again provides the electrical equivalent of a solid aluminum tube. Belden calls this combination of two folds in one shield a "Z" fold because an end view of the unwrapped tape looks like the letter "Z". Q. How much signal isolation results between pairs, when aluminum foil is on the inside, and Mylar layer outside?

A. This type of construction obtains isolation of more than 100 db between pairs, per thousand feet of cable, at 10 Kc. The short-circuited tape shield makes the cable quite suitable for use at frequencies ranging from audio to RF.

Q. Do any contact-resistance problems arise between the drain wire and the aluminum foil shield on Beldfoil?

A. No. Belden design and field service experience on millions of cable-feet in wide service environment have proved this point of reliability.

Q. Can Beldfoil shields be used over small single conductors as well as over large complex cables?

A ves. Belden applies it on groups from .050" to 1.25" OD.

Q. Design engineers are constantly faced with miniaturization problems. What about the size of Beldfoil shielded cables?

A. Beldfoil definitely reduces the diameter of multi-conductor cables . . , in some instances by as much as 66%%. The small diameter provides design engineers with extra conduit space, extra raceway, extra console and rack space.

Q. How can I determine which type of shield I should choose for a given cable?

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Studying and Controlling IC Reliability



By H. T. GO Product Reliability Consultant, Aerospace Division Westinghouse Defense & Space Center, P. O. Box 746, Baltimore 3, Md.

ANALYSIS OF FAILED IC's show that most of today's reliability problems stem from their processing. We can enhance our knowledge of IC Reliability, if the following factors are studied, analyzed, and determined on a qualitative, as well as a quantitative basis:

1. The Effect of Manufacturing Processes on Device Reliability

2. The Measurement and Verification of Device Reliability

3. The Derivation of Reliability Predictors and Screens

A study program, described here, would yield a method to control and monitor IC reliability through process control. Also, potential failures can be screened out, while an estimate of individual device reliability is feasible.

The Effect of Manufacturing Processes

The reliability of a product is set by its design and inanufacturing. It is, therefore, essential that there be control points in any critical part of the manufacturing. In the case of semiconductor devices, enough solid state theory is known to assure a good design. The many variables in the processing are still a source for variation in the reliability level. Since reliability is a function of design and processing, a numerical relation ship between processing and reliability of a finished product can be found by way of:

1. A lot identification system to maintain the production history for each group of devices. Then it becomes possible to relate failures from any source back to the processing.

2. An in-process quality control system which has inspection stations at critical points. Inspection results shall be plotted into statistical control charts where trends in quality levels can be watched.

3. A system which verifies the reliability level of the products at given time intervals.

A lot identification system is an administrative matter which should be designed for one specific need.

Process Control Charts

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To obtain a continuous measure of process performance, statistical control charts are a must. Generally, two kinds of control charts can be used:

1. Charts for variables. (X, S-charts)

2. Charts for attributes. (p-charts: c-charts)

The control limits for the charts are calculated as the average value ± 3 times the standard deviation.

$$\dot{X} - \text{chart} : \overline{X} \pm 3 \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x - x_i)^2}{n (n - 1)}}$$

$$p - \text{chart} : \overline{p} \pm 3 \sqrt{\frac{\overline{p} (1 - \overline{p})}{n}}$$

$$c \text{ chart} : \overline{c} \pm 3 \sqrt{\frac{\overline{c}}{c}}$$

The existence of control limits on a statistical control chart show that because of process limitations, defecEffective reliability improvement and control can only be achieved when the effect of processing variables on reliability of the device is known and understood. To establish this correlation, a method must be developed that accurately and economically estimates device reliability.

tive items still have a change of being accepted and further processed into the final product. In other words, there are some discrepant units escaping through each check point. To show the numerical level of escape, an index is used which gives the difference in the observed and nominal value in units of standard deviation, for example:

$$\overline{X} - \text{chart} : \text{Index} = \frac{\overline{X} - \overline{X}_i}{S/\sqrt{n}} = \frac{\overline{X} - \overline{X}_i}{\sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (\overline{X} - x_i)^2}{n(n-1)}}}$$
$$p - \text{chart} : \text{Index} = \frac{\overline{p} - p}{S} = \frac{\overline{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{\overline{p} (1 - \overline{p})}{n}}}$$
$$c - \text{chart} : \text{Index} = \frac{\overline{c} - c}{S} = \frac{\overline{c} - c}{\sqrt{\overline{c}}}$$

According to Q.C. practice, an index value greater than 3 points to an "out of control" condition of the process.

Reliability Verification

For semiconductor devices, reliability verification can be a stabilization bake, burn-in, step-stressing or add-on life testing. This should be done on a continuous basis. From the verification test, an estimate can be made of the device failure rate. This, along



Photo shows the formation of the infamous "purple plague" which has appeared in semiconductors.



Shorted base-collectors were caused during handling by aluminum being dragged across the junctions by a worker with tweezers.

This photo chemistry fault is most probably a flaw of the mask, connecting the base area of the two transistors as shown.





Photo voltage picture of the base-emitter region of a mesa transistor. Dark lines and spots indicate regions of high recombinations. Light shading between contacts indicate chamnelling.



Scanning electron photomicrographs (above & below) of a biased DCTL NOR gate, showing irregularity in the p-wall isolation of the transistors.



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with a lot identification system and the escape index, yields information about the relationship of process control and reliability by constructing the following graph:



Each point represents an individual lot that went through processing steps $1, 2 \ldots n$ and finally life tested. The slopes of the curves show the effect a certain process step has on the reliability. Thus, a direct relationship is set between the process quality level and the Failure Rate, that is, control limits can be determined for each processing step to assure that each lot will not exceed a given failure rate goal or parameter limit.

This approach can also be applied to check the control we have in achieving desired device characteristics in terms of parameters. Instead of the Failure Rate, parameter values or drift can be plotted on the vertical axis. The effect of process changes on reliability can also be studied. For instance, the "student's" t significance test is based on the ratio of t

$$= \frac{\text{Error in Mean}}{\text{Standard Error of Mean}} = \frac{\overline{X} - \overline{x}}{S/\sqrt{n-1}}$$
$$= \frac{/\overline{X} - \overline{x}/\sqrt{n-1}}{S}$$

Since the horizontal axis is already in multiples of S, the t value of each point in the graph can be found by multiplying it with $\sqrt{n-1}$ (n = sample size). Supposedly, point A is the result of a change is process 2, the significance of the change can be found by multi-

plying S_A with $\sqrt{n-1}$ to obtain the Student t value. Thereafter, with a given number of degrees of

freedom, the significance level of the process change can be learned.

Reliability Measurement & Verification

Reliability is defined as the probability that a device will operate within given parameter limits for a given time, under given operating conditions. Normal component reliability life tests become too costly for ICs. A less costly accelerated stress type test is needed.

When an accelerated stress-time relationship has been set and validated on a product, it should be tried on ICs made by others for general applicability. The study must be a complete and thorough analysis of external, was well as internal failure mechanisms noted during the test. This approach should be checked by comparing the failures under stressed conditions, as shown in the tests, as being basically the same as those occurring at normal ambients. This will validate the above-mentioned aging methods. Once found to be valid, an accelerated testing method, is very useful in estimating product failure rate. Also, for learning the effect of process or design changes and reliability improvement measures.

Some work has been done in the failure pattern of ICs under accelerated temperature stress. Early data points to the Log-Log and Eyring eqs. as the best fit:

Log-Log Relation:	$F = F_o T^m$ where T is the temp. in °C and
	m is a time dependent constant.
Eyring Relation:	$F = F_o T e - \frac{C}{T}$ where T is the absolute
	temp. given in $^{\circ}$ K and C is a constant depending on the activation energy.
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The time element of the Log-Log relationship seems to be in the exponent m which approximated the relationship $m = t^a$, where t is time in hours, and a is a constant, which is less than unity. This means that when plotted on log-log paper, the failure curves have higher slope values for greater time intervals, giving converging failure curves. In the case of temperature stress, this shows that at highly elevated temperatures, material degradation is more heat than time dependent. The same test data that has been fitted to the log-log relation is tested for fit with the Eyring equation. A very good fit is also obtained as shown in Table 1, where R:



 S_y = Standard error of estimate of the Y value.

 s_y = Standard Deviation of the Y value.

Table 1 TEMPERATURE STEP-STRESS TEST RESULTS

	Log-Log	R	Eyring	R
48-Hr Step	$F = 0.27 T^{2.8}$	0.99	$F = 1.1 Te - \frac{-1787}{T}$	0.97
96-Hr Step	$F = 0.54 T^{1.2}$ $(T = {}^{\circ}C)$	0.97	$\mathbf{F} = 0.9 \ Te \frac{-132}{(T = {}^{\circ}K)}T$	0.87

The log-log has the advantage of simplicity, while the Eyring Eq. opens the opportunity to relate device failure to device geometry. When gross mechanical failures are eliminated from IC's, the Eyring Eq. is more accurate in describing failure occurrence. More tests should be done to pin-point the time relationship of these two.

Reliability Predictors & Screens

Several screening methods are available, of which the following are most interesting, because of their non-destructive nature.

Scanning Electron Microprobe: The working of the Scanning Electron Microprobe is based on the emission of secondary electrons from the specimen under study. An electron collector, biased at high potential with respect to the specimen, attracts secondary electrons and provides a proportional signal. This signal is converted into a picture, where the modulation of intensity corresponds with the quantity of secondary electrons from the specimen surface. This picture is of surface potential which may be affected by the electrical biases applied to the specimen (which can be a functional microelectronic block).

The detection of a failure in such a complex structure would be an almost hopeless task without a tool such as this. Here external biases may be varied while observations of those transistors cutoff and those saturated may be made. Then, by comparing observed conditions with those expected for the impressed biases, you can learn which circuits are okay, and which have failed.

Infrared Techniques (IR): Most failures are of a chemical or electrochemical nature which is speeded by heat. The heat from a device under bias might thus be used as a sign of potential (un)reliability. The

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Table 2

FAILURE MECHANISMS IN INTEGRATED CIRCUITS

The failure mechanisms observed for present day ICs are dominated by mechanical type failures as shown below:

Cause	Failure Mechanism
Electrical overstress.	Melting of the lead wires and metallic inter- connects creates an open connection.
Poor bonding technique and control.	The lead wires were touching either the sub- strate edge or the package lid.
	Plague formation created an open.
	Gold splatter during the bonding operation created a shorting path between two adjacent connections.
	Lifting of bond created an open.
Poor alloying technique.	Aluminum "over-run" created a short between adjacent connections.
Dirty surface and poor passivation.	Leakage between adjacent junctions.
Poor design.	Leakage between adjacent junctions.
Poor workmanship and visual inspection.	Scratched or open interconnect.
Poor photochemistry.	Missing oxide and random Al-strips.
Poor workmanship.	Wrong markings.
Contaminated evaporator or dirty oxide surface.	Lifting of aluminum interconnect.
Misalignment.	High resistance contact.
Dirt particle acts as a mask against diffusion.	Incomplete diffusion.
Mechanical and environmental stress.	Package Failures. Two kinds of package failures can be distinguished. a. mechanical—non hermetically sealed package.
	b. electrical stray current path among the package terminals caused by residue of con- ductive chemicals. Inadequate leak detection techniques are part of the problem. The widely used combi- nation of gross leak and helium leak test does not completely cover the total leak spectrum. A gap exists for the detection of leaks in the 10^{-4} to 10^{-5} cc/sec. range. The use of Kr ⁸⁵ (krypton) to cover the complete spectrum of $10^{-2.5} - 10^{-9}$ cc/sec., showed good results.
Imperfect oxide.	 Oxide Failures. a. Voids or holes in the oxide layer expose the silicon. The metallized inter- connect pattern, which is deposited on top of the oxide layer, can thus pen- etrate the oxide protection and make contact to the silicon substrate. These holes can be created by faulty oxide growth, damaged mask, poor photo- resist and so-called undercut by etching. b. The oxide on the surface of a junction, consists of several layers successively grown at different diffusion steps. And as such may contain different impur- ities and contaminants. It can make the oxide conductive, resulting in the creation of channels.
Bulk Imperfection.	Bulk Failures. Most of present day bulk problems are associated with the imperfection in the silicon crystal. Dislocations of the crystal lattice results in the formation of epitaxial spikes, which during diffusion create non uniform junctions and "pipes".

Moisture inside package. Deterioration of interconnects. This failure mechanism is closely related to package failures. Moisture or any corrosive substance inside the package attacks the aluminum interconnects resulting in

an open circuit.

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heat dissipated by energized components is measured by its IR emission. In other words, every component is transmitting, by way of IR, the proportional amount of current flowing through it.

In the same group of heat detection methods through IR, the "Thermographic Technique" is also worthwhile mentioning. Here, a high resistivity thermographic phosphor is sprayed on top of the component. When irradiated with an ultraviolet light, the bright yellow fluorescence is quenched or darkened by the heated component, proportional to its temperature.

Noise Measurements: Five basic types of noise can be detected in a semiconductor device:

Thermal Noise—Generated by random thermal motion of changed particles.

Shot Noise—Generated as a result of the random passage of discrete carriers across a barrier or discontinuity, such as a semiconductor junction.

Excess Noise—Results from the passage of current through a semiconductor material.

Avalanche Noise—Carriers in a high voltage gradient develop enough energy to dislodge more carriers through physical impact.

Multistate Noise—Consists of erratic switching that is generated within the device at various sharply defined levels of applied current.

Abnormal noise in a semiconductor device stems from *abnormality* within the device. Excess noise and avalanche noise have been claimed, for resistors and transistors, to be a good sign of potential unreliability. More work is needed here.

Here is a suggested plan for investigation:

a. Develop suitable bias conditions for measurement of noise.

b. Measure many devices and sort out very high and very low noise blocks. Study reasons for relative amount of noise.

This represents a failure because of deterioration of the interconnects due to moisture or corrosive substance inside of the package.



c. Measure noise of a number of 1Cs. Stress to failure, analyze, and see if noise and stress resistance correlate.

d. If shown to be feasible in (c), develop a production screen.

Mathematical Screening — Linear Discriminant Analysis: Mathematical Screening is based on the philosophy that physical faults contributing to device degradation, in one way or the other, affect the device parameters. Device parameters are studied for any statistical correlation between behavior and following failure. Here is a suggested plan for investigation:

a. Using test data from accelerated as well as conventional life testing performed at fixed time intervals, parameter distribution patterns can be set as a time and stress dependent. The parameters most sensitive to drift and/or sudden failure can be found and assigned a weight factor, based on the frequency of occurrence of the parameter as a failure mode. b. Investigate the applicability of the method by comparing the weight factors of different device types and finding any existing relationship between device type and weight factor. Also, the effect or operational time and environment on the weight factor shall be analyzed and determined.

c. Determine the efficiency and thus the feasibility of using the screening method.

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HIGHLY ACCURATE PEDESTAL

A UNIQUE METHOD OF LOCATING AND GRINDING eccentrics on elevation bearings has produced a highly accurate pedestal. The pedestal, an elevation-over-azimuth type, can be used in ground-based or shipboard tracking. Currently, system accuracy for such pedestals exceeds 0.5 mils and digital-data pick-off and alignment errors are 0.05 mils peak.

Verticality of the mount is established with electronic split-bubble levels to accuracies better than 5 sec. of arc. Train bearing and elevation axis wobbles are limited to ± 5 sec. of arc and axis. The unique method of locating and grinding eccentrics on the elevation bearings shows its advantages in the inorthogonality. Tests to locate an inorthogonality of 0.00005 in. across 75 in. failed to reveal even this much error.

The mount gives continuous azimuth rotation and coverage in elevation from -16° to $+196^{\circ}$. The type 2 servo system which meets these requirements has the following features: chopper-stabilized operational amplifiers: acceleration coefficient of $180/\sec^2$ at the highest bandwidth setting: direct drive to de torquers which completely eliminate backlash; slave, manual and autotrack modes: tracking and slew rates up to $60^{\circ}/\sec$, in azimuth and $30^{\circ}/\sec$, in elevation; and 5 selected bandwidths. A type 3 servo system could be provided for even more stringent uses. The pedestal uses 17-bit encoders, along with 0.05% sin/cosine potentiometers.

The reflector used is a 12 ft. fiberglass honeycomb unit with an R^2 distribution of error. Reflectors as large as 30 ft. can be used with no redesign required.

The antenna assembly has a max. deflection of 0.07 mils under all environmental conditions. Optical deflections are limited to 5 sec. of arc. Electronic Specialty Co., 4561 Colorado Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90039.

Pedestal has inorthogonality of less than 0.00005 in.





High-Efficiency Power Supply

THE LARGELY INTEGRATED CONTROL section in this design makes it possible to build small, compact units having low assembly and maintenance costs. Also, the very fast turn-on and turn-off times of the output devices minimize switching dissipation. Thus, high operating frequencies can be used and the power transformer can be small.

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Although the unit described here provides a dc output of +20v, the

design can easily be adapted to supply almost any voltage desired; e.g., 3.5v for μL elements in an airborne use or both +12v and -6v for transistor circuitry in a variety of uses. These uses include computers, radar and navigational equipment, etc. The design described uses largely industrial/commercial grade μL elements, but the military components suggested in Tables 1 and 2 can be substituted if necessary.

Voltage regulation for the +20V supply is 1% for a load variation of 0—5a, and could be improved by providing higher gain within the feedback loop.

Fig. 1 is a diagram of the overall power supply. It includes: (1) the largely integrated control section, which supplies symmetrical waveforms to the driver and power output stages, thus greatly facilitating transformer construction; (2) the driver and "high-level

A design for a switching-type high-efficiency power supply with feedback regulation is described. Using integrated circuits and ultra high speed power output transistors, its performance is excellent. It is well suited to applications requiring compactness and small size as well as low assembly and maintenance costs.

> logic" stages, which provide power gain; and (3) the output stage. Voltage regulation is provided by feeding back an error voltage from the output to the operational amplifier in the control circuitry. This is used to adjust the conduction time of the output switching amplifiers.

Control Circuitry

Fig. 2 is a block diagram of the control circuitry; Fig. 3 shows the waveforms at indicated points; and Fig. 4 is a schematic diagram. The design is a combination of analog and digital methods. The square wave generator output (A) is separately integrated and differentiated. It produces waveforms B and C, whose sum (D) is a triangular peaked waveform. This waveform appears at one input to the level comparator,



Fig. 2: Control circuitry block diagram.

Fig. 3: Control circuitry waveforms.

b Waveform

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while a steady error or control voltage e_c appears at the other. Twice per cycle, the instantaneous value of D passes above or below e_c . This causes the comparator output to change level, forming a square wave. If the level of e_c shifts up or down, the leading and trailing edges of the output square wave shift about the peaks of the triangular wave. Symmetry is thus preserved. The spikes on D prevent an inoperative condition when e_c becomes larger or smaller than the peak values of the triangular wave alone.

The trigger and inverter circuit decreases the rise time of the comparator square wave and produces complementary waveforms (F and G). These waveforms drive the binaries, whose outputs are directly coupled to the associated driver circuits. The binaries are interconnected so that the state of one controls the state of the other. This is done to prevent a 180° phase ambiguity which could otherwise occur in the binary outputs when dc supply power is first applied. Each binary puts out a pair of complementary square waves (H, H and J, J), whose frequency is half that of the square wave generator output and displaced $\frac{1}{4}$ cycle from the output of the other binary.

Square-wave generator—The square-wave generator is a self-starting symmetrical multivibrator (MVB) composed of two of the gates in a μ L 927 quad inverter. Its frequency (5 KHy) is controlled by the equal-timeconstant pairs R₁ C₂ and R₄ C₃. Proper initiation and maintenance of MVB action is insured thusly: The collector of each μ L 927 inverter is connected through a diode (D₁ or D₂) to capacitor C₁, which supplies drive to the bases of both inverters. D₁ and D₂ form a logical "OR" gate which allows C₁ to become charged if either or both outputs from the inverter collectors go in the positive direction. Thus, it is impossible for both inverters to be saturated at once since this condition would eliminate both base drives. After the MVB is running normally, the needed charge on C_1 is maintained by alternate conduction of D_1 and D_2 .

To insure a square-wave output of about equal rise and fall times, the collector of each inverter is returned to the supply voltage not only through discrete components $D_3 R_2$ and $D_4 R_3$, respectively, but also through an integrated resistor inside the Micrologic element. By taking the output across this integrated resistor, the usual degradation of rise time due to charging current from the coupling capacitor (C_2 or C_3) is avoided. This is because the charging current flows through the discrete-component resistor and is isolated from the output by the diode (D_3 or D_4). Although only one output is needed, the external path to the supply voltage is added to both collectors to help maintain symmetry of output.

Operational integrator—The basic operational integrator circuit consists of a third inverter in the µL 927 element with C_6 and R_5 in the feedback loop. Forward-biased diodes D5 and D6 provide self-regulating Class-A bias similar to the normal zener biasing method. But, it is more suited to this circuit because of the low voltage bias requirement. Emitter-resistor bias could not be used in view of the low supply voltage (3 vdc). Base bias current is obtained from the collector circuit through the bias diodes and R7 and R8. A dc collector voltage of about 1.5 v is fixed primarily by the V_{BE} of the μL 927 transistor and the two diode drops, the voltage dropped across R_7 and R_8 being small, C7 and R8 form a low-pass filter that couples the dc component of the collector voltage to the bias diodes. Since the integrator operates only on an ac basis, integrating a symmetrical square wave, C₄ sim-



plifies coupling between the square-wave generator and the integrator by blocking dc voltage.

Differentiator—The differentiator circuit consists of C_5 , R_6 and R_9 . Since the output of the integrator is introduced at one end of R_9 , current summing of the integrated and differentiated waves produces the triangular peaked waveform at the junction of R_6 and R_9 . This waveform is directly coupled into one input of the level comparator. The controlling error voltage is introduced into the other.

Level Comparator—The level comparator is a μA 702A analog integrated element operating without feedback. Effect of the dc component of the direct-coupled triangular wave is offset by biasing the operational amplifier in the following manner: pin 4 of the μA 702A, which is normally connected to a negative supply, is grounded; pin 1, the common amplifier input terminal, is operated at +3 vdc, and the positive-supply input terminal (pin 8) at +9 v. Thus, the effective positive and negative supply voltages are $+6\nu$ and -3ν , respectively. A single output, a square wave of controlled duration, is taken from pin 7.

Trigger and inverter—A μ L 914 dual 2-input gate connected as a cascaded pair of saturating amplifiers between the comparator and the frequency dividers serves two functions: (1) it insures reliable triggering of the dividers by improving the rise and fall times of the square wave; and (2) it provides complementary inputs to the dividers.

Frequency dividers—Two μ L 923 J-K Flip-Flop elements divide the input trigger pulses by two. This provides complementary, symmetrical outputs displaced from each other in time by the width of the input pulse. Suitable negative-going pulses for the trigger (pin 2) input of each divider are obtained by coupling and differentiating the complementary square wave outputs from the μ L 914 gates through networks C₈ R₁₂ and C₉ R₁₃, respectively. The ambiguity elimination set line goes from pin 5 of the lower binary to pin 1 of the upper. Complementary outputs are obtained from pins 5 and 7 of each binary.

Supply voltage—Needed supply potentials are obtained from the combination resistor-diode divider network consisting of R_{14} and R_{15} and D_7 through D_{11} . Appropriate points are bypassed by C_{10} and C_{11} .

Driver Circuitry

The driver's operate push pull, each device conducting a full 180°. A single driver circuit "H" is shown in Fig. 5. The driver power-output transistors Q_3 and Q_4 are predriven by Q_2 and Q_5 . Since the 1v level of the drive voltage signals (H and H) from the control binaries is insufficient to control predrivers Q_2 and Q_5 directly, voltage-gain stages Q_1 and Q_6 are









Fig. 7: Output stage, and reference and error amplifier (above).





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added. Capacitive coupling is used between the collectors of the voltage-gain stages and the bases of the predrivers. This is done so that, in the absence of drive signals, Q_2 and Q_5 , being unbiased, will not conduct. The danger of overdissipation of the output transistors Q_3 and Q_4 is thus eliminated. To provide further assurance of turn-off in the absence of drive, D_{13} is placed in the common-emitter path of both output devices. Direct coupling may be used between the control binaries and the voltage-gain stages to minimize components.

The predriver stages are in the common-collector setup, directly coupled into the bases of Q_3 and Q_4 . The predriver collectors are supplied with +10 vdc through D_{15} . The output-transistor bases are referenced to ground by R_{20} and R_{21} . Diodes D_{12} and D_{14} are used for transient damping. They return the energy stored in the leakage inductance of the driver output transformer T_1 to the power supply. C_{13} is a supply bypass.

High-Level Logic Circuitry

Two secondary windings of each driver transformer supply 6 v peak to peak, and two supply 15 v peak to peak, Fig. 6a. The secondary windings are connected

Table 1 TRANSISTOR COMPLEMENT

Ť			Characteristics			
T _{max} (oper.)	Pmax	hFE	VCE (sat)	ВVсво	Ts	General Remarks
125°C	0.3w at 65°C case	$\begin{array}{l} 100 - 400 \\ I_{\rm C} = 10 \ ma \\ V_{\rm CE} = 1\nu \end{array}$				General-purpose NPN with low V _{CE} (set)
200°C	2.8w at 100°C case	$\begin{array}{c} 40 \ - \ 120 \\ l_{\rm C} \ = \ 150 \ ma \\ V_{\rm CE} \ = \ 1\nu \end{array}$			-	Medium-power NPN with low VCE (sat)
125°C	0.42w at 65°C case	$\begin{array}{c} 30 - 67 \\ I_{\rm C} = 50 \rm ma \\ V_{\rm CE} = - 1\nu \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} - \ 0.25v \\ I_{\rm C} = 50 \ ma \\ I_{\rm B} = 2.5 \ ma \end{array} I$	$\begin{array}{l} -25v\\ c = 100\mu a\\ E = 0 \end{array}$	-	Medium-high-curren PNP switch
150°C	15w at 75°C case	$\begin{array}{l} 100 \ - \ 300 \\ I_{\rm C} \ = \ 2a \\ V_{\rm CE} \ = \ 2v \end{array}$			$0.5\mu s turn-on$ $1\mu s turn-off$ $I_C = 10a$	High-Current NPN switch
		Table 2 D	IODE COMPLEM	IENT		
BV					Peakana	Remarks
			1	PD	Раскаде	Remarks
> 75v $I_{\rm R} = 5\mu a$	< 100 na V _R = 50v	< 1v $I_F = 10$ ma		a,	DO — 7 glass	High-speed switch
$\frac{5}{I_{\rm R}} = \frac{500 \mu a}{250 \mu a}$		$\overline{<}$ 1v I _F = 1.0a	\geq 100 nsec I _F = 1.0a V _R = 30v	⇒ 1.0w	1W glass	High-speed rectifier
	(oper.) 125°C 200°C 125°C 150°C 150°C BV ≥ 75v I _R = 5μa ≥ 250v	(oper.) P_{max} 125°C 0.3w at 65°C case 200°C 2.8w at 100°C case 125°C 0.42w at 65°C case 125°C 0.42w at 65°C case 150°C 15w at 75°C case BV I _R $575v$ $<$ 100 na I _R = 5 μ a V_R = 50v $>$ 2500v $<$ 500 na	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

to the high-level logic circuits (Fig. 6b). These supply symmetrical, positive-going pulses (waveform 5, Fig. 6c) to the output switching devices.

Turn-off Waveform—Waveform 3 in Fig. 6c is generated by combining \overline{H}_2 and J_2 in an or gate. When either \overline{H}_2 or J_2 is negative, 3 is negative; otherwise it is zero. D_{16} and D_{17} (Fig. 6b) assure that only a negative-going output will appear at 3. Capacitor C_{15} determines the charge initially removed from the output transistor base to effect turn-off. R_{26} serves two functions: (1) it provides a direct path to the output transistor base to maintain cutoff; and (2) it supplies a discharge path for C_{15} so that C_{15} will be ready to absorb charge on its next operating cycle. Note that Waveform 5 at the output transistor base is alternately negative for turn-off and positive for turn-on.

Turn-on Waveform—When \overline{H}_1 and J_1 are of the same polarity, Waveform 4 is of this polarity, but when \overline{H}_1 and J_1 are of opposite polarity, no voltage appears at 4. The magnitude of 4 is the linear sum of \overline{H}_1 and J_1 . During the turn-on interval D_{18} is forward-biased and the base drive applied to Q_7 through R_{27} is negative, so that Q_7 is driven into saturation. Thus a path exists to the output transistor base (5) for a turn-on current whose magnitude is limited by R_{28} . Isolation—Isolation between the turn-on and turn-off circuits is provided as follows: during the turn-off interval when \overline{H} and J are negative, D_{18} is reversebiased and Q_7 is held off by the positive signal on its base. Thus no path for current flow from point 3 to point 4 exists. During the turn-on interval, when \overline{H} and J are positive, \overline{H}_2 and J_2 are of larger amplitude than \overline{H}_1 and J_1 . Current flow is therefore prevented by reverse bias on D_{16} and D_{17} .

Switching Amplifiers, Bridge Rectifier, and Filter

As shown in Fig. 7, the output stage consists of two switching power amplifiers. Q_8 and Q_9 , transformer-coupled to the rectifier and filter circuitry. This circuitry supplies a constant dc voltage to the load and to a reference amplifier (Q_{10}) use for voltage regulation. Transistors Q_8 and Q_9 are arranged in push-pull and held alternately on and off by positiveand negative-going signals from the high-level logic circuitry. C_{16} bypasses the power input terminal, providing a low-impedance path to ground for the load current. Coupling transformer T_3 operates as a linear transformer. A bridge (D_{19} , D_{20} , D_{21} , and D_{22}) is used to rectify the output. Alternatively, a full-wave

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Fig. 1: Here is a typical tunnel diode characteristic curve.

Interest in tunnel diodes has gone up and down

Some of this fluctuation is due to a lack of under-

Understanding the **TUNNELLING PHENOMENON**

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THE OBJECT HERE is to present a simplified explanation of why the tunnel current exists. This involves the use of quantum physics. The basic groundwork for the understanding of quantum physics is given. If you wish to look deeper into quantum physics, then check the references given at the end.

The tunnel diode is a two terminal, PN junction device, showing negative resistance characteristics for certain values of bias voltage. Fig. 1 is a normal tunnel diode curve. The region in which the current decreases as the voltage increases is the negative resistance region. It is in this region that the diode must operate. The name, tunnel diode, arises from the fact that electrons *appear* to "tunnel" through the PN junction when working in the negative resistance region.

Quantum Physics

When one delves into the sub-atomic world, i. e., a world that is not apparent, classical physics has reached its limits. It is more concerned with the overall effects, such as the diffraction of a beam of light. And as such, it must give way to quantum physics, which is concerned with the sub-atomic world, a world made up of particles.

The deBroglie equation ; $\lambda = h/mv$; is the assumption upon which deBroglie based his work in quantum physics. This equation gives the relationship between the electron wavelength and the electron energy, where :

 λ is the deBroglie wavelength of the particle.

h is Plancks' constant, a universal constant of nature. m is the mass of the particle in question.

v is the velocity of the particle.

This equation says that if the electron is allowed to have an infinite number of wavelengths, there would be an infinite number of energy levels for the electron. But an electron must occupy an orbit of an atom. And, for an electron to occupy an orbit, the deBroglie halfwavelength must fit an integral number of times into the length of the orbit. An electron orbit cannot support any other wavelengths because of wave attenuation.

Bohrs' model of the atom gives a finite number of allowable orbits for an electron. Hence, there are a finite number of energy bands available for an electron. We say bands, because there are several energy levels within each band. The electrons in the same orbit interact to make several energy levels within the band. Each electron within a shell will occupy a different energy level within the energy band for that shell.

These bands are wide apart, with the region between the bands called the forbidden region. For in this region no energy levels can exist. This is because the deBroglie equation does not allow any energy levels there.

There are several of these bands. But, we are interested in the uppermost forbidden band, the band below this, (the valence band), and the band above this, (the conduction band).

For an electron to become a current carrier, it must occupy an energy level in the conduction band. Also there must be a hole, or absence of an electron, at the same energy level for the electron to move to.

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Fig. 2: The atomic diagram is



Fig. 3: An atomic diagram for a N (3a) and a P (3b) type semiconductor showing the electron and hole movement in the material.

Fig. 4: Energy diagram showing the Fermi levels for doping levels of: A, N type of 10¹⁵ atoms per cc; B, N type, and; C, P type, both of 10¹⁰ atoms per cc.



The Atomic Diagram

A semiconductor has 4 valence electrons. These are the electrons in the outer orbit of the atom. The 4 electrons combine with 4 other atoms, as shown in Fig. 2, to form a neutral crystal. Now, if an atom with the valence of 5 is added, there will be an extra electron that does not fit into the normal pattern of the crystal. This atom has an electron that is not shared by 2 atoms, as shown in Fig. 2. Because this electron is bonded to only one atom, the energy required to free it is less than one shared by 2 atoms.

Once this electron is released from its parent atom, it floats around the crystal until it is trapped by a hole. This is a x type impurity because of the extra electron, or negative charge.

If an atom with the valence of 3 is added, there will be an absence of an electron, or a hole in the normal crystal structure. The result is a positive charge, which can trap free electrons. This is a P type impurity because of the extra hole, or positive charge.

Now let us apply a field to the crystal in the direction shown in Fig. 3. For the x type impurity, the field will supply enough added energy to elevate the extra electron to the conduction band and release it from its parent atom. This is shown by arrow 1 of Fig. 3a. This electron collides with another electron, and releases it (arrow 2). Meanwhile the hole will attract an electron from a neighboring atom, (arrow 3). Then another electron will be released from its parent atom to fill the hole created by 3 (arrow 4). The result is that an electron has moved to the left side and a hole to the right side. *(Continued on following page)*

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For the P type impurity, the field will supply the energy required to move the hole to the right, as shown in Fig. 3b. In this sketch the arrows represent hole movement. The original hole will move to a neighboring atom, which gives up an electron to the hole (arrow 5). This hole will, in turn, migrate toward the right side (arrows 6 and 7), as electrons move toward the left. The net result is that an electron is on the left, trapped by the original hole, and a hole is on the right side.

Fermi Level

The fermi level is defined as the energy level at which the probability of finding an electron 'n' energy units above it is the same as that for finding a hole 'n' energy units below it.

For a pure semiconductor, the fermi level is in the center of the forbidden band. The reason is that there are no electrons in the conduction band, and no holes in the valence band.

If some N type impurity is added, the fermi level will shift upwards. Because the energy level of the added electrons is greater than the electrons of the semiconductor. The more impurity atoms that are added, the more the fermi level will shift, as shown in Fig. 4. If some P type impurity is added, the fermi level will shift down.

If the impurity content is high enough, the fermi level will fall in the valence or conduction band, as for tunnel diodes. When a PN junction is formed, the crystal is one continuous atomic structure. Therefore the fermi level for the P and N sides of the junction will be at the same energy level.

When the fermi levels line up, the energy bands stay in the same relative position with respect to the fermi levels. This means that electrons have to shift from the N to the P region, and holes have to shift in the opposite direction. Therefore the P region has a net negative charge, and the N region has a net positive charge. This gives a potential barrier at the junction that opposes current flow. The results are shown in Fig. 5, which is the energy diagram for an unbiased tunnel diode.

If a potential barrier (such as the junction) is placed in the path of electron flow, classical physics states that all electrons will be reflected from it. This is assuming that the energy of the electrons is not great enough to go over the top of the barrier.

But quantum theory states that there is a possibility that some electrons will 'tunnel' through the barrier, as though it never existed. What actually happens to the electron while tunnelling is not fully understood. It is similar to electron flow in a wire. It is upon this fact that the tunnel diode was conceived.

As the barrier width decreases (or the transition from the N to the P region becomes narrower) the probability that an electron will tunnel increases. Also, as the energy of the electron increases, the tunnelling probability increases.





Fig. 6: Referring to Fig. 1, this is the energy diagram for point 2, the peak.



Tunnel Current

For tunnel current to flow, 3 conditions must be met. These are:

1, the junction must be very narrow;

2, several electrons must be available for tunnelling;

3, a hole must exist on the opposite side of the junction, at the same energy level.

The physical and atomic construction of the diode takes care of the first two items, while biasing takes care of the third.

Fig. 5 shows the energy diagram with no bias applied. This corresponds to point 1 on the curve of Fig. 1. The excess electrons are at the same energy level as the electrons on the other side of the junction, so no current flows.

As the bias is increased, the energy level of the excess electrons will increase with respect to the energy level of the excess holes. This will cause some overlap between the excess electrons and the excess holes. There will be some current flow, represented by a horizontal transition across the forbidden gap. Fig. 6, corresponding to point 2 of Fig. 1, shows the condition for peak current. At this point the added electrons and the excess holes are at the same energy level, so maximum tunnel current flows.

If the bias is increased still more, the electron energy will increase. Therefore the added electrons and holes will be offset from each other, with the electrons at the higher energy level. This will reduce the tunnelling

Fig. 7: Again, looking at Fig. 1,

this is the energy diagram for point 3.

current. This is shown in Fig. 7, which corresponds to point 3 on the curve.

At about point 3, a small amount of 'excess' current begins to flow. This current cannot be explained by tunnel theory, and is not easily explained by normal diode current. This excess current can be looked at as electrons obtaining enough energy to climb the barrier. This is shown by the dashed arrow of Fig. 7. It is this excess current which causes the non-linearity in the lower region of the negative resistance part of the curve.

If the bias is increased still more, the excess electrons will become more offset from the excess holes. This is shown by Fig. 8, which corresponds to point 4 of Fig. 1. The added electrons are at a higher energy level than the excess holes, so no tunnel current flows. The current at this point is excess current, as shown by the arrows.

As the bias is increased still more, normal diode current will flow, and the curve follows a normal diode curve.

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Fig. 8: And last, the energy diagram for the valley of the curve in Fig. 1.



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When a zero-volt level is applied to the base of transistor Q_1 through resistor R_1 , transistor Q_1 is biased off. Tran: stor Q_2 is driven into saturation by current from the 2- 5v supply through resistors R_2 and R_3 . The output of transistor Q_2 turns transistor Q_3 on and allows the 18v supply to be applied through transistor Q_3 to the digital matrix. The collector-emitter voltage in transistor Q_3 is about 5my.

Whereas ideal output levels are $18.0v_1$ and $0.0v_2$, actual performance obtainable is $18.005v \pm 5mv_1$, and $0.030v \pm 15mv_2$. Although the speed of operation of this clamping circuit technique is limited by the charge storage in transistor Q_1 , it may be useful for analog, digital, and hybrid circuit applications.

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VOLTAGE VARIABLE OSCILLATOR

ALTHOUGH FREQUENCY-MODULATED OSCILLATORS are available, their uses are restricted by certain operating limitations. In LC or reactance-tube oscillators, relatively low levels of phase stability are normal, and in piezoelectric crystal oscillators, modulation is limited to a fraction of a percent of the center frequency.

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The resonant part of the oscillator consists of two identical series resonant circuits, each consisting of an inductor (L) and a voltage variable capacitance (C_v) loosely coupled by capacitor C_2 . Since C_v is a voltage



variable capacitance, the oscillator frequency can be varied by applying a modulating voltage.

A low-pass filter section, consisting of C_1 , L_1 and C_2 is used to isolate the r-f oscillator signal from the modulating signal. The filter load resistor R has a resistance much greater than the capacitance reactance of C_2 at the oscillation frequency.

Amplifier negative feedback is done by the network consisting of C_3 , D_1 , D_2 and D_3 . A dc voltage proportional to the oscillator output voltage is developed across D_3 and C_3 and applied to the h-f point contact diodes D_1 and D_2 . If the amplifier output tends to increase, the higher output signal reduces the dynamic resistance of D_1 and D_2 and negative feedback to the amplifier increases to maintain a constant output signal level.

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Precise Voltage Regulation for Photomultipliers

The product of the previous dynode stages is multiplied at each dynode stage of a photomultiplier tube. To preserve any semblance of accuracy or predictability, the voltage at each stage must be precisely controlled. A method of providing this close control is provided here.

THE MODERN CONCEPT OF PHOTOELECTRICITY stems from Einstein's genius and the development of the quantum theory. His classic equation, $\mathbf{E} = \frac{\mathbf{m}\mathbf{v}^2}{2} = h\mathbf{v} - \phi$, tells us that the maximum energy of the emitted photoelectron, $\frac{\mathbf{m}\mathbf{v}^2}{2}$, is proportional to the energy of the light quanta $h\mathbf{v}$ less the energy of the work function ϕ which must be given to an electron to allow it to escape the surface of the photocathode. The real progress that has been made in photosensitive cathodes, however, has paralleled the development of semiconductors and solid state technology.

The use of semiconductor materials instead of metals as the photoemitter cathode has an important advan-



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PHOTOMULTIPLIERS (Continued)

tage. The advantage is that their quantum efficiency in the visible spectrum exceeds that of the metals by a much higher ratio. It is up to 30% for semiconductors versus up to 0.1% for metals. These semiconductor materials have made possible special amplification methods which are used in the photomultiplier tubes.

Secondary Emission

Photoelectric emission is a relatively efficient process on a per quantum basis. But, the primary photocurrent for low light levels is so small that secondary electron emission is needed to provide enough current amplification to be useful. In the photomultiplier tube, photon energy impinging on a photocathode causes electron emission. These electrons are directed to a secondary emitting surface called a dynode. Impingement of the primary electron on the dynode causes 3 to 6 secondary electrons to be emitted per primary electron. These secondary electrons are directed to a second dynode where the process is repeated. Photomultiplier tubes may have as many as 14 dynodes. The last dynode is followed by an anode which collects the electrons and provides the output signal.

Coupling and focusing of multiple secondary-emission stages (dynodes) so that the secondary electrons from one become the primary electrons of the next results in a total gain which is an exponential function of the number of stages. This gain is described as a function of the voltage applied to the dynodes.

Need for a Regulated Supply

This indicates the need of providing a well regulated voltage supply for each of the dynode stages. A photomultiplier can be operated so that each stage is at the voltage needed for maximum secondary emission. But, such a condition would require about 500 v. per stage. The more normal and practical approach is to operate each dynode at the voltage which produces the maximum gain per volt. While this voltage varies from tube to tube, it is generally about 70 to 100 v. Thus, again we see the need for closely regulated voltage supplies.

Photomultiplier Classifications

The method by which electrons are directed from dynode to dynode determines photomultiplier classification. They may be classified as unfocused, electrostatically focused and electromagnetically focused. In unfocused structures such as the grid, Venetian-blind and box types, electrons are simply accelerated from dynode to dynode by means of grids. In electrostatically focused types a portion of each dynode serves to shape the electric field between dynodes so that secondary emission from one dynode is focused upon the



optimum area of the following dynode. Mutually perpendicular electric and magnetic fields provide similar focusing of secondary electrons in electromagnetically focused photomultipliers.

An electrostatically focused type with nine dynode stages before the collector anode may result in an overall gain of about one million at 100 v. per dynode stage. Variation of the amplification factor with the voltage per stage is shown in Fig. 1 for a typical 931-A tube. It can be seen that the gain is affected











Fig. 5: Dynode number 9 voltage vs. input voltage.



either by variations in the stage voltage of all the dynodes, or in the voltage of just one dynode. Thus, the photomultiplier amplification depends on the characteristics of the circuit supplying the needed interelectrode operating voltages. When this circuit is a simple resistive voltage divider, interstage currents of the tube may alter distribution of the dynode voltages. This may be done in a manner which causes limiting of the output current and loss of gain due to electrostatic defocusing and electron skipping of dynode stages.

Most common type of voltage divider used for the tube is a series of resistors which divide the applied voltage equally or unequally among the various dynode stages as needed by the tube's electrostatic focusing system, Fig. 2. In some uses the interstage currents are negligible compared with the divider current. Also, the relation between output current and light flux is linear. When there are large variations in light level. these interstage currents are not negligible. This reduction in current produces the greatest loss between the last dynode and the anode. If the total applied voltage is kept constant, the voltage lost in the output stages is redistributed among the preceding stages in a nonuniform manner. This causes unequal changes in the gain of the affected stages. It may cause electro-(Continued on page 136.)



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PUSHBUTTON SWITCHES	Type No. a Series	Round Button(C); Square(S); Bar(R)	Buttons Per Switch Assembly	Illuminated(I); Colors(C)	Momentary Action(5); Latching(L)	Snap Switch(SN); Leof(S); Slide(SL)	No. af Pales Per Station	Contact Form	Nom, DC Amps.	Nom. AC Amps.	@ Nom. Volts	Bush.Mtg.(B); Screws(SC); Snap-In(S)	Lug Terms.(T); Screws(SC); Leads(L)	Body Depth Behind Panel (In.)	Body Length (In.)
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For 3/16" quick con-

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WIRING FLEXIBILITY

Both coil and contact terminals are out front for ease of wiring and low cost assembly.

CONTACT FLEXIBILITY

Button type (a) and crossbar (b) power contacts available on same relay for multiple switching operations.

LOW COST MOUNTING

One screw, single hole standard front mounting reduces assembly time.

Open and Enclosed Printed Circuit Relays



Open type relays are available with printed circuit terminals for easy, low cost assembly to printed circuit board.



Enclosed type relay plugs into receptacle that is mounted directly to printed circuit board.



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CONTACTS-To 3PDT, Button-power, Crossbar-low energy loads.

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Fig. 1: Comparison photographs of plated phonographic record stampers illustrate the leveling ability of the BDT process. Photograph A, shown at approximately 500X, illustrates the "dog-boning" edge build-up and nodulization effects that are characteristic of many common gold



electroplating processes. Photograph B, pictured at approximately 900X, illustrates the leveling characteristics of one of the BDT processes. The record stampers are first given a nickel coating. The gold is then applied, followed by a nickel overlay.

GOLD PLATE LEVELS ROUGH SURFACES

We had an opportunity recently to view first hand a relatively new gold electroplating process. It is common in plating to have difficulty plating in valleys and to overplate on mountain areas. The "BDT" process at Sel-Rex Corporation appears to reverse this tendency. The build-up in the valleys is greater than on the peaks so that with continual plating, a smoothing of the surface results. (See Fig. 1.)

Key to the development is a new generation of noncyanide electrolytes. Sel-Rex, however, will not divulge the formula. Their main interest is in selling the plating baths and consulting on plating problems.

Advantages of the Process

BDT exhibits unusual uniformity of metal distribution. Where other electrolytes will vary in the build-up of the plate by as much as 30% depending on the contour of the parts being plated, tests show BDT deposits that vary no more than 8% in deposited coatings measured from edge or corner to side. This holds for thicknesses of 0.05 in. and greater.

The BDT process also builds surface brightness as the deposition increases. Nickel has been considered the best leveling (ability of an electroplated deposit to smooth out a surface) electroplated coating with a ratio of 2.5:1. BDT is able to level at the rate of 4 to 5:1. Also, BDT apparently has greater throwing power than other electrolytes—the ability of a system to deposit metal in recesses or crevices.

Comparison with Standard Baths

BDT baths rauge in purity from 98.0 to 99.9+ percent and in hardness from 110 to 240 Knoop. There are several BDT formulations. Although they are similar in basic characteristics, each has certain applications for which they are best suited. Compared to present high purity, ductile deposits which have a matte finish, the high purity BDT formulations are equally ductile, as resistant to oxidation at high temperatures; yet they are also mirror bright and harder. Actually, high purity, ductile matte deposits test only 70 to 110 on the Knoop scale. Like all high purity golds, BDT permits soldering, welding, die attachment and whisker wire bonding. Because BDT when deposited, does not build up on edges or projections (dog-boning), (see Fig. 2), a characteristic of other gold processes, the need for overplating to meet thickness specifications can be eliminated with a significant economic advantage to the user. Also, when exposed to high temperatures as high as its melting point, bright BDT deposits of gold do not discolor.

Applications

On connectors, where a stamping operation may have left a bad surface, the BDT plating process can help smooth out the surface depending upon thickness of plate.

On printed-circuit boards, on wearing surfaces such as finger tabs, BDT's anti-galiing or anti-coldwelding characteristics can prevent tabs or contacts from sticking while providing a harder wear surface.

Fig. 2: Cross-section of a gold plated copper bar demonstrating the uniformity of the deposits achieved with the BDT plating process. Magnified 8X, the bar has been plated to an extra heavy thickness of 0.013 in. to demonstrate how overplating to meet minimum thickness requirements on critical surfaces can be eliminated with BDT.



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- DUAL-TRACE DISPLAYS 20 mV/div through 10 V/div, dc-to- > 50 MHz. 10 mV/div, dc-to- > 45 MHz. 5 mV/div, dc-to- ≥40 MHz.
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- SINGLE SWEEP
- Time Base A.

 PRECISION SWEEP
- DELAY 50 sec to 1 μsec.
- DISPLAY FEATURES 4-inch rectangular tube; 6 x 10 div display area (1 div/0.8 cm); internal, illuminated graticule; 10 kV accelerating potential; P31 phosphor.

- TRIGGER SYSTEM To 50 MHz, from Channel 1 or combined signals (both sweeps). Trigger modes include AC, AC LF REJ, AC HF REJ, DC, AUTO. Trigger sources include INT, LINE, EXT, EXT ÷ 10.
- POWER REQUIREMENTS 96-127, 103-137, 192-254, or 206-274 V ac (≈100 W) 45 to 440 Hz.
- MECHANICAL FEATURES Net weight is ≈ 28 lbs. including panel cover; shipping weight is ≈ 36 lbs. Overall height including feet is 7½"; overall width including handle is 12½"; overall length including rear feet and front cover is 20½", including rear feet and extended carrying handle is 22³/s". Carrying handle may be set in any one of a number of positions for viewing convenience. Feet on rear provide for vertical operation.
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New products

PRECISION POTENTIOMETER

Resistance range 100Ω to $100K\Omega$ ($\pm 5\%$ max.) Linearity $\pm 1\%$. Model 3707 is a 10-turn, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. dia, potentiometer for industrial uses. Power rating is 1w. at 40°C, and operating temp. is -55° to 105°C. The units resolution is 0.09 to 0.02%. A special rotor design assures excellent wiper stability under 50G shock and 10G vibration. Price is \$10 in 100 quantities. Bourns, Inc., Trimpot Div., 1200 Columbia Ave., Riverside, Calif. Circle 148 on Inquiry Card





IC CARRIER

For testing and shipping of 1/4 x 1/8 in., 14-lead, IC packages.

Series 8351 integrated-circuit carrier has a spring-action lock for easy loading and quick assembly. The IC package fits into a 2-piece thermoplastic holder which can be heat sealed by the manufacturer for warranty purposes. This holder snaps into a glass-epoxy board, where spring-wiping contacts of beryllium copper make electrical contact with the integrated-circuit package leads. The carrier plugs into a standard 14-contact, card-edge connector with 0.156 in. center-to-center spacing for testing. Elco Corp., Willow Grove. Pa. 19090.

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SINE-COSINE GENERATOR

Model 530 is a 2-channel function generator for analog computation of sines and cosines. Max. static error is less than 25mv, and zero signal error is below 2mv. Accuracy better than 0.025% ($\pm 100v$) output. Sine capability is $\pm 270^{\circ}$ and cosine +180 to -270°. Zeltex, Inc., 2350 Willow Pass Rd., Concord, Calif.

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ROTARY INSTRUMENT SWITCH

Life of this 12-position switch exceeds 1 million cycles.

Series 2000 is a 12-position, 1 to 6 pole switch. Primary uses include precision bridges and decades, laboratory test equpment and thermocouple switching. The switch has silver contacts and external, adjustable stops. Contact resistance is less than 1 milliohm and varies less than $\frac{1}{2}$ milliohm after 1 million cycles. Industrial Devices, Inc., Edgewater, N. J. Phone 201 WH 3-4084. Circle 151 on Inquiry Cord



CERAMIC COIL FORMS

Ceramic coil forms come in 4 diameters: 0.205, 0.260, 0.375, and 0.500 in. The ceramic material conforms to Mil-1-10 Grade 523 specs. Brass cores and 6 grades of powdered iron permit use in freq. ranges between 50KC and 300MC. Bushing-mounted forms with fiberglas collars for high-Q/low-loss uses are available in 2-terminal and 4-terminal configurations. J. W. Miller Co., 5917 S. Main St., Los Angeles, Calif. Contact L. G. Crawford.

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STEREO MIXING CONSOLE

Seven mixing inputs are normalled via push-utton to 17 sources. Model AF-37A solid-state mixing console allows 7 mixing inputs to be normalled to 17 programs sources. 6 of which are dual stereo sources. In addition to its stereo design, the console contains facilities for simultaneous SCA operation from a separate program source by assigning a third output channel for this purpose. Melcor Electronics Corp., 1750 New Highway, Farmingdale, L. I., N. Y. 11735. Phone: 516 MY 4-5570.

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TAPE RECORDER

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WAFER-DIE SORTER

Tests and classifies microcircuit devices at 2000 units/hr.

With the Model 920, wafer die-sorting is fully automated. The unattended operation eliminates costly and tedious methods previously used. Once probe points are positioned to the pattern configuration, the operator is free and the 920 takes over. The probe steps across, down, reverses its path and then indexes until the wafer is completed. The tester then returns to a start position and is ready for reloading. Just one technician without extensive training or skills can operate up to 4 units. Electroglas, Inc., 150 Constitution Dr., Menlo Park, Calif. Phone 415-325-1536. Circle 155 on Inquiry Card



A-TO-D CONVERTER

Features 10-bit conversion (Unipolar) and 50,000 conversions/sec.



Model AS-2 is a solid-state, high-speed analog-to-digital converter using integrated circuits. It has a basic accuracy of 0.05% (±1/2 LSB) and completes decisions at a rate of 2µsec./bit. Output is approx. 45,000 samples/sec for a 10-bit word including sign (without input amplifier). The AS-2 is also available as a 3 decimal digit machine. Price is less than \$2000 in quantities of 1-9. Epsco, Inc., 411 Providence Hwy., Westwood, Mass. 02090. Phone 617 329-1500.

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LAMP ADAPTOR

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The Adaptor-Lens uses a bayonet sleeve with inserts to retain the T-134 lamp and plastic lens. The lamp is inserted at the rear of the assembly and is retained under spring tension. The unit is then received by the standard T-3¼ socket. Electrical connections are made to the center post of the lamp and to the shell of the adaptorlens. As the adaptors are not wired directly into the circuit, they can be readily removed and replaced, facilitating the change of lens colors. Display Devices, Inc., 2117 Sepulveda Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90025.

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INDUSTRIES NEW PRODUCTS

DELAY SET

Accuracy is $\pm 5\mu$ sec. Total delay is measured unambiguously for 4msec.



The Model 460 transmitter and receiver units can be stacked together for local input-output, or separated for remote inputs and outputs. Each contains its own power supply for plug-in operation on 115vac. Its carrier frequencies are variable from 500crs to 50kc. It is capable of both absolute and relative measurements. Readings are in msec., and the set is adaptable to closed or open loop measurements. Acton Laboratories, Inc., 531 Main St., Acton, Mass.

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NPN TRANSISTOR

Provides 5w, at 500 MC with a max junction dissipation of 11w.



This epitaxial device has low induction ribbon leads, low parasitic capacitance, low junction-to-case thermal resistance and a beryllium oxide base readily solderable to a dissipator. In a humped-element test circuit the transistor delivered 6db gain at 500 MC, yielding a 5w. output at 53% efficiency. This unit has operated in coax circuits with outputs greater than 100mw at 26c. It comes in flat pack. Price is \$60 ea. in quantities of 100. Vector Solid State Laboratories, Vector Div. of United Aircraft Corp., Southampton, Pa. Phone 215 EL 7-7600. Circle 133 on Inquiry Cord

DISPLAY LIGHT

Ideal for indicating toggle switch positions and for verifying relay settings.



The SDL Series indicator lights are 0.240 in, in dia, and mount on 1/4 in, centers horizontally and vertically. They are designed for use where panel space is limited, or where small indications such as decimal points are wanted. A choice of connector hook-up (SDL-A Series) or wire lead (SDL-B Series) is available. The SDL Series uses 100K hr. T-1 incandescent lamp and 13 lens colors. TEC-LITE, Transistor Electronics Corp., Box 6191, Minneapolis, Minn. 55424.

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TETRODE FET

Said to offer 2-to-1 improvement in freq. transconductance.



The TIXS35 is an N-channel doublegate TO-12 device. Transconductance of the front gate with the substrate gate connected to source is typically 8000 micromhos. With the front and substrate gates connected together, Yrs is 10K micromhos min. The unit allows the use of FETs in autodyne mixer circuits where it can function as both mixer and local oscillator, thus eliminating 1 transistor and associated oscillator circuitry. Texas Instruments Incorporated, P. O. Box 5012, Dallas, Tex. 75222. Phone Jack Miller 214 AD 5-3111, Ext. 1206. Circle 135 on Inquiry Cord



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WHAT'S NEW

NEW MOUNTING FOR MICROCIRCUITS

A NEW MOUNTING CONCEPT, which allows easy handling of microcircuits and provides solderless pressurecontact mounting of circuit chips, has been developed by Scanbe Mfg. Co., 1161 Monterey Pass Road, Monterey Park, Calif.

The package consists of three pieces: a base in which the chip is set with no fastening necessary; a positive lock snap-on top which holds the chip securely in place; and a mounting stud which becomes part of the base. The mounting stud extends through the mother board and a nut is applied on the opposite side. Since the mounting stud and nut are metal, they also act as a heat sink.

The chip leads are brought out of the package in individual channels. This assures constant lead separation and spacing, yet allows the leads maximum contact area with the mating leads on the mounting board. Tightening the nut pulls the assembly down tight against the board, creating a pressure contact. The package also has a boss molded into it for orientation in an indexing hole on the board.

The new packaging concept proves to be economical. With it the chip and its mounting can be installed, removed, tested, or replaced without damage to the mother board and its circuits, or to the chip itself. The package also serves as a test fixture, and can be used for shipping container. **Circle 196 on Inquiry Cord**

Package allows pressure-contact mounting of circuit chips. It needs no heat sink, and can be used as a shipping container.



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One way to check for power loss

Visual inspection may sometimes reveal the source of a power loss. Most transmitters, however, require more sophisticated test equipment. Fortunately, the cost of wide-range power meters like Sierra's new Series 401A r-f termination wattmeters need not sound a sour note in your budget.

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A-C POTENTIOMETER



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The Micro-Ribbon 57 series allows mounting many identical units on a single frame without danger of mismating with new keyed shell miniature connectors. Four different keying positions are possible on each connector in the line. Combinations of these basic keying positions further increase the number of like connectors that can be used on the same panel. Three types are available: cable to chassis units; cable to cable units; and right-angle shell units. Contacts are rated at 5a., 700vdc. Amphenol Connector Div., 1830 S. 54th Ave., Chicago, 111. 60650.

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PLUG-IN CONNECTOR

Allows interconnection of plugin IC flat packs for testing.



Model MPC4 Pin Pack Connector allows interconnection of in-line or plug-in flatpack types of integrated circuits for testing, prototype design, and production packaging. The device accepts 16-lead flatpacks. Spring-loaded connector has 16 positions consisting of 2 rows of 8 lead sockets spaced 0.200 in, apart on 0.100 in, centers. Socket locations are numbered both on the top and on the bottom of the connector and 1 corner is chamfered for easy indexing of devices. Texas Instruments Incorporated, Metals & Controls Inc. Div., Attleboro, Mass. Phone Bob Rowe, Ext. 7203.

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MULTI-TURN POT

Resistance ranges from 25Ω to $100K\Omega$ with a tolerance of 1% standard.



With this multi-turn potentiometer, the wiper rotates around the periphery of the resistance wire helix, and follows each turn as does a nut on a screw. Since the contact essentially travels with the axis of the resistance wire, instead of across the turns as with conventional potentiometers, high resolution is achieved with a low noise level. Linearity is 0.01% and temp. coefficient is 10 PPM/°C to 125°C. A $\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ of shaft rotation provides a typical resolution of 0.17 Ω in the 25K Ω unit. Elliott Industries, 23987 Craftsman Rd., Calabasas, Calif.

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MICROWAVE POWER METER

Uses 60 cycle line voltage for calibration; no bridges or amplifiers needed.



Model 540 power meter is used in conjunction with a thermal-converter mount to indicate microwave power. The meter provides a full scale indication for 10mw of r-f. The microwave thermal converter mount has a vSWR of less than 1.5:1 from 8.2-12.46C, and the mount efficiency is better than 98%. The thermal converter mount is capable of meeting Mil shock and vibration and shows less than $\pm 5\%$ variation in output from 0° to 70°C. The response time is approx. 3 sec. MSI Electronics Inc., 116-06 M yrtle Ave., Richmond Hill, N. Y. 11418. Phone A. Lederman, 212 HI 1-6420.

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PHOTOCHOPPERS

Operate at chopping freq, to 1KC and modulates de signals in sub-µv level.



The hpa-4503 and 4504 are DPDT externally-driven photochoppers. The 4503 features a high impedance modulator for use with high input impedance amplifiers; the 4504 features a low impedance modulator for use with low amplifiers. The demodulator of both types is used with a low output impedance amplifier and provides an output impedance of $50K\Omega$. Prices are \$37.50 in quantities of 1-99 and \$26.50 in quantities 100-999. HP Associates, 620 Page Mill Rd., Palo Alto, Calif. 94304. Phone Dan Scheel 415 321-8510.

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LIGHT SOURCE

Provides the high speeds needed to expose photo resist materials.



Series B3642 emits approx. 85% of its energy in the 365MU and 420MU region. These peaks match the sensitivity response of most photo resist emulsions, resulting in exposures that are said to be 3 to 10 times faster than those produced by conventional brute-force sources. The source offers cool and uniform light coverage, cleanliness, automatically timed exposures, and almost inexhaustible lamp life. All units are thermostatically controlled, insuring peak intensity at each start. Designed for intermittent operation only. Aristo Grid Product, 65-B Harbor Rd., Port Washington, L. I.

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This is the granddaddy of all P&B relays. Our very first design. Many millions are in use throughout the world... starting motors, controlling elevators, switching high current and voltage loads, doing a multitude of heavy duty jobs, reliably. Year after year, the PR Series remains high on our best-seller list. Here are some reasons why.

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PR relays are designed with a full floating carrier for the movable contacts. Beside providing sufficient con-

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loads or 1 HP at 115/230 VAC, single phase. A phenolic barrier between the contacts of multipole relays prevent flash-over between contacts.

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PR reliability is available in relays having the following contact arrangements: SPST-NO, SPST-NC,

SPST-NO-DB, SPST-NC-DB, SPDT, DPST-NO, DPST-NC, and DPDT. Coil voltages range from 6 to 440 volts A.C., and 6 to 110 volts D.C.A vast number of special variations



of these standard parameters have been engineered over the years.

AUXILIARY CONTACTS ADD TO VERSATILITY OF PR RELAYS

A single set of auxiliary contacts (Form A, B or C) can be supplied when the application demands. They

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MANY STANDARD RELAYS ARE LISTED BY U/L AND CSA

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

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- Mechanical Life: Single-pole, 1,000,000 (cycles); double-pole 10,000,000 (cycles).
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- Ambient Temperature Range: DC: -55 to +80° C. AC: -55 to +45° C.
- Weight: Approximately 10 ozs.
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COMPUTER TAPE

For phase modulation recording. Packing density of 1600 cpi.

Ampex 836 computer tape is fully compatible with the IBM 2400 tape transport. It is suitable for present standard NRZI digital recording, 7-track or 9-track, at packing densities up to 800 cpi. The 836 tape carries a 3-yr, computer tape warranty. Ampex Corp., 401 Broadway, Redwood City, Calif. Phone Gregg Perry 415 367-4151.

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TRANSISTOR SOCKET

Solders to PC board and accepts TO-60 outline package.

The EX-736 mounts 3/32 in, above the board. Dia, is 0.370 in. max. Insulator is G-10 glass epoxy laminate with individual contacts securely staked into it; pull-out force is 25 lbs, min. Operating temp. range of insulator is 150°C continuous. This socket is particularly suitable for airborne or severe service applications. Robinson Nugent Inc., 802 E. 8th St., New Albany, Ind. 47150.

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ROTARY SWITCH

PC board switch eliminates soldering, all wiring and mounting hardware.



This switch has a printed stator pattern incorporated directly to the PC board. To assemble, just drill or punch a hole in the center of the stator pattern and snap the switch in place. Switch can be assembled, ready for use in less than a min. The contacts lift off the stator as they are turned to a new position, reducing wear due to normal wiping action. Lateur Engineering Co., 5537 Satsuma Ave., N. Hollywood, Calif.

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NEW PRODUCTS

ONE-PIECE CONNECTOR

For solderless terminating and grounding braids on shielded or coaxial cable.



This connector has a floating inner sleeve which facilitates insertion of the braid and grounding lead for faster installation. Two large inspection windows are provided in the end of the connector. These windows allow #20 stranded ground wire to be inserted from the front. Available in 9 sizes, the connectors accommodate a dielectric or insulation range from 0.053 to 0.202 in. The Thomas & Betts Co., 36 Butler St., Elizabeth 1, N. I.

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CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

Stability better than 5 parts in 10¹⁰/day and 1 part 10^{*}/month.

The FFO - 160 provides a 1 MC output. Proportionally controlled oven permits stable operation from -40° C to $+60^{\circ}$ C. A low jitter crystal oscillator circuit, with an MGC system to maintain constant crystal current, gives a short-term stability better than 1 part in 10^{10} /sec. Price is approx. \$750. Manson Laboratories 77 Danbury Rd., Wilton, Conn.

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Available in single or 3-phase configurations with outputs up to 140a.

This hybrid SCR bridge assembly is designed for max, cooling and optimum performance under conditions such as heat and dust. It features simplified terminal attachment, accessible gate terminal blocks, and insulated rail mounting for the utmost flexibility. International Rectifier, 233 Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif. 90246. Phone Kenneth O. All, 213 678-6281. A-TO-D CONVERTER

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Model 633 analog-to-digital converter converts input voltage levels to digital form for subsequent recording or processing. Using integrated circuit techniques, it provides resolutions up to 15 bits of binary data or 17 bits of BCD data at a conversion rate of 1.5µsec./bit. Any of 8 different output signal levels are available at the user's option. Redcor Corp., 7800 Deering Avc., P. O. Box 1031, Canoga Park, Calif. 91304. Circle 169 on Inquiry Card

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GATE DRIVERS

Prevents failures caused by the di/dt effect, and provides increased gate power.



Series VS6532 and VS6732 are Silicontrol® packaged SCR gate drives. They are fast-pulse rise-time stacked open-card assemblies and provide increased gate power for pulsing SCRs having high-current ratings. Ideally suited for completely balanced, reliable SCR firing in 3-phase ac or de power control, they require no bias for pulse reset. They are fail-safe-load and control circuits are fully isolated. Each gate-signal output is a pulse of substantially constant amplitude which is 180° wide at full SCR conduction. Sprague Electric Co., North Adams, Mass. Phone Sidney Chertok, 413-664-4411.

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Uses new dielectric material. Packs a max. of $1\mu f$ in a 0.25×0.14 in. package.



The Glass-K capacitors use a dielectric of glass composition containing interspersed microcrystals. Working voltage is 50vdc for an operating temp, range of -55°C to +125°C. In addition to the 0.25 x 0.14 in. package, a 0.25 x 0.1 in. unit is available which is rated at 0.051μ fd. The smaller case size has a capacitance range of 0.001 to 0.051µfd. The other case size has a capacitance range of 0.012 to 0.100µfd. Corning Electronics, Corning Glass Works, Raleigh, N. C.

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PULSE GENERATOR

Offers a min. rise time of 4.5nsec. and external triggering from 1v.



The repetition rate of Model 110A is variable from 4cps to 40 Mc. Linear transition times are separately variable. Simultaneous positive or negative outputs are available to 10v, into 50Ω with up to 70db attenuation in either single or double pulse modes. Pulse width is variable from 10nsec, to 5msec.; pulse delay is variable from 10nsec, advance to 50msec, delay, Duty cycle is 50% at 40Mc. Variable dc baseline control allows selection of complement output pulses at any level between ±10v. Datapulse Inc., 509 Hindry Ave., Inglewood, Calif. 90305, Phone M. B. Cox, 213 671-4334.

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NEON TRIGGER TUBE

For switching circuits. Standoff voltage rating is 190 to 210vdc.



The TRQ250 trigger tube can be used in switching circuits such as timers, ring counters, shift registers, memory cells, X-Y matrices, computer readouts, machine control, etc. Its high light output allows it to be used with photo resistors. The tube is ionized by 106 (± 4) vdc. Its maintaining voltage is 100 (± 2) vdc. Operating current range is 1 to 6ma. Maintaining voltage is 2ma. Turn-on current is 1µa. max. Life expectancy is greater than 25,000 hrs. Signalite Inc., 1933 Heck Ave., Neptune, N, J. Phone Robert Mayer, 201 HU 7-7477.

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LOG SPIRAL ANTENNAS

Three individual models span the freq. range from 130 to 8500 MC.



The Series 324 conical Log-Spiral antennas may be used as low-power primary feeds for paraboloidal reflectors in applications requiring min. boresight shift and good circular - polarization performance. To meet these requirements, the balanced excitations are derived from a series of inherently balanced balum configurations which provide a bandwidth ratio of 4:1. Jasik Laboratories, Inc., 100 Shames Dr., Westbury, L. I., N. Y. Phone Dr. A. D. Bresler, 516 ED 3-4010.

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Operates at speeds as high as Imsee, and on power as low as 1.2msec.



The Series BW5 mercury-wetted relays can be used on printed-circuit boards. The relay meets the high-speed switching needs of computer, control and data processing systems, and operates from -37° C to $+107^{\circ}$ C. They have life expectancy of over 1 billion cycles, and will withstand non-operating shock up to 30G's and vibration of 100G's. Other specs, include : max, power dissipation (35°C) from 1.5w., and a contact resistance (max.) of 40 milliohms. Babcock Relays, Div. of Babcock Electronics Corp., 3501 Harbor Blvd., Costa Mesa, Calif.

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POWER FILM RESISTORS

Resistance range is 50Ω to 5 megohms. Tolerances are 1/10, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, and $\frac{2}{6}$.



The D resistor comes in 3 models rated from 4 to 12w. The D5 is rated at 4w.; the D10 at 8w. and the D15 rated at 12w. Resistance range is from 50 Ω to 5 megohms. Two standard temp. coefficients, ± 25 ppm/°C and ± 50 ppm/°C, are available in an operating range from -55° C to $+175^{\circ}$ C. Functionally, the D series meets the physical specs. of Mil-R-18546C for housed resistors and the electrical specs. of Mil-R-10509E for film resistors. Approx. \$1.25/unit, depending on quantity, tolerance and T.C. Dale Electronics, Inc., P. O. Box 488, Columbus, Nebr.

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NEW PRODUCTS

SUBNANOSECOND SWITCH

Uses Gallium Arsenide and exhibits switching times less than Insee.



Model SC-32 is a SPDT switch. It exhibits insertion loss of approx. 0.7db in the transmitting state, and isolation greater than 30db when biased "off." The freq. bandwidth of operation is greater than 10% at C-band. This unit is designed for small size and min. bias. These min. bias conditions enable a simple highspeed driver to be used. Hyletronics Corp., 185 Cambridge St., Burlington, Mass.

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PASSIVATED DICE

Encompass computer, zener, and general purpose silicon diode spees.



These silicon mesa passivated dice have recovery and capacitance of less than 2nsec. and 2pf. Specific, substrate, thinfilm and matrices configurations can be custom engineered. Dice surfaces can be metalized. Termination temps. greater than 350°F can be used without degrading the device characteristics or the passivated surface. The dice meet or exceed Mil-S-19500 and Mil-STD 202 specs. without further encapsulation. Units are priced at \$1.50 each at the 100 unit quantity level; less than \$.50 at over 1000 unit quantity level. MicroSemiconductor Corp., 11250 Playa Court, Culver City, Calif. Phone James Whitehead 213 391-8271.

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IC MEMORY SYSTEM

Integrated-circuit, core-memory system has full-cycle time of 2µsec.



Series MUA comes in any of 4 access modes: random, sequential, random/sequential, and sequential-interlaced. In addition, the user can select from a variety of interface circuits and optional features such as address register, power supply, and self-test. Half-cycle time is 1.25μ sec., and access time is 950nsec. Word capacities range from 64 to 4096 with 2 to 30 bits/word. Fabri-Tek, Inc., Amery, Wisc. Contact Mrs. Ruth Gordon.

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4-LAYER DIODES

Simplifies circuitry by reducing the number of components needed.



These 2-terminal, bistable switches change from the high resistance off state to a low resistance on state when the applied voltage exceeds the device's forward breakover voltage. The 4-layer diode remains in this high-conductivity state as long as the current through the device exceeds its specified holding current. The diode simplifies circuitry. Whenever the applied power and the control signal are the same or are on the same line, the diode eliminates the pulse-steering circuits which isolate or derive the control signal and deliver it to the control terminal of a 3terminal device. Motorola Semiconductor Products Inc., Box 955, Phoenix, Ariz.

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DUAL OUTPUT

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Examines fundamental freqs., harmonics, and components from 20cps to 100kc.



Model 301A is a solid-state, wide-range wave analyzer with digital readout that is direct-reading in kc. The 5-digit readout provides numerical values in 10cps increments, with 2crs interpolation marks. Freq. resolution is specified as $\pm 1\%$ +10 cps from 20 cps to $10 \,\mathrm{kc}$, and $\pm 100 \,\mathrm{cps}$ from 10kc to 100kc. Model 301A can be used as a tracking signal generator or as a selective voltmeter with restored signal output. In the signal generator mode, the output freq, is the same as that to which the voltmeter is tuned. Price is \$1,995. Sierra/Philco, 3885 Bohannon Dr., Menlo Park, Calif. 94025. Phone 415 322-7222

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HEAT SINK

Low - cost heat sinks are for TO-1 case transistors.



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Tests characteristics of p- and n-channel junction MOS FET.



Monitor II is a general-purpose, easily programmed test set. In addition to FETs, it tests most small-signal and medium-power bipolar transistors and semiconductor diodes by adding program modules. Some features include : 10 picoamp leakage current resolution; modular construction; test time programmable from 100msec. to 1 sec./parameter. Any transistor or diode within parametric limits of the equipment may be tested by changing test modules. Price varies from \$7,900 to \$15,000; 90 day delivery ARO. Silconix Inc., 1140 W. Evelyn Ave., Sunnyvale, Calif. 94086. Phone Harriet St. John 408-245-1000.

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Output can be accurately controlled by standard digital control systems.



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The MC-30 features toll quality performance, modular construction, battery operation, and is ideally suited for transmission of voice, vHF base station control, telemetering, data and facsimile. A channel module contains transmitter, receiver, termination and dc regulator. Each channel is totally independent, and only a 120vac power module, if used, is common to a 4-channel group. Power options permit operation from 24vdc, 48vdc, or 120vac. Motorola Inc., Military Electronics Div., Chicago Ctr., 1450 N. Cicero Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60651.

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Enables precision welds for a wide range of uses including flatpacks.



The Unibond allows welding of flatpacks to PC boards, fine wire to thin-film conductors, potentiometer interconnects, and heat-stripping/reflow soldering of insulated wire. Dual-sensing circuits in the power supply allows simultaneous control of voltage amplitude and pulse duration during the weld cycle. The system provides instant selection of fixed or modulated pulse duration. Pulse duration ranges are 0-10, 2-20, and 4-40msec. Compliant tip electrodes conform to uneven weld surfaces. Operating speeds are 60 welds/min. Weldmatic Div./Unitek, 950 Royal Oaks Dr., Monrovia, Calif. Phone Fred E. Benoit 213 EL 9-8361.

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STANDARDS FOR MICROCIRCUIT PACKAGES AND SUBSTRATES

The Philadelphia Electronic Connector Study Group is urging industry standards for the substrates and packages used with thin-film and monolithic ICs.

To determine the optimum size for substrates and packages, the Connector Group held a meeting in Philadelphia on Jan. 12. Manufacturers represented were American Lava, Bendix Scintilla Div., Coors, and Glass-Tite. Users were Burroughs, General Electric, Philco, RCA, the Army Signal Corps, and Vector.

The users complained that while substrates can be ordered in any size, the packages available are inadequate, for various reasons.

In spite of this, designers use the packages available because it is cheaper to buy off-the-shelf than pay for the tooling needed for a custom package. The manufacturers, on the other hand, claim the packages available were developed by customer needs.

To solve this substrate-package problem, the participants agreed that standards were needed in the following areas: Form Factor, Substrate Size, Lead Size, Lead Spacing, Number of Leads, and Package Size. After lengthy discussion the group developed the following tentative standards: Form Factor-rectangular with leads on long edge; Usable Substrate Size---0.65, 0.35, and 0.15 sq. in.; Lead Size and Type-25 mil grid system or increments thereof. The two most common will be 0.50 or 0.10 mil. Leads will be axial types (as opposed to ribbon) and the diameter will be 0.0017 in.; Number of Leads-optional.

These tentative standards will become firm unless the manufacturers are told differently. The Group wants to know if these specifications meet your needs; if they don't, let them know. The Group would also like your views on the type of connection preferred (should it be between substrate and package) and the number of usable leads needed. Send your recommendations to Glenn R. Heidler, General Electric, P. O. Box 8661, CCF-1, Room 1727, Phila., Pa.

HULL ASSUMES EIA POST

David R. Hull, former Raytheon Co. executive and two-term past president of the Electronic Industries Association, has joined EIA as director of the association's Engineering Dept. FILING BY TELEVISION



Southern Pacific Co. will convert paper files for freight waybills to video tape using new Ampex Videofile document filing and retrieval system, which will store more than 20 million documents, permit faster filing and retrieval and take up only one/eighth space.

NEW SILICON PHOTOSENSORS FEATURE PLANAR PASSIVITY

Two miniature silicon photosensors have been developed by Fairchild Semiconductor for use in tape and card readers, optically-coupled circuits, encoder-decoders, character recognition devices and process control applications. Both units feature planar passivation.

The FMP-100 phototransistor responds from 0.4 to 1.1μ and has a maximum dark value of 0.1μ a to typical values in the range 1.5 to 2.5ma upon illumination. Typical rise time is 3μ sec.

By using a flat window, Fairchild engineers have managed a divergence angle of 70°. Avoiding optical magnification eliminates the possibility of a hot spot developing to introduce random errors. An array of units may be placed in physical contact with a moving tape without abrading the tape. Cross-talk is eliminated by this feature.

IR INSPECTION SYSTEM IS NON-DESTRUCTIVE

Following almost three years of R&D, the Research Div. of Automation Industries, Boulder, Colo., has announced the completion of an Infrared Non-destructive Testing System.

The infrared System "has proved to yield inspection of superior quality" in several types of materials and structures, according to automation engineers. One of the more important materials inspected was honeycomb sandwich structures, used extensively in aircraft, missiles and space vehicles,

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Ilford—Plessey Company Ltd. and The Bissett-Berman Corp., Santa Monica, Calif., announces a distribution and manufacturing cross licensing agreement in oceanographic and meteorological instruments and sensors.

Reading — New 3-stage ultrasonic cleaning system, developed by the Sonics Division of Elliott-Automation, cleans, rinses and dries mechanical and electromechanical components and assemblies.

Jutphaas, The Netherlands—FOM Institute will soon have a brand new 20kw microwave power source supplied by Sperry Rand Corp. for plasma research. Heart of the package is Sperry's cw klystron type SAX 418.

Ulm, West Germany — Telefunken has entered a license agreement to manufacture and sell in Europe, air traffic control radar systems designed by Whittaker Corp. of Los Angeles.

Copenhagen—Eastern Air Devices, Inc., Dover, N. H., has acquired Peerless Fabrikkerne A/S, one of Europe's oldest and largest manufacturers of speakers, speaker cones, and magnets.

Gothenberg, Sweden — A 4000-line intercom system, believed largest in the world, is being installed in the Volvo auto plant, here by Standard Radio & Telefon, AB (ITT).

Malmo, Sweden-Radio AB Peerless, a distributor of electronic components, has joined expanding Eastern Air Devices, Inc., Dover, N. H., maker of electromechanical devices.

Rio de Janeiro—Air navigation aids, about \$2.4 million worth will be installed by U. S. Federal Aviation Agency at five Brazilian airports. Equipment: surveillance radars, instrument lading systems, and light systems.

Monterrey, Mexico — A substantial interest in Acumuladores Mexicanos S. A. of Monterrey, Mexican battery manufacturing firm, has been purchased by Gould-National Batteries, Inc., St. Paul, Minn.

Tokyo — Nippon Electric Company Ltd. (NEC) has completed the first PCM (pulse code modulation) communications system for commercial use in Japan. employing advanced interconnection expertise ... Used at least of the average of

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Wattage C 4 (RLO7S) Resistors, 51 ohms to 150K	1/4	1/1	1/10	1/4	1/0
Wottage C 5 (RL205) Resistors, 10 ohms to 499K	1/2	1/4	%	1/2	1/4
Lood Life $\triangle R$	1.0%	0.5%	0.5%	2%	1%
Design Tolerance 🛆 R	-2 to +4%	-1 to +2.5%	1.5 to +3%		
Temperature Coefficient from -55°C to +175°C		±100 ppm	T	±200 ppm	+200 - 500 ppr
Dielectric Withstonding Voltage $\triangle R$	±0.10%		±0.50%	±0.5%	
Moisture Resistance 🛆 R	±0.50%		±1.50%	±1.5%	
Short Time Overload $\triangle R$	±0.25%		±0.50%	±0.5%	
Temperature Cycling △ R	±0.25%		±1.00%	±0.5%	
Effect of Soldering \triangle R	±0.10%		±0.50%	±0.5%	
Low Temperature Operation \triangle R	±0.50%		±0.50%	±0.5%	
Shock \triangle R	±0.10%		±0.50%	±0.5%	
Vibrotion \triangle R	±0.10%		±0.50%	±0.5%	
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CABLE FAULT LOCATOR

Open Fault locator (Model 4910A) self-calibrates for variations in conductor capacity to give precise readings in feet to location of open in communications cable. Solid-state instrument, made by Delcon Divisions of Hewlett-Packard, uses automatic charge sampling.



Equipped for many functions, new, compact portable Multi-Mite, introduced by Thermo-Electric Co., Inc., Saddle Brook, N. J., calibrates moving-coil pyromillivolumeters and potentiometer-type pyrometers; it measures up to 5 thermocouple or millivolt inputs. Accurate to $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{7}$ of millivolt scale, the MultiMite has direct reading, dual scales calibrated in F or C degrees, in millivolts, or both.

A new device developed by Radiation Inc. enables users to combine standard test equipment to automatically record semiconductor and integrated circuit dynamic test data on punch cards. The instrument, an automatic tester interface, when combined with Tektronix 567 oscilloscope and 262 Programmer, plus IBM 526 card summary punch, permits up to eight test parameters to be recorded. Two or more programmers can be cascaded for more complex measurements.

Bench-mounted convenience centers for laboratories, quality control, and engineering or production test areas are offered by X-Cel Controls Inc., South Bend, Ind. Placing the test units conveniently throughout the plant eliminates much handling of instruments and saves time in making test setups. All models have ac outlets. Some have instrumentation, while others have a built-in variable dc supply.

A new series of 3 Dimensional Directional Probes for measuring yaw and pitch angle, and total and static pressure as well as total temperature, have been developed by United Sensor & Control Corp., East Hartford, Conn. A wide variety of standard or custom designed types are suitable for almost any industrial, aircraft, missile and special purpose applications. The probes are usable up to velocities of Mach 0.7. They are furnished with individual calibration curves up to pitch angles of 40° .

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MEASUREMENT & TEST

A problem has existed in measuring the intensity of cavitation—formation followed by a rapid collapse of small cavities into a liquid phase. Macrosonics Corp., Carteret, N. J., suggests a new Cavitation Meter (Model CVM-3a) which indicates instantly the true amount of energy released during cavitation of liquid media.

The Instrument Division of Bourns Inc. is now using a random/sine vibration system, that produces continuous random vibrations over 10 to 4,000 CPS. Transducers can be accurately tested under exact environments met in missile launches, sonic barrier breakthroughs, and spacecraft stage separations.

"An extremely sensitive and highly accurate" frequency meter has been announced by Data Instruments Division, Pennsanken, N. J. The unit—331C—operates as a frequency meter and as a signal generator up 3,000 MC with accuracy of ± 5 parts in 10¹⁰ and drift of 1 part in 10⁶ per day.

Measurements of either long or short delays with accuracy on order of 0.1 nsec are now possible with Accu-Time, new solid-state test instrument developed by WMA Anderson Co., Inc., Pleasant Valley, Conn. This accuracy is assured by a 1-MC oven-controlled crystal oscillator and a passive phase shifting device. A digital readout is provided for incremental delays of less than one μ sec.

For testing highly precise components under simulated g-forces, Model 444 Precision Dual Range Centrifuge recently introduced, has many suitable design features, reports developer The Gyrex Corp., Santa Monica, Calif. The 444 is dual-range with Range I infinitely variable from 5 to 100 g's, and Range II infinitely variable from 10 to 600 g's. Accuracy: Range I, 0.005%; Range II, 0.25%.

FLOW METER CALIBRATOR

Portable console calibrates flow meters using nitrogen or deionized water as medium. In closed circuit, the medium is monitored for cleanliness by particle counter. Continuous counts are provided ranging from 10 to 175μ and more. The console, developed by Royco Instruments Inc. for the Apollo program, has adjustable pressures up to 150 psi for nitrogen, 80 psi for deionized water.





GROUNDING TECHNIQUES

NEW ONE PIECE SHIELDED CABLE CONNECTOR HAS "WOBBLE ACTION" FOR QUICK INSTALLATION



T&B's new Shield-Kon[®] connectors for Shielded and coaxial cables provide better quality connections and reduced costs. The "wobble-action" of the hard inner sleeve allows it to move when the shielded cable is inserted. The soft outer sleeve provides an excellent compression material. One squeeze of the T&B Shure-StakeTM hand tool and a noise-free, high quality connection which meets the performance specifications of MIL-F-21608B is completed. The connectors can also be installed by

any Class I, MS-25312 tool. All Connectors accommodate one or two #22 or #20 stranded ground wires from back or through front inspection hole. Nine sizes cover the conductor insulation range from .030 to .202.



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NEW CONNECTOR GROUNDS ALL CONDUCTORS OF SHIELDED CABLE SIMULTANEOUSLY



T&B's new Shield-Kon[®] connectors offer users an easy, quick and reliable system for grounding multiple-conductor shielded cable. One compression grounds all wires eliminates individual connections and daisy chained jumpers. Reduces installed costs less installation and inspection time. The system utilizes a hard brass inner ring and a soft copper outer ring. Ground wire or wires and shielded braids are positioned between the two rings. One stroke of the tool and a 360° compression uniformly

grounds all wires in a noise-free connection. These Shield-Kon connectors are also available with a rugged nylon

insulator ring which protects conductor insulation from abrasion.

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SOLDERLESS COAXIAL GROUNDING CONNECTORS & R. F. ADAPTERS



A permanent hex-compression method for reliable grounding termination and insulation of shielded and coaxial cable at lower installed costs. Provides a noise-free, solderless, secure connection without damage to insulation or measurable change in impedance. Mechanically, the bond is stronger than the braid.

T & B has designed a line of R. F. Adapters which are pre-matched to fit widely used coaxial cables to specified R. F. Connectors. They provide a complete, secure, threaded joint in addition to the advantages of the hex-compression. These adapters lower inventory and tool requirements which make them particularly attractive to users of coaxial cable.

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By DONALD C. CALNON, Project Engineer, Instrument Engineering, Tektronix, Inc., Beaverton, Ore.

Advances in

Storage Oscilloscopes

More versatile oscilloscopes are possible because of improved storage cathode-ray tubes. State-of-the-art storage tubes are discussed, terminology defined, and trade-offs considered.

A STORAGE OSCILLOSCOPE has an ability to store a CRT display in order that it may be observed for any required time. This stored display may be instantly erased to make way for storage of a later event. By the flick of a switch, the instrument is converted to a normal display oscilloscope.

Historically, a limiting factor in adapting storage CRT's to oscilloscopes was the slowness of the storing mechanism in relation to the sweep velocities of general purpose scopes. New, faster responding storage CRT's are now available and, coupled with circuit methods which increase their speed of response, these obstacles have been overcome.

Mechanics of the Bistable Storage CRT

The Anderson bistable storage tube has two electron sources: a normal "writing gun" which provides the oscilloscope beam for writing, and a pair of "flood guns"* which provide the broad flood of electrons that

*Similar to view guns.

bombard the whole target uniformly. This flood of electrons directed to the target holds it in one of two stable modes or levels. They are the "written level" and the "ready to write" level.

Target behavior is explained in the storage CRT by referring to secondary emission phenomena as it occurs in certain materials. The curve of Fig. 1 shows how electrons emitted by secondary emission usually respond to the bombardment by primary electrons.

When the flood of view electrons arrives at a voltage below the first crossover, the target charges toward the first stable point where it then rests in the readyto-write, or rest level condition. Target appearance is dark, and the light level associated with this condition is termed the background light level or simply, background. The target is made ready to write by the erase pulse, which is applied to the target terminals to move the storage element into the ready-to-write level.

When the writing gun is turned on, electrons arrive with very high energy and move the bombarded target



Fig. 1: Curve of secondary emission ratio.

STORAGE OSCILLOSCOPES (Continued)

element quickly beyond the first crossover point where it becomes written. Secondary emission maintains this level, while flood gun electron current to this segment results in still higher brightness. The light level of the written area is thus the written brightness for the storage CRT.

Quality of the stored display is often measured by the ratio of written brightness to the background light level. This is the *contrast ratio*.

The target terminal (or terminals) in the splitscreen-type tube is connected to a control circuit which maintains a constant terminal voltage relative to that of the flood gun cathode. This voltage is termed the *target operating level*. When this level is advanced positively so that flood electrons arrive at energy levels above the first crossover, the target tends to shift to the higher stable point. This action or condition is termed *fade positive*.

Moving the target voltage level lower, while observing a written trace, permits voltage measurement where the written area begins to fade or drop back to background light level. This voltage is called the *retention threshold*.

The voltage range between fade positive and retention threshold is called the stable range. Often bistable storage tubes are operated at the mid-point of the stable range, the operating level in this case.

The Anderson storage CRT can be erased by applying a voltage to the target terminal having first a positive portion followed by a negative step and ramp return as shown in Fig. 2.

The first portion of the waveform causes the target to have a uniformly written appearance, and the second portion moves the target from the written state back to the the ready-to-write state where it is held by the action of the flood electrons. Time needed for pulse completion and for the target to get ready to write is about 1/4 sec.

Writing Speeds of Storage Targets

Because of its bistable nature, the storage target displays a uniformly bright trace as the writing beam travels across it. At some faster sweep rates, the writing beam runs "out of gas," and the target fails to write. This lineal speed or rate of writing (including vertical components), where the target will just store a display, is the *maximum writing speed* of the system. Measurement of maximum writing speed is done by first finding the maximum intensity setting where the beam is well focused. Then successive sweeps are used and erased, while changing sweep rates, until the maximum storing speed is found.

Another often-used method of measurement is to apply a sine wave to the vertical system with about 3 to 5 Hz per horizontal screen division. If the vertical amplitude of the waveform takes more than 3 divisions, the horizontal component of velocity can be ignored and the following relationship used to calculate writing speed:

Stored writing speed = $\pi h f \text{ div/sec}$ h = amplitude of the display

Maximum stored writing speed is then the maximum speed at which the sine waves will appear fully written in a single traverse of the sweep.

A shortcut method often used on storage scopes is to adjust the vertical display amplitude to 3.2 cm so that *writing speed* is read directly. Thus:

writing	speed	 (π) (h) f
,,	,,,	 (3.14) $(3.2 cm)$ f
••	,,	 $10 \text{ x } f \text{ cm/}\mu\text{sec}$
where f		 frequency in MHz

Caution is required so that the written sine waves are well separated on the target. Specifications on writing speeds of storage targets include a permissible gap dimension of 0.025," the writing beam current, and, in some cases, a defined quality area of the target.

Enhancement for Faster Writing

A method for faster writing in storage scopes uses a pulse technique to briefly shift target operation to

	Table 1	
	f Anderson storag n oscilloscopes	ge tubes
	Standard Target	Mosaic Target
Stored Writing Speed	25 cm/msec	500 cm/msec
Writing Speed Enhanced	250 cm/msec	5x10 ³ cm/msec
Contrast Ratio (typical)	2 to 1	5 to 1
Written Brightness (typical)	6 ft L	3 ft L

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Fig. 3: Simplified flood-gun/collimation system.



Fig. 2: Typical erase waveform.

favor faster writing with a return to normal before deterioration of the display can occur. This method is called *writing speed enhancement*, or simply, *enhancement*.

The circuitry provided for this purpose is a simple multivibrator which generates a rectangular waveform of variable width or height. This waveform is applied to the

flood gun cathode or to the *target* itself. The circuit is initiated by the sweep system and applies one pulse for each sweep. The scope is provided with a front panel control to adjust either amplitude or width to a level at which optimum writing is obtained with the least deterioration of the background. Increase in the response speed of the different types of storage targets varies from 5 to 20 times. Typical pulse durations use 1 are from 1 to 5 msec., with amplitudes of 40 to 60 v.

The Mosaic Target Storage Tube

The Mosaic target storage tube is the newest of the Anderson storage CRT's for oscilloscope use. This tube is different in physical appearance but employs a similar storage principle based upon target secondary emission behavior.

The Mosaic target tube, represented in Fig. 3, is readily identified by its gold surface, which is the metallic terminal for making electrical connection to the two halves of the target and to the locate zone. The gold extends into the target in a honeycomb pattern and permits the control voltage changes to be relayed to the target for establishing the stable conditions needed to store a display. The erase and enhance pulses are applied to this terminal.

Mosaic targets offer stored writing speeds from 2 to 100 times that available in previous scopes. Performance with enhancement is the area of high-speed stored writing where the Mosaic target has offered the most significant advances. See Table 1.

Collimation System of the Mosaic Storage CRT

The Mosaic target CRT uses a simplified flood gun assembly with two highly efficient electron guns mounted in front of the writing gun deflection system (see Fig. 3). These guns supply the high density flood of electrons needed at the storage target to hold those written areas and ready-to-write areas stable. These efficient electron sources contribute to the more positive nature in which the Mosaic target functions, permit higher brightness and more uniform target response.

A regulated-voltage power supply must be used to control the *flood* gun cathode potential so that storage target backplate-to-cathode voltage is at the proper operating level. Power supply stability is critical because of the dependence of target characteristics on the operating level voltage, particularly important in *split*screen storage systems.

Collimation of the electron flooding is done with one electrode terminal, to which a variable voltage adjustment is connected. Thus, the storage system operates with nearly uniform potentials throughout.

To minimize damage to the storage target, an ion repeller should be mounted near the targets, to be operated at a potential slightly above that of the target backplate. A locate zone to the left of the storage target does not store. This allows the operator to select a proper vertical position setting without writing on the target. This operator aid has been found very helpful when storing a group of traces on the display area.

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Is EIA/JEDEC Device Registration Useful?

As in most other systems for coding, cataloging or registering, the EIA/JEDEC system for registering tubes, semiconductors, and microcircuits has both advantages and disadvantages. Despite obvious drawbacks, the system offers significant advantages.

By Sidney Feldman, Associate Editor ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES Interview with G. F. Hohn, former manager of EIA's engineering office.

THE ELA/JEDEC SYSTEM of registering electron tubes, semiconductor devices and microelectronic circuits has been and is being criticized. Despite some shortcomings, however, the system still provides industry with an effective tool for marketing and standardization.

The subject is especially pertinent because of the recent assignment of the 6N100 series of numbers to microlectronic circuits and devices. By way of a full discussion of the usefulness of the system, Mr. Hohn offers answers to 16 questions on the EIA/JEDEC system and the series 6N100.

Q.—What does the number 6N100 mean?

A.--This kind of number has been assigned by the Electronic Industries Association (EIA) to microelectronic devices. For many years type-designations, assigned to electron tubes and semiconductors, were known as EIA and JEDEC-type numbers. However, microelectronic devices will be identified by EIA typenumbers.

Q.—Is there any significance to the letters and figures in this type-numbering system?

A.—No. The number is similar in nature to the 1N, 2N, 3N and 4N numbers assigned to solid state devices. 6N means simply that it is a microelectronic circuit device and the three, and later four digits following the 6N are assigned sequentially as applications are received.

Recently there was some publicity about consideration of a 5N-numbered series. Since this possibility was reported, EIA has decided to omit the 5N-number series. This was done to avoid potential conflict with a similarly-numbered series used by a well-known semiconductor device manufacturer.

Q.—How is such registration handled?

ADVANTAGES TO ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES OF EIA-REGISTRATION SYSTEM

- A single number replaces multiple house numbers, of various manufacturers, used where two or more manufacturers make a particular device. This advantage particularly benefits the larger customer, such as the government. because it means in most cases the procurement and supply of a single item instead of multiple items. This single number also encourages standardization. A nationally recognized designation encourages other manufacturers to make similar devices, thus increasing and promoting competition.
- EIA/JEDEC-registered types can be compared more easily because their defining characteristics must be registered with standard formats, under standard test conditions.
- 3) Publication of registration information, through trade channels, helps cus-



"The EIA/JEDEC system, used for more than 30 years, has proved quite effective as a standardizing tool for tubes and semiconductors."

A.—In the registration process a manufacturer requests from EIA a type-designation number. He supplies data to insure that the type is so well-defined that another manufacturer using these data will make an interchangeable product. Interchangeability is required to protect the user who will purchase the device by type-number from all manufacturers marketing a device with that particular type-number.

This system also functions as a standardizing tool offering advantages for the electronic industries. (Advantages are listed in the box below.)

After a type-number is assigned, the whole industry is informed and is given registration data. EIA and manufacturers also issue publications summarizing the characteristics of registered designations.

Q.—Why do manufacturers use their own house numbers when the EIA/JEDEC registration sys-

tem is available?

A.—As you can see from the list of advantages, the registration system is especially useful where two or more manufacturers make a given type. Yet in many cases users buy custom-made or specially-marked products from a particular manufacturer. Here a house number is preferable, particularly if there may be no replacement problem or no likely need of second sources of supply.

Even for house-number types, the EIA/JEDEC number plays a role because the user often, for example, will specify, "Just like the EIA/JEDEC type NXX, except..." While there are hundreds of house numbers for every EIA-type number, we know EIA/ JEDEC-numbered devices represent a significant portion of each manufacturer's production.

Q.—One frequently hears criticism that there

tomers obtain second sources of supply.

- 4) Characteristics of registered devices cannot be changed at will by the first or any subsequent manufacturer, except through a standard re-registration procedure. Standardization and interchangeability also are promoted.
- 5) Relatively non-technical personnel of user procurement, stock, and maintenance operations, often are aided in obtaining proper replacement parts.
- 6) This system provides a permanent record for future procurement where the original manufacturers no longer exist or make a given type.
- 7) The standardization and identification features of the EIA/JEDEC registration program also enable electronic parts distributors to reduce the number of parts required in inventories to serve customer requirements.



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REGISTRATION (Continued)

are too many type-numbers in the EIA/JEDEC system. People say several types can be substituted for a given type, which may not be available from the manufacturer. How is this possible if, in registration, the manufacturer's application for a number is reviewed to make certain it differs from a type already registered?

A.—A review of all EIA/IEDEC registered types shows that some are old types no longer designed in new equipment, but must be maintained on the registration book for replacement needs. Registration is a permanent record. Several types often can be substituted for a given type, provided one is willing to make certain compromises.

For example, if available space were not a problem in a particular application, then it might be possible to find four or five different application types with similar electrical characteristics but different mechanical dimensions. Different numbers were assigned to these similar devices because their physical dimensions were dissimilar.

In many cases a particular electrical characteristic may not be important to a given application or there may be two or more types whose other characteristics are quite similar. If it were not for standards prepared by ELA/JEDEC engineering committees, the number of registered types would be still more numerous. These committees have recommended dimensions, voltages, currents, test circuits, and rating methods which help minimize variants in product design.

Q.—What happens in cases where types, made by two different manufacturers, bear the same EIA/ JEDEC-type numbers that are not interchangeable in a given application?

A.—Assuming manufacturers comply with EIA/ JEDEC defining data, these cases will continue to arise because the industry learns as it progresses. For example, a registered-type may be made at a later time by some manufacturer using a newer manufacturing or processing technique and still meet the original registration characteristics. The new technique also may alter some characteristics of the device which formerly were unspecified and hence uncontrolled.

When the need for specifying these parameters comes to light in certain sensitive applications, the engineering committees will require that the characteristics be specified in future data. As the industry advances, the need for data to completely define a device also increases.

Q.—What is EIA's responsibility in observing that manufacturers conform to EIA/JEDEC registration data of their devices?

A.—The marketing and sale of any device is a contract matter between buyer and seller. EIA has no responsibility for policing how its data or numbers are used by manufacturers, but EIA is vitally intertested. This system depends upon voluntary compliance by both manufacturers and users.

Q.—Is this registration system limited to members of EIA?

A.—No. Any manufacturer, domestic or foreign, may register types with EIA.

Q.—Do foreign manufacturers make much use of the registration system?

A.—Limited use only. Types have been registered by electron device manufacturers throughout the world, but the number of these registrations has been small. In Europe, for example, manufacturers have available a registration office similar to EIA's operation.

Q.—Does the European registration office use the same standards and format as the EIA office?

A.—They do, where international standards exist. But their requirements and procedures differ somewhat from EIA. They assign their own series of type-numbers for their devices. Their numbering system is highly coded, compared with our numeric system. This practice was quickly called to our attention by those in our country who advocate changing EIA/JEDECtype numbers to a coded system.

EIA PUBLICATIONS

EIA's new microelectronics program operation is described in EIA Type Assignment Bulletin No. 3, "EIA Type Assignment Procedure for Microelectronic Devices." Also published is the new data registration format for logic gating circuit devices. Both publications are available from the Type Administration Section, EIA Engineering Office, Electronic Industries Association, 2001 "1" Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Q.—Then why don't we change to a coded system?

A.—We don't believe this system offers too many advantages. And in the case of tubes and semiconductors, it is impractical at this late stage to change to a new system of type-designation.

Q.—Now that the process of assignments for microelectronic devices has been started, why don't we introduce a coded system?

A.—For precisely the same reason that we did not start assigning coded numbers to electron tubes and to semiconductor devices at the inception of those numbering programs! We lack a "crystal ball" that allows us to see what kinds of products manufacturers will make in the distant future.

It is easy to look back and devise a coding system *after* a product area has been developed and stabilized. That is why the European registration office comparatively recently adopted a registration system for tubes and semiconductors by taking advantage of U. S. and European marketing experience. Significantly, we have no knowledge that the Europeans have been able to devise a coded system for microelectronic devices.

EIA engineering committees have spent much time examining possibilities of a coded system, particularly for newer products such as semiconductors and microelectronic circuit devices.

For example, well over a year ago semiconductor device manufacturers actively were designing types in which the operating portion of a JEDEC-numbered device was placed in a smaller "TO" package. This might have offered a good opportunity to use coding to show the electrical relationship between types having different outline dimensions. But, after careful study, the JEDEC Council and its committees found that changing the device packaging altered one or more electrical characteristics. A coded system then would have had to limit any variation in the so-called "identical characteristics" to be eligible for one of these coded designations.

Q.—Despite the Council's action, didn't some manufacturers use JEDEC registrations with added numbers and symbols to indicate the kind of coding mentioned here?

A.—Yes, but they were asked to discontinue this practice. The altered JEDEC designation misled users into believing that these devices were registered regularly. Registration procedures do not allow for the alteration of JEDEC numbers, except by the U. S. armed services.

There, the practice has been to assign a prefix, such as Mil (Military) or Jan (Joint Army/Navy), to indicate a device for which a military specification has been prepared, based upon EIA or JEDEC registration. The military specification usually adds quality or reliability requirements which are not part of the JEDEC registration.

Q.—Then, the JEDEC registration system is useful to the armed services?

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REGISTRATION (Concluded)

A.—Yes, in several ways. First, as mentioned, the armed services use the registration data in preparing a procurement specification. Second, in isolated cases there are small urgent procurements for types not yet covered by military specifications.

Here, the procurement agency uses registration data as a basis for buying the type. Third, and most important, the armed services look for the standardization benefits and advantages to be derived from the basic registration program.

Q.—Has anybody come up with a good plan for coding microelectronic devices?

A.—No. Occasionally we receive proposals on how to code tubes and semiconductors, varying from the mildest to the most extreme degree. Experience shows that the more information that is coded into a typedesignation, the more diffcult it is for users to remember the guide lines.

A larger number of systems also must be devised to encompass the many kinds of products covered by type designations. The more complicated the coding, the faster it will break down and require a revision as new product variations are produced.

We all would like to know of a coded system, devised at the inception of a type numbering program, that would: (a) result in type-numbers short enough to be memorized easily, (b) give a maximum amount of information on ratings and characteristics, and (c) be useful for all current and future products without need for any revision in the coding structure. But we lack the wisdom to devise such a system.

Q.—Do you feel that the EIA/JEDEC number system is less useful because it is uncoded?

A.—Certainly not. The construction of a number is only a minor aspect of the type-designation. This system, in use for well over 30 years, has proved quite effective as a standardization tool. It also has resulted in what the armed services call "item simplification." Both the small consumer who buys a single component and the large systems user have benefited from this program.

Inconvenience of an uncoded-type number system is offset largely by publications which list types by product category and summarize characteristics of EIA/ JEDEC types.

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EIA expects to publish information that will crossindex thoroughly all EIA/JEDEC-registered types. This method of handling data is better than assigning coded-type numbers because, as category needs change, new lists are issued to revise assignments of individual types.

G. F. HOHN, former manager of Electronic Industries Association's engineering office (recently in Newark, N. J.), served as JEDEC administrator from 1958 to 1965. His experience is drawn upon in this exclusive interview with Sidney Feldman, associate editor, ELECTRONIC INDUS-TRIES. As of December 31, EIA's Newark office was moved to EIA's new headquarters building in Washington, D. C. Mr. Hohn resigned and was succeeded by C. Everett Coon as EIA/JEDEC administrator.

MICROELECTRONIC DEVELOPMENTS . . .

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Fairchild Semiconductor has established a new memory products department to design, manufacture and market components and systems for memory sections of computers. First products of the new department, located in Mountain View, Calif., will be monolithic semiconductor "scratchpad" assemblies, ferrite memory cores, wired memory core planes and "stacks" of core planes.

A compact multi-purpose microcircuit bonding system capable of welding, brazing, parallel-gap soldering and thin-film diffusion bonding has been introduced by Hughes Aircraft Vacuum Tube Products Division, Occupying only 20 inches of bench space, the system includes a power supply, two types of bonding heads, micropositioning apparatus and accessories, and a Bausch & Lomb stereozoom microscope.

Four microminiature data processing systems—constructed entirely of microelectronic circuits, and operating on a fraction of a watt of power—are being built by General Instrument Corp., under contract from NASA for use in the OGO-E (Orbiting Geophysical Laboratory) research satellite. Two of the data processors weigh less than 16.5 ounces each and two less than 5 ounces. They will be used in cosmic ray experiments to collect data on space conditions.

A new family of linear integrated circuits for use in industrial environments has been announced by Texas Instruments Incorporated. Designated Series 72, the new family of monolithic silicon circuits initially includes the SN723 general-purpose differential amplifier and the SN724 general-purpose operational amplifier. Operating temperature range of the SN723 and SN724 is 0° to \pm 70°C. The SN723 features differential inputs and differential emitter-follower outputs. The SN724 features an unusually high input impedance. NUVAIUN NUVAIUN In Electrical Electronics Engineering

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Instruments Catalog

A new catalog contains photographs, descriptions, and complete specs. for this line of electronic instruments, including voltmeters, null detectors, current and voltage amplifiers, calibration sources and resistance measuring devices. The catalog also has definitions, check lists, applica-tions, and charts. Keithley Instruments, 12415 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 6, Ohio.

Circle 201 on Inquiry Card

MOS Microelectronic Circuits

A technical bulletin on designing with MOS microelectronic circuits offers data on MOS applications, fabrication, high input impedance, operation of RST flipflop, MOS integrated circuits, and resistor problems in integrated circuits. The bulletin contains drawings and schematics. General Instrument Corp., Microelectron-ics Div., 600 W. John St., Hicksville, L.I., N.Y. 11801.

Circle 202 on Inquiry Card

Memory System Catalog

This catalog (Bulletin 6536) describes an entire line of memory systems and stacks. Ten system descriptions are tabulated in a concise, foldout chart. The chart is designed to let users quickly compare access speeds, word and bit capacities, logic levels, power requirements, operating parameters, accessory equipment, and physical dimensions. Basic data on 2000 possible plane and stack configura-tions are included. Fabri-Tek, Inc., Amery, Wisc.

Circle 203 on Inquiry Card

Power Sources—Medical

V new illustrated booklet entitled, "One Hundred Million Heartbeats," describes the use of high reliability power sources in medical electronics. Special applica-tions areas are: cardiac situations in the Stokes-Adams syndrome, electrical control of the bladder and urinary tract, stimulation of the eighth nerve in certain hearing defects, and stimulation of the phrenic nerve to promote breathing in paralytic patients. The booklet is illustrated with charts and graphs. Mallory Battery Co., So. Broadway, Tarrytown, N. Y. 10591.

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Ni-Alloy Magnetic Cores

Tech Data 53-1 describes familiar nickel-alloy tapewound or cased cores repackaged for lower cost as new stand-ardized line of bobbin cores. Direct size interchange to 1/2 in. OD plus new nar-row widths to 1/32 in., even in Super-malloy. Change alloys freely for best freq. response: for mag-amps, dc invert-ers. SCR firing circuits, pulse and satur-ating transformers and inductors, shift registers, core-rope computer memories and digital circuitry. Infinetics Inc., 1601 Jessup St., Wilmington, Del.

Circle 205 on Inquiry Card

Component Catalog

This new catalog contains 53 pages of listings for capacitors and resistors designed for industrial uses. Capacitor types included are electrolytics, paper, film, met-allized film, subminatures, Mil types, ce-ramics, and micas. Decade boxes, filters, and resistors are also shown. Catalogs are available at Aerovox distributors or on company letterhead to Aerovox Corp., Distributor Div., New Bedford, Mass.

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Stepper Relays

A 34-page stepper relay catalog presents new developments in steppers with a concentrated "short course" for designers of multiple circuitry. Included are photographs, working drawings, specifications and operating data. Special sections include application guides, stepper terminology, a guide to stepper selection and ordering information. Catalog No. 5-32, Guardian Electric Mig. Co., 1550 W. Car-roll Ave., Chicago, III. 60607.

Circle 207 on Inquiry Card

Component Selector

New 1965/66 Component Selector "reflects a new philosophy in the component business—one that now offers unprece-dented benefits." This 129-page catalog in-cludes application charts, type selector charts, and standard rating selector tables to guide the user, or designer, to the proper selection of a standardized stock design. Cornell-Dubilier Electronics, 50 Paris St., Newark, N. J. 07101.

Circle 208 on Inquiry Card

Strip-Printer Bulletin

Strip printers for use in weapon and aerospace systems are described in this bulletin. It discusses various uses and develops the general concept of strip printer theory and operation. It concludes with a detailed description of 2 typical printers presently used by the military. Franklin Electronics, Inc., Bridgeport, Pa. 19405.

Circle 209 on Inquiry Card

Slip-Ring Assemblies

Bulletin SR-65 shows slip-ring assemblies in drum and pancake styles, from tiny units of less than a cu. in. to assemblies nearly 6 ft. high, carrying more than 150 power, instrument, and signal circuits, plus specs. Electro Switch Corp., 167 King Ave., Weymouth, Mass. 02188.

Circle 210 on Inquiry Card

BUWEPS Synchros

A data sheet on size 11 BUWEPS Synchros is available for designers who need a device that transduces shaft angle to electrical signals and vice versa. The data sheet presents full specs, on a family of synchros. Three types, CT, CX and CDX (Control Transform, Control Transmit-ter, and Control Differential Transmitter respectively) comprise the family. IMC Magnetics Corp., 570 Main St., Westbury, N. Y. 11591.

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NEW TECH DATA

Transducer Catalog

This catalog, in a series of 8, contains a simplified chart for an orderly customized selection of exact configurations to meet most transducer requirements. Manufacturing techniques of the length, stroke, windings within a given category, may be varied in reasonable increments to provide a large variety of configurations. G. L. Collins Corp., 5875 Obispo Ave., Long Beach, Calif. Circle 212 on Inquiry Cord

Micro Switch Bulletin

Full color illustrated Bulletin 70 offers control panel builders quick and easy-to-assemble "plug-in" lighted pushbutton switches and matching indicators. Charts and diagrams cover : mounting and wiring hardware; mechanical interlock "add-on devices : mounting dimensions : circuitry, component listings; and replacement parts. Micro Switch, a div. of Honeywell Inc., Freeport, Ill. 61033.

Circle 213 on Inquiry Card

Diode Reliability

 Λ 60-page report summarizing 15,700,-000 diode hours of 100 °C life test at rated conditions is now available. Tests were conducted for three years; during that conducted for three years; during that time 7,885 units "were life tested without a single failure. At the end of testing, all units continued to meet pre-test speci-fied requirements for all parameters." Included is a discussion of acceleration factors and a curve to apply such factors. Unitrode, 580 Pleasant St., Watertown, Mass Mass.

Circle 214 on Inquiry Card

Militarized Tape Transport

High - performance, ruggedized tape transport, for military environments is described in this brochure, Product Data 1-215M. The transport, Model SC-1150M, is a single-capstan digital tape transport which operates at bidirectional tape speeds to 150 ips without program restrictions. Documentation and logistics programs, recommended preventive maintenance, and field support are included. Potter Instrument Co., Inc., 151 Sumyside Blvd., Plainview, N. Y. 11803. Circle 215 on Inquiry Card

Photocom Switch

This data sheet (F-5186) provides spees, for solid-state photocom switch, SPST Series. Driven by a neon lamp that activates a photo-resistive cell, the unit is designed for low level switching. The switch has a life rated at billions of operations and has application as a series or shunt modulator in operational de amplifiers, PH meters, electrometers and servo controls. Fact sheet contains spees, schematics, and description. James Electronics, Inc., 4050 N. Rickwell St., Chi-cago, III, 60618,

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NEW TECH DATA

Potentiometer Catalog

Precision Potentiometer Short Form Catalog No. 3 gives specs, on Bourns entire precision potentiometer line, 25 types, including bushing mount, servo mount, and KNOBPOT[®] and LAB-POT[™] potentiometer styles, Bourns, Inc., Trimpot Div., 1200 Columbia Aye., Riverside, Calif. 92507.

Circle 217 on Inquiry Card

Power Supply Catalog

A 12-page illustrated catalog describing EECO transistorized, 12v and 6v dc power supplies is available. The units are joimarily for use with equipment rather than for general laboratory use. Data includes spees., graphs and sales offices. Engineered Electronics Co., 1441 E. Cnestunt Aye., Santa Ana, Calif.

Circle 218 on Inquiry Card

Vacuum Relay

A new 16-page catalog (No. 102) describes characteristics, construction and appliances of vacuum transfer relays. The catalog includes a useful section for engineers devoted to constructive suggestions on the proper application of vacsystems on the proper application of vac-num relays. The section contains sche-matics and data tables. Jennings Radio Mig. Corp., P. O. Box 1278, San Jose, Calif. 95108

Circle 219 on Inquiry Card

Miniature Capacitors

Steps in manufacture of miniature electrolytic capacitors are illustrated in a new brochure. Detailed from basic materials through final inspection, brochure underscores care taken in producing a product that relies on manual operation and assembly. Nashville Electronics, Irc., 2950 Foster Creighton Dr., Nashville, Tenn. 37204.

Circle 220 on Inquiry Card

Low T.C. Resistors

New Bulletin 109 describes small, axiallead resistors recently added to a line of silicone-ceramic, conformally coated power resistors. The line features low T.C. (temperature coefficient of resistance). prevision tolerances, excellent stability, and ratings to 1000w. Ohmite Mig. Co., 3664 Howard St., Skokie, Ill. 60076. Circle 221 on Inquiry Card

Pulse/Digital Generators

Condensed 1965-66 catalog furnishes major specifications, general descriptions and prices for over 25 pulse generators, including programmable models, ligital data generators, and plug-in output units. Domestic and overseas representatives and service centers are also listed. Datapulse Inc., 509 Hindry Ave., Inglewood, Calif. Circle 222 on Inquiry Card

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CERMET Catalog

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Circle 223 on Inquiry Card

Microminiature Modules

One of the "most complete documents ever assembled on microminiature electronic modules" is offered in an illustrated, 32 page booklet, which describes design, development, packaging and prototype fabrication, Illustrations highlight pointto-point, matrix, multilayer and parallel gap welding. High Reliability Circuit Systems, Inc., div. of International Electronic Research Corp., 1853 N. Raymond Ave., Anaheim, Calif. 92801.

Circle 224 on Inquiry Card

Connectors and Contacts

Catalog MCTC-1 describes microminiature high-density MICRO/CON rack/ panel and strip connectors icatures TW1ST/CON microminiature contacts. TW1ST/CON pins and sockets permit high density packaging up to 420 contacts/sq. in. on 0.050 in, centers. M1CRO/ CON connectors are sold harnessed and assembled, or in bulk. Catalog contains diagrams, drawings and specs. Microdot Inc., 220 Pasadena Ave., So. Pasadena, Calif.

Circle 225 on Inquiry Card

Indicator Lights

This 16-page fully illustrated catalog (1.-161F) presents a wide array of miniature and large indicator lights for use with neon or incandescent light source. Also included are tamper-proof open type assemblies and lens caps for panel mounting. Lamp charts are provided, giving a complete listing of the appropriate lamps for the series of indicator lights. Dialight (orp., 60) Stewart Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y. 11237.

Circle 226 on Inquiry Card

Voltage Control Devices

New 20-page buyer's guide, (GEC-1064) describes a complete line of regulated de power supplies, ac voltage stabilizers, and manual, plug-in, motor-operated and automatic Volt-Pac@ variable transformers. Illustrated bulletin contains ordering information, dimensions, diagrams, operating characteristics, and a special problem solver to aid in product selection. General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y. 12305.

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Solid-State Multiplexers

This brochure provides complete technical information on Series 970 Solid-State Multiplexers. Three models feature high-speed multiplexing, improved FET switching, 8 to 128 channel expandability, and selectable stepping rates from 0 to 20,000 chanels/sec. Input configurations are described for single-ended Model 970, differential Model 975, and the 3-wire Model 976. Control requirements, operating characteristics, and spees, are detailed. Astrodata, Inc., P. O. Box 3003, 240 E. Palais Rd., Anaheim, Calif.

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Solenoid Drivers

A new bulletin discusses inductive overshoot caused by long leads between driver modules and the relays or solenoids they are controlling in memory core testing situations. Overshoot can destroy the driving transistors. Solution suggested is using a zener diode to ground inductive transients that exceed harmful potentials. Digital Equipment Corp., 146 Main St., Maynard, Mass. 01754.

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Solid-State Modules

Aplication bulletins, (SCD10, 11, 12 and 20) on 4 new solid-state logic modules for controlling automatic machines and processes, explain logic capabilities of each module and provide data on electrical requirements, installation and connectors. Schematic drawings in each bulletin show the diode relay equivalent circuit which can be supplied by the appropriate module. Ault, Inc., 3501–48th Ave. N., Minneapolis, Minn. 55429.

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Potentiometer Catalog

Revised edition of a 20-page catalog on rotary precision film potentiometers describes 3 new lines: Series 150, 17/16 in. dia.; slimline in 134, 2 and 3 in. dia.; and low torque-low inertial Series 170 potentiometers. The catalog (No. rp 962/B) contains data and spees, on single and multi-turn potentiometers and potentiometer elements, plus special configurations, Computer Instruments Corp., 92 Madison Ave., Hempstead, L.L., N. Y.

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Microwave Power Measurement

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An 80-page Application Note #64 entitled, "Microwave Power Measurement," details recently-developed techniques for higher accuracies with reduced complexity and time. Special emphasis is placed upon accuracy improvement. Modern nears of determining effective efficiency and cali-bration factor are developed. Ways to apply the data simply, to achieve higher accuracy, are given. Available from Hew-lett-Packard, 1501 Page Mill Rd., Palo Alto, Calif. 94304.

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NEW TECH DATA

Power Supply Bulletin

A new brochure, Bulletin 101C, decribes improved specs, and a new available model in compact, high precision power supply series featuring the "duct" twin amplifier which controls voltage or current with automatic crossover to either mode. Deltron, Inc., North Wales, Pa.

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Ceramic Packages

A new Bulletin No. 655 on AlSiPak High Alumina Ceramic Packages contains technical data on this subject which has not been published previously. The technical bulletin contains charts, specs, and colorful diagrams of ceramic packages. Steatite Div., American Lava Corp., Chattanooga, Tenn. 37405. Circle 234 on Inquiry Cord

Differential Amplifier

An all solid-state differential amplifier the Model C-44 Amplexer¹³⁴ amplifier, this low-cost unit provides commutated, filtered or wideband outputs, and choice of gains, bandwidths and filters. Berkeley Div. of Beckman Instruments, Inc., Richmond, Calif.

Circle 235 on Inquiry Card

Power Supply Index

An up-to-date index lists 10 standard transducer excitation power supplies. A 2-page reference chart on the inside pages contains all specs. Six use constant current, one uses constant voltage, and 3 can be switched from constant current to constant voltage merely by switching links, B & F Instruments, Inc., 3644 N. Lawrence St., Phila., Pa. Circle 236 on Inquiry Cord

Coaxial Switches

A new 12-page catalog describes 23 types of hermetically-scaled coaxial switches. Complete mechanical and electrical spec, photographs, and outline drawings are included. The catalog also contains details on variations of voltages, r-f connectors and power terminations available for each type. Electronic Specialty Co., 4561 Colorado Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90039.

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Sealing Design Book

This new design handbook is called a must for all designers faced with sensitive sealing problems. Spring - loaded, self-energized teflon seals feature low friction, chemical incrtness, temp. range from cryogenic to $+400^{\circ}$ F, unlimited storage life. Request Tec-Ring[®] design handbook, TR-100. Tec Seal Corp., 22624 Avalon Blvd., Wilmington, Calif.

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VCXO Use Brochure

A new brochure on the use of VCXOs (Voltage Controlled Crystal Oscillators) includes brief graphic and theoretical dis-cussion. Background data describes important characteristics which make the VCXO applicable to specific techniques in military, industrial and commercial projects. Included are block diagrams, schematics and tables. Damon Engi-neering, Inc., 240 Highland Ave., Need-ham Heights 94, Mass.

Circle 239 on Inquiry Card

Micro-Miniature Sockets

Complete details on a full line of microminiature relay sockets are presented in a new catalog. Included are photos, outline drawings, electrical and mechanical specs., and chassis cutout dimensions. Branson Corp., Vanderhoof Ave., Denville, N. J. Circle 240 on Inquiry Card

Rigid Line Assembly

Special assemblies fabricated from rigid line are fully described in this catalog. Four pages are devoted to illustrations of terminations, cavities, power dividers, antennas, low-pass filters and reducers, all of which are "unique assemblies" fabricated of rigid coaxial transmission line in copper or aluminum. Bulletin RLA, Issue 1, Phelps Dodge Electronic Products Corp., P. O. Box 187, 60 Dodge Ave., North Haven, Conn.

Circle 241 on Inquiry Card



Ratiometry Data File

Technical Data File on ac ratiometry and automatic test equipment consists of a bound set of 10 technical bulletins in which engineers discuss the state-of-theart of ac measurement. Papers cever phase angle measurement and phase sensitive conversion. Theory and practical applications are covered. North Atlantic Industries, Inc., 200 Terminal Drv., Plainview, N. Y. 11803.

Circle 242 an Inquiry Card

Potentiometer loading data

Technical Data Bulletin No. TD-113 discusses aspects of the effect on the output voltage ratio of linear and nonlinear potentiometers of varying or unexpected loads. Formulae are developed to permit a circuit or system designer to compute output errors. Each use circuit is illustrated with diagrams, and voltage ratio load effect is shown graphically in a series of curves. Markite Corp., 155 Waverly Place, New York, N.Y. 10014. Circle 243 on Inquiry Cord

Power Rectifier Diode

Bulletin B-113 provides engineering data on a new silicon power rectifier, the 70H, suitable for industrial, commercial and military uses. The device has high surge current capacity (up to 1200a), fatiguefree construction, standard or reverse polarity, and low thermal impedance. International Rectifier, 233 Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif. 90246.

Circle 244 on Inquiry Cord

Feed-Thru Capacitors

Lug-terminal capacitors have been added to Type 180D Tantalex Feed-Thru Capacitor family used for RFI suppression. These capacitors are now available in 50 and 75v, ratings. Complete performance characteristics and list of standard ratings are given in Engineering Bulletin No. 3525A. Sprague Electric Co., 233 Marshall St., No. Adams, Mass. Circle 245 on Inquiry Cord

Resolver/Synchro

Newsletter No. 15 describes precision shaft angle to digital and digital to shaft angle conversion systems—using a special solid-state resolver/synchro. The new resolver/synchro can use CN, CT, CDN or any resolver or synchro configuration, and requires no modification of existing equipment. Reeves Instrument Co., Garden City, N, Y,

Circle 246 an Inquiry Card

Vibration Transducer

A velocity vibration transducer that provides an unusual combination of 1-f response in a lightweight (2.2 oz.), shockresistant unit is described in a bulletin 4150. The type 4-150 is a small vibration transducer for 1-f velocity or displacement measurements. Available from Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., subs. of Bell & Howell, 360 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif.

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rectifier could be used with a center-tapped secondary on the transformer, which would be somewhat more difficult to construct.

The rectified square wave from the bridge, filtered by L_1 and C_{17} , supplies a constant dc voltage to the load. Excitation current for L_1 is normally supplied through the load; for operation without external load, therefore, a small (100 Ω) resistor is shunted across the output terminals.

Reference and Error Amplifier

Voltage regulation is provided by the error amplifier and voltage reference consisting of Q_{10} and D_{23} . These feed back an error voltage to the μA 702A comparator to adjust the duty cycle of the output square wave from the control circuitry.

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 C_{17} in the output.

The same mechanism can be used to change the load voltage by adjusting the pot at the base of Q_{10} . Moving it up, for example, causes the base of Q_{10} to go more positive than its emitter. Transistor conduction then decreases and the error voltage also decreases. This increases the duty cycle of the output waveform from the switching amplifiers and thus increases the load voltage.

Performance of supply --- Efficiency and regulation curves for the power supply are shown in Fig. 8. The regulation characteristic (a), plotted as a function of load current at a constant 30v input supply level, shows a 1% variation in output voltage from no load up to 1a. From 1 to 5a, the output voltage remains constant. The regulation curve (b) shows that the output remains constant as the input supply voltage changes from 25 to 33.5v. The load current under this condition is a constant 2.1a. The efficiency curve (c) shows a peak efficiency of 82.5% at 3a of output current. The element in the supply which contributes the largest loss is the bridge rectifier. At 5a, a single rectifier drop is 1.5v, so that the total bridge drop, through two series rectifiers, is 3v. If the supply requirement had necessitated a higher dc output voltage, the efficiency would have increased because of the lower diode loss at the reduced current. Curve (d) shows a change in efficiency of only 2% as the input voltage is changed over the extreme range of 25 to 33.5v.



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static defocusing, electron skipping of stages, and other effects.

Regulation

The voltage applied to the dynodes may be regulated by either of two methods. One is to have a tightly regulated power supply in the 1000 to 1500 v. class, and to have a high current bleeder so as to supply a low source impedance voltage to each dynode. Disadvantage of this method is that for most uses it is complex, costly and may present a severe maintenance problem.

The second method is to regulate the voltage at each dynode. Several methods have been proposed and used to do this. One is to use zener diodes, which have good regulation. But, they can only be used in applications where they will not be adversely affected by their poor temperature coefficients. Cost is also a factor in their selection because high voltage, close tolerance zeners tend to be too expensive.

Use of large gas tube regulators for each dynode also tends to be costly. Often they do not exhibit a close enough regulation to maintain the dynode voltage within tight limits. Sometimes they exhibit jump voltage characteristics. In some uses, their size prohibits their use.

Newer Method

A newer method for regulating these voltages has recently become available with the development of subminiature cold cathode voltage regulators. These were an outgrowth of the development program to produce neon glow lamps with the same tight tolerances as other circuit components. These new tubes, made by Signalite Inc., are subminiature components whose regulation over the needed current ranges is usually less than 0.1 v. (Fig. 3) and whose temperature coefficient is a few mv/°C. Typical lifetime of 30,000 hrs. allows these tubes to be permanently wired into the circuit. Their low initial cost is well below that of other components designed for the same job. Their physical dimensions and low mass have allowed them to be used with applications of photomultipliers where there are severe space and weight limitations.

A circuit for voltage regulation of a photomultiplier tube using cold cathode voltage regulators is shown in Fig. 4. This circuit was used with a type 931-A tube which is critically dependent on voltage. The voltage at dynode 9 of Fig. 4 is plotted against the input voltage in Fig. 5. Regulation is accomplished by 10 type Z84R12 voltage reference tubes. These tubes have an average temperature coefficient of minus 2 mv/°C and exhibit less than 1 v. change from the 84 v. reference from 0.15 to 2.0 ma. Life expectancy is 30,000 hrs. of continuous operation.



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Uses

Photonultipliers are an important tool in detection. measurement and observation where human visual acuity is insufficient. This is particularly true where the light level is low enough to preclude the use of other types of photosensitive devices such as photocells. Because in these uses the effects of noise or transit time can materially affect the needed results, accurate regulation of voltages to the dynodes is of critical importance. These new cold cathode voltage regulators can provide reliable regulation over a long period of time in a small package and at a favorable cost differential. Many photomultiplier uses can benefit from this new development. Some of these are photometry, spectrophometric instrumentation, scintillation counters, gamma ray spectrometers, Cerenkov radiation measurement and particle size measurement. Others are smoke detectors, celestial navigation, star tracking, flying-spot TV pick-up, laser detection and timing measurement.

Typical Photometer

A typical photometer capable of full scale readings

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in the microlumen range is shown in Fig. 6. It consists of a high voltage power supply for the photometer and a low voltage power supply for the VTVM.

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The anode supplies a current through its load resistor to ground. The amount of anode current is a function of the incident light hitting the cathode. It appears as a voltage drop across the anode load resistor. In the schematic this resistor is actually a selected resistor depending on range. The voltage drop is applied to one grid of a push-pull dc amplifier. This amplifier is very stable due to the negative feedback in its cathode circuit and to its regulated power supply.

In actual operation Switch 1 is turned to the BALANCE position and the BALANCE control is adjusted for a zero reading. Next, with the photomultiplier in an enclosed housing, Switch 1 is turned to the READ position. The dark current BALANCE control is then adjusted until the meter again reads zero. The hood is removed from the photomultiplier and the light range selector switch is turned for the best reading.





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Systems Engineering Tools

By Harold Chestnut. Published 1965 by John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 605 Third Ave., New York, N.Y. 10016. Price \$12.95. 646 pages.

This book develops the mathematics and technical skills needed in the analysis and synthesis of large, complex, one-of-a-kind systems in the utility, industrial, and military fields. The importance of energy, materials, and information in the production of high grade systems is emphasized. Modeling and simulation are highlighted, and computing is presented in terms of both analog and digital methods. Optimization is also treated from many points of view.



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By Michael L. Dertouzos. Published 1965 by The M.I.T. Press, Cambridge, Mass. Price \$6.00. 256 pages.

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By R. W. P. King, H. R. Mimno, and A. H. Wing. Published 1965 by Dover Publications, Inc., 180 Varick St., New York 14, N.Y. Price \$2.00, 347 pages, paperback.

This Dover edition is a corrected and enlarged version of the work first published by McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., in 1945.

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Microelectronic Circuits and Applications

By J. M. Carroll. Published 1965 by McGraw-Hill Book Co., 330 West 42nd St., New York, N.Y. 10036. Price \$9.75. 356 pages.

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Edited by S. J. Mathis, Jr., R. E. Wiley and L. M. Spandorfer. Published 1965 by Spartan Books, Inc., 1250 Connecticut Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. Price \$8.50. 272 pages.

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