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## for Stock Hermetically Sealed Components


#### Abstract

- For over fifteen years UTC has been the largest supplier of transformer components for military applications, to customer specifications. Listed below are a number of types, to latest military specifications, which are now catalogued as UTC stock items.



rcof case
Length ..................... 1 25/64 Width ............................61/64 Height ...................... $113 / 32$ Mounting ...................... 1 1/8 Screws ....................4-40 FIL.
Cutout ......................7/8 Dia.
Unit Weight ................ 1.5 oz.


RC-50 CASE
Length .......................... 1 5/8
Width ............................ 1 5/8
Height ........................ 2 5/16
Mounting .................... $15 / 16$
Screws ........................\#6-32
Cutout .................. 1 1/2 Dia.
Unit Weight .................. $80 z$.


SM CASE
Length ..........................11/16 Width ................................1/2 Height ..........................29/32 Screw .....................4-40 FiL. Unit Weight ..................... 8 oz.

## MINIATURE AUDIO UNITS...RCOF CASE

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Type } \\ & \text { No. } \end{aligned}$ | Application | $\underset{\text { Type }}{\text { MIL }}$ | Pri. Imp. Ohms | Sec. Imp. Chms | $\underset{\text { Pri., MA }}{\text { DC }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Response } \\ \pm 2 \mathrm{db} \text {. (Cyc.) } \end{gathered}$ | Max. level dbm | List Price |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H. 1 | Mike, pickup, line to grid | TF1A10YY | 50,200 CT, 500 CT* | 50.000 | 0 | 50-10,000 | + 5 | \$16.50 |
| H.2 | Mike to grid | TFIALIYY | 82 | 135.000 | 50 | 250-8,000 | +21 | 16.00 |
| H-3 | Single plate to single grid | TFIA15YY | 15,000 | 60.000 | 0 | 50-10,000 | + 6 | 13.50 |
| H.4 | Single plate to single grid, DC in Pri. | TF1A15YY | 15,000 | 60,000 | 4 | 200-10.000 | +14 | 13.50 |
| H.5 | Single plate to P.P. grids | TF1A15YY | 15,000 | 95.000 CT | 0 | 50-10,000 | + 5 | 15.50 |
| H-6 | Single plate to P.P. grids, DC in Pri. | TF1A15YY | 15,000 | 95.000 split | t | 200-10,000 | +11 | 16.00 |
| H-7 | Single or P.P. plates to line | TFIA13YY | 20,000 CT | 150,600 | 4 | 200-10,000 | +21 | 16.50 |
| H-8 | Mixing and matening | TF1A16YY | 150/600 | 600 CT | 0 | 50-10,000 | + 8 | 15.50 |
| H-9 | 82/41:1 input to grid | TF1A10YY | 150/600 | 1 meg. | 0 | 200.3,000 (4db.) | +10 | 16.50 |
| H-10 | 10:1 single plate to single grid | TF1A15YY | 10,000 | 1 meg . | 0 | 200-3,000 (4db.) | +10 | 15.00 |
| H-11 | Reactor | TF1A2OYY | 300 Henries-0 | , 50 Henries. 3 | 3 Ma .00 | , 6,000 Ohms. |  | 12.00 |

## COMPACT AUDIO UNITS...RC-5O CASE

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Type } \\ & \text { No. } \end{aligned}$ | Application | $\underset{\text { Type }}{\text { MIL }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Pri. Imp. } \\ & \text { Ohms. } \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\partial \mathrm{hms}}{\mathrm{Sec} . \operatorname{Imp} .}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { DC in } \begin{array}{c} \text { Response } \\ \text { Pri., MA } \pm 2 \mathrm{db} \text {. (Cyc.) } \end{array} \end{gathered}$ | Max. level dbm | List Price |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H-20 | Single plate to 2 grids, can also be used for P.P. plates | TF1Al5Y | 15,000 split | 80,000 split | 30.20,000 | +12 | \$20.00 |
| H-21 | Single plate to P.P. grids, DC in Pri. | TF1A15YY | 15,000 | 80,000 split | 8 100-20,000 | +23 | 23.00 |
| H-22 | Single plate to multiple line | TFIA13YY | 15,000 | $\begin{gathered} 50 / 200 \\ 125 / 500^{*} \end{gathered}$ | 8 50-20,000 | $+23$ | 21.00 |
| H-23 | P.P. plates to multiple line | TFIA13YY | 30,000 split. | $\begin{gathered} 50 / 200 \\ 125 / 500^{\star *} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8 \\ & \text { BAL. } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | +19 | 20.00 |
| H-24 | Reactor | TF1A20YY | $\begin{aligned} & 450 \text { Hys.- } \\ & 65 \text { Hys. }-1 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 50 \text { дys. } 5 \mathrm{Ma} \\ & \mathrm{C}, 1500 \text { ohms. } \end{aligned}$ | $\text { DC, } 6000 \text { ohms... }$ |  | 15.00 |

## SUBMINIATURE AUDIO UNITS...SM CASE

| Type No. | Application | MIL <br> Type | Pri. Imp. Ohms | Sec. Imp. Ohms | $\underset{\text { Pri., MA }}{\text { DC in }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Response } \\ \pm 2 \mathrm{db} \text {. (Cyc.) } \end{gathered}$ | Max. Ievel dbm | List Price |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H-30 | Input to grid | TFIAlOYY | 50*** | 6¢,500 | 0 | 150-10,000 | +13 | \$13.00 |
| H-31 | Single plate to single grid, 3:1 | TFIALSYY | 10,000 | 9C,000 | 0 | 300-10,000 | +13 | 13.00 |
| H-32 | Single plate to line | TF1A13YY | 10,000**** | 200 | 3 | 300-10,000 | $+13$ | 13.00 |
| H-33 | Single plate to low impedance | TFIA13YY | 30,000 | 50 | 1 | 300-10,000 | +15 | 13.00 |
| H-34 | Single plate to low impedance | tF1A13YY | 100,000 | 60 | . 5 | 300-10,000 | + 6 | 13.00 |
| H-35 | Reactor | TF1A20YY | 100 Henr | 50 Henries | Ma. DC, | 4,400 ohms. |  | 11.00 |

The impedance ratings ore isted in standard manner Obviously, a transformer with 15,000 ohm primary imped. ance con operate from a pube representing a source impedance of 7700 ohms, etc. in addition, transformers can be used for opplications differing considerably from those shown keeping in mind that mpedince ratio is constant lower source impedance will improve response and level mprove response and level pedance will reduce frequency pedance will reduce frequen

* 200 ohm termination can be used for 150 ohms or 250 ohms, 500 o7m termination can be used for 600 ohms.
** 200 ohm termination can be used for 150 ohms or 250 ohms, $125 / 500$ ohm termination can be used for $150 / 600$ ohms.
*** can be used with higher source impedances, with corresponding reduction in frequency range. With 200 ohm source, secondary impedance becomes 250,000 ohms. . . loaded response is -4 db . at 300 cycles.
****can be used for 500 ohm load . . . 25,000 ohm primary impedance ... 1.5 Ma . DC.

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## FIGURES OF THE MONTH



## FCC Grants 18 New TV Construction Permits

## Denver's KFEL breaks tape for new applicants with tests on channel 2 July 19

Four lean years for would-be telecasters came to an end Friday, July 11, as the FCC granted 18 construction permits; 13 in the uhf band.

Thirteen construction permits were granted in group A priority areas, currently receiving service from cities 40 miles or more distant; while five CP's were issued for priority $B$ areas now receiving local service. FCC recently acquired a $\$ 300,000$ appropriation.

Otherwise, 64 contested applications were designated for hearing while 25 applications were dismissed either because the application had remained unamended since the lifting of the freeze or because the application was incomplete or otherwise defective.

During the meeting, applications
were considered strictly in order of the FCC's city-by-city priority list.

New applications continue to deluge the Commission. During the week ending July 12 there were 84 new applications filed. Total filings now are approaching 600 of which nearly 200 are for uhf assignments. KFEL began tests in July, and KVOD will follow by mid August.

- New TV CP's -

| City Ch | Channel | Licensee |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Denver, Colo. | 2 | Eugene P. O'Fallon Inc. (KFEL) |
|  | 9 | Colorado TV Corp. (KVOD) |
|  | 26 | Empire Coil Co. (WXEL, Cleveland) |
| Portland, Ore. | 27 | Empire Coil Co. (WXEL) |
| SpringfieldHolyoke, Mass. | 55 | Hampton-Hampshire |
|  |  | Corp. (WHYN) |
|  |  | Broadcasting Co. |
| Youngstown, Ohio | hio 73 | Vindicator Pub. Co. <br> (WFMJ) |
|  | 27 | WKBN Broadcasting Corp. |
| Flint, Mich. | 28 | Trans-America TV Corp. |
| Spokane, Wash. | . 4 | KXLY-TV Co. |
| Austin, Texas | 7 | Texas Broadcasting Ce. (KTBC) |
|  | 18 | Capital City TV Co. |

GROUP B
Bridgeport Conn. 43 Southern Conn
Long Island TV Co. (WICC)
New Britain, Conn. 30 New Britain
Broadcasting Co.
(WKNB)
New Bedford, Mass. 28 (WKNB) $\begin{aligned} & \text { E. Anthony and Sons }\end{aligned}$
(WNISH)
York, Pa. $49 \begin{aligned} & \text { Helm Coal Co. } \\ & \text { (WNOW) }\end{aligned}$
(WNOW)
Susquehanna
$3 \begin{aligned} & \text { Susquehanna } \\ & \text { Broadcasting } \\ & \text { Co. }\end{aligned}$
Broadcast
(WSBA)

## Backlog Nears \$5-Billion Mark

## Electronics industry reports over half its equipment output earmarked for defense

Office of naval material figures gathered for the Department of Defense reveal a January 1, 1952 backlog "of undelivered electronic equipment orders totaling $\$ 4,972$, 100,000 , of which $\$ 824,100,000$


## 'Going Up' Via Atomic Electronics

[^0]represents subcontracts.
There has been some backlog reduction since that date.

Military production will take an estimated 53.3 -percent bite out of this year's electronic-equipment output. Last year's production, military and civilian, totaled $\$ 3$,818,200,000.

- Survey-The survey upon which the above figures are based covered 409 manufacturers, of which 278 were 'small', with less than 500 employees. Component and piecepart makers were not included.

Small companies reported proportionally more military business than did large firms. Percentage wise, small companies outstripped large firms 65.2 to 52.2 .

Subcontracts for military equipment comprised 16 percent of largecompany backlog, while that of small concerns is approximately 23.3 percent.

Sixty-eight companies said all their business was now military; 28 reported no military business. Applications for certificates of necessity have been filed by 132 companies.

## New ILS Transmitters

Improved glide slope transmitters are replacing the old war surplus transmitters in CAA's Instrument Landing System (ILS) as rapidly as they can be manufactured.

The new transmitters will go into 98 domestic airports now using ILS and about 75 additional ones where ILS is scheduled. Installed in duplicate for standby service, they will increase the usable range of the glide slope from 10 to 30 miles.

An improved monitoring system is being installed with the new transmitters. Independent receivers continuously sample the output of the transmitter. If it changes in path width, path angle, or signal level, red lights flash and bells ring in the control tower. The traffic controller can then immediately switch to the standby transmitter.

Cost of the new electronic equipment is approximately $\$ 7,500$ for each location.


Six companies slice $\$ 12$ million melon, as . . .

## Pipeline Microwave Blooms

Potential market is barely scratched as microwave links gird nation

Microwaye radio relay, furnishing communications along gas and oil pipelines, represents a capital outlay of nearly $\$ 12$ million. Microwave today links 3,074 miles of oil and natural gas pipeline. An additional 7,140 miles are approaching completion.

Two systems, Mid-Valley and Texas-Illinois, each extending nearly 1,000 miles, are in daily operation. Four systems now under construction will also stretch 1,000 miles or more. These include the 1,-840-mile Transcontinental Gas system, Michigan-Wisconsin, TexasEastern, and Trunkline Gas.

- Potential Market-Microwave systems provide communications for less than four percent of all operating gas and oil pipelines. There are 161,151 miles of oil pipeline, the American Petroleum institute reports, while there are 117,-

000 miles of natural gas pipeline, according to an American Gas Association estimate.

The chart shows how six manufacturers of complete microwave packages have so far served the pipeline market. Federal Telephone and Radio leads in total orders but few Federal pipeline microwave systems are in operation. Motorola, second in total business, leads in systems in operation.

Slow starters, aware of the vast potential market in this field, may be holding back to benefit from the often costly experiences of microwave pathfinders.

- Economic Features - Pipeline communications experts, after carefully eyeing long-distance telephone tolls, conclude that any right-ofway company that requires four or more private lines may well consider installing private communications facilities. Initial cost of a microwave system, $\$ 800$ to $\$ 1,500$ per mile, roughly equals that of
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## Second new plant in New England area to produce magnetrons and special purpose tubes

Again Sylvania prepares for new advances in electronics production with the announcement of plans for a third Electronics Division plant.

Located at Newton, Massachusetts, this up-to-the-minute manufacturing unit will include in-line-exhaust equipment devoted to manufacture of Sylvania Magnetrons for microwave radar equipment use.

This new plant represents one more step in Sylvania's long-range program of provid-
ing high quality electronic tubes for military and commercial use where top performance is needed.

For information on Sylvania tubes for use from 1000 mc . up, write for Microwave Package $\mathrm{H}-4$ which includes catalog material on Sylvania Magnetrons, TR and ATR Tubes, Hydrogen Thyratrons, Microwave Crystals, Rocket Tubes and Tunable Klystrons. Write Dept. E-2608, Sylvania Electric Products Inc., 1740 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.




Sylvania Magnetrons

Type 2.542-A low = power fixed-frequency X-band type


Type 4J50-High-power $X$. bandmagnefron


Type 4352-Low power X-band magnetron


Type 4178 -
High-power x High-power X-
bandmagnetron


4Type 6027-Sim. ilar to 2 J 42 with higher power output


10,214 miles of pipeline microwave relay girds nation
a wire line. Microwave, however, does not require easements as does a pole line, it uses less hard-to-get copper, and avoids maintenance headaches arising from ice and windstorm.

Potential microwave users in the pipeline clan have been concerned because of the Bell System's policy regarding interconnection of telephone company facilities and private communications systems. Latest word is that Bell will generally permit interconnection with
telephone - company - owned PBX's for calls along the right-of-way. Toll and exchange connection, however, will not be provided.

This means that the private microwave user will not have to supply an extra telephone for every desk to carry on company business along the right-of-way. However, an oil man in Chicago still cannot legally call up the little woman in Houston, using the oil company's microwave system to save longdistance toll.

## Electronic Clerks: Fact or Fancy?

## Computer-type business machines are fast and accurate, but high cost discourages large-scale use

Electronic computers can readily be taught to solve extremely complicated mathematical problems, but no really simple method has yet been devised for teaching these machines the simple concepts of reading and writing.
As a result, they have become widely accepted in scientific laboratories, where the math problems are complex and the amount of information involved is small, but in business offices, where the situation is the reverse, electronic computers have yet to prove their worth in all but the most special cases.

- What's New-Many companies are currently engaged in develop-
ing tube devices for doing clerical work that now occupies the time of 16 percent of the country's working population.

Electronic Computer Corp., of Brooklyn, is nearing completion of a 1,000 -tube machine to service a weekly magazine subscription list. It prints 750,000 up-to-date labels for mailing and makes an average of 20,000 corrections in stored information each week.

Potter Instruments will soon unveil a random-access memory device which, in conjunction with the already introduced 5,000 -wpm typewriter (Electronics, May 1952) and a new input keyboard, will provide a completely automatic electronic business machine of extraordinary flexibility and capacity.

- Looking Ahead - Drawing boards are full, but offices are still
unfortunately void of electronic business machines. At present government agencies are the only quantity buyers, but large mail-order houses, insurance companies, banks and publishing houses are catching on fast.

Most research is being directed toward improved memory and input and output devices. The almost universally-used IBM card has limitations. Magnetic tapes are capable of storing large amounts of information, but with present-day techniques it is difficult and time consuming to jump from one end of a long tape to the other.

With the cost of human labor constantly rising, and companies like Remington Rand, IBM and Burroughs constantly working to reduce the cost of electronic office machines, a fairly optomistic prediction for the future can be made. When the breakeven point is reached, the electron tube should be as commonplace in the business office as the filing cabinet is today.

## Londoners View Gaite Parisienne

## Different picture standards fail to impede international television

International television became a reality this month when British and French viewers witnessed a week-long series of bilingual programs originating in Paris between July 8 and 14 . Although crosschannel television was first tried in August 1950, this latest test marks the first time two national systems have been completely interconnected.

A similar international hook-up is planned to carry next year's coronation ceremonies from London. At this time the network may also include Holland, West Germany, Belgium and Italy.

- Technical Problems-Converting the French 819-line picture to the British 405 -line picture posed a (Continued on page 10)


9 standard terminaldesigns fit every mounting need

## 20,000-Volt Molded Ceramic Capacitors

Molded in moisture resistant, non-flammable thermosetting plastic, these new Sprague Type 700C Ceramic Capacitors offer exceptional reliability and economy as filters for TV receivers and C-R instrument high-voltage supplies. Standard capacitance is 500 mmf . and the units are conservatively rated for operation at 20,000 volts d-c. Write on letterhead for Engineering Bulletin 606.


## Extended Capacitance Ranges for Precision Circuitry

These new Sprague-Herlec Precision Tubular Ceramic Capacitors make it possible to control the capacitance tolerance of exacting 500, 1000 and 1500 V. d-c precision circuits within $\pm 1 \%$. Temperature coefficient tolerances may be reduced to as little as $\pm 1.0$ parts in a million!
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technical problem solved by scanning, with a 405 -line camera, the picture on an 819-line receiver.

The receiver incorporates, for this purpose, a picture tube having a long-persistence phosphor. The
same system can be used when interconnecting systems using either the American 525-line picture or the 625 -line picture favored in several European countries. London viewers report picture quality compared favorably with regular $B B C$ remotes.

- Microwave Relay - The map shows the Paris-London microwave radio relay. Temporary links connected London with the permanent Paris-Lille installation. Conversion of television signals to British standards was accomplished at Cassel.

The Franco-British test renewed speculation concerning trans-Atlantic television. Suggested schemes envision a radio-relay system using either a chain of high-flying planes or of shore stations located in the Faroe Islands, Iceland, Greenland, Baffin Land and Labrador. Either system, however, would cost upwards of $\$ 50$ million.

## High-Frequency Transistors Coming

## Developmental point-contact type opens new fields of application

In the short time since the discovery of transistor action, many technical advances have been made.

The so-called 'junction' type quickly followed the point-contact type. Probably second in importance only to the announcement of the junction transistor is the recent news that point-contact transistors can be made to oscillate at frequencies in the 100 to 200 -megacycle band.

- Significance-Early transistors had been publicized as capable of oscillating at 50 megacycles. With operation extended well above 50 megacycles, the transistor is now able to keep company with the tube in new areas of application.

According to B. N. Slade, transistor engineer of the RCA Tube Department in Harrison, N. J., there is a definite correlation between spacing of the contact points of a transistor and fre-
quency response. In general, the closer the spacing, the higher the frequency. Less widely realized, however, is the fact that frequency response as well as stability of a transistor is determined largely by resistivity of the germanium.

Different combinations of spacing and resistivity enable engineers to design transistors with a wide range of operational characteristics. One combination recently resulted in a transistor oscillating stably at 225 megacycles.

## Study Army's Use Of Electronics In Korea

A grour of prominent industrialists and scientists has just completed a three-weeks tour of Korea studying problems involved in the Army's utilization of electronics. Their report is expected to give industry and government a better idea of how more effective electronic equipment, of maximum reliability, can be built for battlefield use.

## U.S. Lifts Controls

## On Engineer Salaries

The nation's 400,000 engineers employed in a professional capacity are among millions of workers brought out from under wage and salary controls by amendments to the Defense Production Act effective July 1.
The Salary Stabilization Board has issued an interpretation, defining 'professional engineer'. Qualifications include holding a college degree or license to practice.

- Non-engineers-SSB warns that technicians, no matter how highly skilled, advisers on sales promotion, business methods and operations are not to be considered engineers. Nor are persons simply designated as engineers, such as stationary, maintenance, sales, management or administrative engineers. Physicists, chemist, mathematicians and others in scientific fields are not classified as professional engineers either, even though their work may be closely related to engineering.


## Set Manufacturers Eye Growing Hi-Fi Market

## Increasing public demand at-

 tracts more radio companies; some continue waryIncreased interest of StrombergCarlson, Hallicrafters and Pilot in the high-fidelity field is causing other manufacturers to take a closer look at the market. It is reported that General Electric will also introduce a new line of hi-fi equipment this year.

- High Interest—Companies pushing for highly specialized hi-fi business list several reasons for their action. Stromberg-Carlson says that current public interest is 'tremendous.' New York dealers report annual sales increases of 60
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## 9 good reasons

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percent in the past two years and dealers elsewhere report demand for 'custom' sound equipment outrunning their ability to make immediate delivery.

Hallicrafters noted the growing demand for hi-fi last year when they found that their shortwave receivers were being used as hi-fi system components. As a result, a full line of high-fidelity amplifiers was introduced at the recent Audio Fair in Chicago.

Pilot, too, found public demand growing and is now selling a line of amplifiers, tuners and pre-amplifiers on a national basis.

- Market Potential-It has been estimated that there are now about 500,000 hi-fi enthusiasts in the U. S. Manufacturers say that most of them are located around the so called 'cultural centers' of the country, such as New York, Chicago and Los Angeles. As much as 25 percent of the total 1951 national
sales volume of about $\$ 14$ million was probably done in the New York area. Total national sales volume this year is expected to reach at least $\$ 15$ million.
- Future Outlook-Some proponents feel that hi-fi systems will eventually replace standard radio combinations, which continue to lose ground to television. They say that television combinations cannot meet the needs of the growing number of fidelity-conscious people and still remain competitive in price.

Even RTMA recently noted the tendency of manufacturers to order larger and heavier loud speakers. They also predict that before long the hi-fi market will become a more important market factor.

But many manufacturers are still wary. Some remember the unprofitable experience of standard-set manufacturers who entered and soon left the field a few years ago.


## Tiny Antennas Read Dot Braille

Duplicating machine demonstrated in London senses words dotted in Brailled sheet and makes corresponding holes in tape that then serves as a stencil. Printer that uses solid plastic ink then readily creates new copies for the blind. Dots shift phase of 30 -me signal emitted by tiny antennos. Phasitron tube in each sensing head detects shifts and sends appropriate signals to perforator

## Industry Proposes New Spare-Parts Code

## Urges military to delegate spare-parts selection power to contractors

Outcome of current confabs between industrial and military leaders over procurement of spare parts for concurrent delivery with electronic equipment may be appointment of a joint military-industry committee to prepare uniform spare-parts policies for the three services.
-Industry's Gripe-Concerned over the collective black-eye handed the industry by equipment malfunctioning due to lack of spare parts, industry representatives generally indict the military for impeding concurrent delivery through contract red tape.

Industry men suggest five alternate spare-parts procurement plans:

- Precontract selection by govern-ment-In repeat-production contracts, the parts required would be spelled-out specifically in the original contract.
- Selection of equipment spares by contractor-In first-run contracts, the contractor would supply with the equipment those parts peculiar to it. Stock spares, designated by the government, would be furnished later.
- Selection of all spares by con-tractor-Where all spares must be delivered with the equipment, the contractor would take full responsibility for choosing and procuring the needed parts.
- Selection of all spares by govern-ment-This method, similar to that now in use, would be used only with the understanding that concurrent delivery of equipment and spare parts is not promised.

Industry representatives have stipulated that the proposed spareparts regulations provide for government review when the contractor has power of initial selection, subject, however, to compensation of the contractor following either a
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"Designing for Shock Resistance" sets forth the principles used by the Navy Department in design of shock-proof equipment for shipboard applications. Published in "Machine Design" Dec. 1950 - Jan. 1951.
"Shock Testing of Airborne Electronic Equipment" describes the characteristics of shock and tells how shock testing machines are used. A paper presented at the Dayton Airborne Electronics Conference, 1951; later reprinted in "Tele-Tech".
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change-order or partial contract termination.
Industry men further urge that design changes in spares be negotiated simultaneously with equipment design changes, that spare-parts paperwork be greatly simplified in the interests of economy and efficiency and that the proposed regulations be devoid of contractual aspects.

- Military reaction-Some Pentagon brass take a dim view of industry's proposals, feeling that contractors might seize upon the proposed ground-rule changes to pad contracts and furnish spare parts derived from sweeping-up the floor.

Industry has attempted to allay these fears by pointing out the integrity and technical competence of known electronic equipment manufacturers.

Since military departments maintain substantial stocks of standard component parts and have adequate means to determine useage rates, a possible solution to a deadlock might be to exclude standard parts from provisioning chores and permit the contractor to select those spare parts peculiar to the equipment.


## Eye-Size X-Ray Tube

Used for irradiating a transplanted cornea, this 4.5 by $1.4-\mathrm{cm} X$-ray tube developed by Philips is said to be the smallest ever made. Gold coating inside the beryllium window is the anode and layer in which $X$-rays are generated by a variable $25-\mathrm{kw}$ generator. The tube may be useful industrially for checking defects in very light metals

## Navy Receivers Fail Tropics Test

## Jungle moisture and fungus affect components even when specially treated

REPORT on a four-year study of Navy communications receivers in a tropical jungle indicates that none of the equipment studied is capable of giving prolonged, dependable service under tropical conditions. Navy scientists found no evidence to indicate that use of fungicidal varnish either prolonged the life or increased the reliability of treated equipment.

Eighteen receivers were tested by the Office of Naval Research at the laboratory's tropical exposure station in Panama. Eight receivers were uncoated while the other ten were treated with moisture and fungus-proofing varnish.

Only two of the eighteen receivers survived forty-four months of exposure without requiring com-
ponent replacement, complete realignment, or both. Excluding vacuum tubes, power units, resistors, potentiometers, and mica capacitors were the principal sources of trouble.

- Design Recommendations - Significant recommendations include the elimination of fungus-susceptible materials such as natural-fiber cable lacings, cotton insulation, cellulosic plastics, and vinyls containing susceptible plasticizers; development of flexible glass-to-plastic bonding cements or non-welling plastics for meter cases and tube sockets.

Because ferrous parts rust severely, particularly on areas where condensed moisture can accumulate, such parts should be thoroughly protected. Conventional pigmented finishes, in addition to cadmium plating or other surface treatment, are recommended.

## TV Tube Trend Still Far From Stable

## Status of tv tube production not affected by expected expansion in cobalt output

New cobalt recovery process developed by Chemical Construction Corporation, which promises to expand cobalt supplies in the near future, will have little immediate effect in determining trends in picture-tube focus methods.

According to major tube manufacturers, even with present short cobalt supplies magnetic-focus tube production still leads electrostatic output by about 3 to 1 .

- Conservation-At the beginning of the Korean War, tube manufacturers stepped up conservation methods for critical metals and started production of electrostaticfocus tubes saving about 5 ounces of Alnico-5 on each tv set made. (Electronics, April, 1951, p 85) But shortages due to expected in-
creases in defense production have not materialized to the extent anticipated. This, coupled with the general decrease in tv sales during the past year, has made conservation less urgent.

Other factors too, have conditioned the expected trend to electrostatic focus. As one tube manufacturer put it, "We are in a buyer's market now and have to produce what our customers want. Right now, most of them want magnetic-focus tubes."

- Opinion-Of six leading tv-set producers, four use magnetic focus almost exclusively in their new receivers. They indicate that one of the reasons for the continued use of the magnetic-focus tube, is that they are more familiar with it and prefer it as long as adequate materials are available.

Most tube and set manufacturers
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THE ELECTRO MOTIVE MFG. CO., INC.
think that the present status of magnetic and electrostatic-focus tube production is not likely to remain stable. A wholesale shift to electrostatic focus could take place almost overnight if increased conservation were necessary or if further technical and competitive developments take place. Until such factors develop, the magnetic-focus picture tube will predominate.

## Potentiometer Makers Plan Standardization

Growing precision potentiometer industry is developing a standardization program to facilitate quantity production of such components.

First steps are directed toward standardizing physical dimensions and mechanical accuracies where it
is felt that selections can now be made to satisfy 70 to 80 percent of the users. Plans for standardizing terminology and definitions which will permit all manufacturers and users to converse on a common basis are also in progress.

Groups representing the military and other users are at work on the program but completion is not expected for several months.

## What's Behind the Figures-TV Audience

Sixth of a series outlining background of statistics printed in "Figures of the Month"

The sixth listing on the monthly statistics page (p 4), under the heading TV Audience is a count of television receivers actually in use, as compiled by the Sales Planning and Research staff of the NBC TV Network. The figures represent the receiver count as of the first of the month indicated at the top of each column.

The accompanying chart, which shows the trend of the tv audience from October 1950 to the present, shows a steady increase in the total count, despite the limitation imposed by the freeze on new tv stations.

The number of sets served by stations having network connections has paralleled the total count, with a notable sharp increase between August and September of
1951. This coincided with the opening of the transcontinental microwave relay, which added nearly two million receivers to the network.
-Saturation-One evidence of saturation is the set count in New York City, now three million strong. Early in 1951 sets in use in this city were increasing at the rate of nearly 100,000 per month. After the summer doldrums, the rate picked up again to about 80,000 per month at the end of 1951 , but is now only 40,000 per month.

An interesting comparison is that between Chicago and Los Angeles. Chicago and its suburbs, with a population roughly 50 percent greater than Los Angeles and suburbs, has fewer tv sets than Los Angeles ( $1,160,000$ vs $1,200,000$ in June, 1952.
This may possibly be explained by the greater choice of programs in Los Angeles, which has seven outlets to Chicago's four.


As of June there were 94,000 sets estimated in use in Canada and Mexico not tallied in the NBC totals. These included 55,000 sets in Canada served by Buffalo, 36,000 in Canada served by Detroit, and 2,500 in Matamoros, Mexico.

## How Good Is Russian Radar?

## Indications are that the Soviets possess quantities of effective equipment

An Associated Press dispatch datelined Seoul, April 6, listed UN air losses in the Korean campaign as 622 exclusive of naval aircraft. Of this total, 490 planes were lost to ground fire.

World War II air losses due to ground fire seldom exceeded three
percent of total losses. Although the entire increase cannot be definitely credited to assistance from Soviet radar equipment neither can the 80 percent loss to ground-fire be attritbuted solely to North Korean and Chinese marksmanship.

- Four Design Sources - Soviet electronic equipment obviously derives from four sources: (1) native Russian developments, (2)
study of British and American equipment prototypes furnished under the lend-lease program, (3) developments based upon captured German equipment and the work of German scientists captured by Russian forces, and finally, (4) purchase of commercially available equipment adaptable to military use.

A study of Russian technical
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Also in New Hampshire is the Marion Electrical Instrument Company - located in one of the historic Amoskeag Mill buildings in Manchester. Not far from Boston (Mass.) on your way to the White Mountains, Manchester offers excellent stop-over facilities. To customers and friends alike we say - this summer mix business with pleasure . . vacation in New Hampshire and be sure to visit us at Marion and see how fine instruments are made.
books and magazine indicates that the technology of both radar and television are well understood by Soviet scientists. In fact, characteristically, they claim to have developed the art some 50 years ago. Photographs showing tv factory interiors are indistinguishable from those of our own factories. It is no stretch of credibility to presume these production lines are perhaps paralleled by others turning out electronic-warfare devices. Specifically, Russian technical literature deals at length with magnetrons, acorn tubes and other high-frequency components that provide the building blocks for microwave ranging equipment.

- Ape Anglo-American - Russian radar engineering texts carefully avoid reference to operational Soviet equipment or to electronic equipment of Russian design. Discussion is confined mainly to British and American equipment.

Early-warning and land-warfare equipment described is of the early British type, while naval radar follows American pattern.


## Phototube Sales Rise

Phototube dollar sales volume has tripled since World War II and is expected to reach $\$ 1.9$ million by the end of this year.

Equipment manufacturers were the leading customers during the first quarter of 1952.

# Instruction-Manual Writing Is Big Business 

## Four percent of the cost of new electronic equipment goes in to the preparation of manuals

Writing technical instruction books for the armed services is big business. Just how big, military people aren't saying, but men who should know guesstimate that 4 percent of the total cost of new military electronic equipment is represented by preparation cost of the operating and servicing manual to accompany the equipment.

Material procurement contracts let by all three services generally require the manufacturer to be responsible in some degree for preparation of manuals. At present, most prime contractors do their own technical writing. This is because contracts placed during the initial phase of rearmament went chiefly to large manufacturers maintaining their own writers. However, even the big boys find it necessary to call in outside talent for illustrating and art-layout chores.
-Preparation Costs - Per page costs for military manual preparation run between $\$ 70$ and $\$ 125$. Costs vary considerably with the complexity of the equipment, the availability of necessary technical data, and with engineering changes made during production. The latter factor is especially important since contracts often contain a continuing requirement for manual revision to reflect the latest equipment design changes.

One rule of thumb for estimating nanual preparation cost is to allow $\$ 100$ for each electron tube in the equipment.
-Writing Services-A survey of 58 technical writing services experienced in government work reveals that large, well-established concerns handle most of the business, although there is plenty of incidental work to sustain a multitude of small firms.

About one-third of the writing firms listed in Dun and Bradstreet

entered the field during the last war. Many top men in the newer concerns got their start with one outfit that during World War II established technical writing as a full-time business. Most of the larger firms have some well-established peacetime stock-in-trade. Publishers, printers, advertising men and consulting engineers have invaded the field. Recently two of the largest electronic manufacturing firms have begun to accept outside work for their technical writing departments.

Personnelwise, the largest writing firms employ from 100 to 250 men, while most smaller outfits a staff of under 25.

Geographically, the metropolitan New York area encompasses the bulk of the technical-writing business. Several Detroit firms, long engaged in writing for the automotive industry, have recently turned their talents to the electronics field.
-Navy-The three-way split in Navy electronics procurement carries over to technical instruction books. The bulk of land-based and sea-going electronic equipment is procured by the Bureau of Ships. The Bureau of Aeronautics takes care of airborne electronic equipment, while certain special equipment such as fire-control radar (Continued on page 22)

comes under the Bureau of Ordnance.

Since every naval vessel must be largely self-sufficient at sea, the Bureau of Ships requires that a single all-inclusive instruction manual accompany each item of equipment. The manufacturer of the gear is responsible not only for preparation of the book but for printing and distribution as well.
Four handbooks are required for each piece of airborne equipment, namely: operator's handbook, servicing handbook, overhaul handbook and illustrated parts breakdown. Since these books are distributed to activities and squadrons according to technical requirements, a complete set of books is not needed for each equipment. The Bureau of Aeronautics, therefore, requires only that the manufacturer furnish reproducible copy and takes care of printing and distribution itself.

The Bureau of Ordnance has no hard-and-fast rule concerning instruction book procurement. Generally, in the case of fire-control radar, the manufacturer furnishes an instruction-book manuscript for each equipment prototype. Bureau officials, however, see definite advantages in having the instruction
book prepared by a "third party" not too intimately involved in the equipment's technology.

- Air Force-The Air Material Command at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base is generally responsible for buying and contract approval. However, under a decentralized procurement policy, each air-district headquarters is responsible for procurement of equipment and books from manufacturers located within the district.

In general, the Air Force policy regarding instruction books is similar to that of the navy's air arm.
-Signal Corps-Most army electronic equipment comes under Signal Corps auspices. The Signal Corps Publication Agency, Fort Monmouth, N. J., has 245 men engaged in technical writing. The Army prefers to have the manufacturer furnish reproducible copy from which a technical manual may be prepared.

In certain instances, a manufacturer's instruction book finds interim use as a technical manual. However, when an equipment manual is destined for field or training use it is usually rewritten, printed and distributed by the Signal Corps.

## TV Export Volume Increasing

Monthly shipments of tv sets increase in first quarter. More new markets expected this year
Despite technical difficulties and foreign trade restrictions, some U.S. inventory-burdened tv producers are finding a profitable and growing market abroad, especially in countries of the Western Hemisphere.

Indicative of the growth of foreign tv sales is the fact that this year U.S. ty sets exported rose from 3,650 in January to 7,377 in March for a quarterly total of 16,107 sets worth $\$ 3,053,598$.

Leading markets for sets, according to Department of Commerce figures, are Cuba, Mexico, Brazil and Argentina.

- Export Problems-Exports are not accomplished without difficulty. Manufacturers have found that countries such as Mexico, Argentina and Brazil increase import restrictions as their own manufacturing facilities develop. Now, the only countries in the Western Hemisphere where complete U. S. tv receivers are accepted without restriction are Cuba and Canada.

The solution for most U.S. tv manufacturers is the establishment of assembly plants in foreign countries, although even this is not being permitted by some governments.

- Potential Markets-By the end of 1952 it is expected that at least five new areas operating with U.S. standards will be active markets. Station operation is expected in the
capital of the Dominican Republic in August and Caracas, Venezuela plans to have its station operating in November. In addition to Montreal and Toronto, which expect to be telecasting on a regular schedule by September, Hawaii is another market using U.S. tv standards that plans to have a station in operation this year.

With these new markets opening this year and others in such countries as Peru, Uruguay, Columbia, Puerto Rico, Chile and Guatemala expected in the near future, the outlook for tv receiver marketing abroad is promising.

## British Firm Announces 'Junior GCA' Radar

An inexpensive ground-controlapproach radar system will soon be available to medium-size airfields for around $\$ 28,000$. The new equipment uses ppi scan, has a range of 15 to 20 miles. Takeoffs and landings at the rate of one every two minutes have been achieved under instrument conditions, using an early model of the equipment.

Flexibility is such that fast jet aircraft can be slipped past slowflying transports while on their final approaches. According to manufacturer A. C. Cossor, airplanes can be tracked easily to within $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of touchdown, and weather minimums of 200 ft and $\frac{1}{2}$-mile visibility are considered safe.

## Dry-Disk Rectifiers Invade New Markets

COPPER-OXIDE and selenium rectifiers, once considered useful only at power-line frequency, are being used at higher and higher frequen. cies.

Applications are mostly in the audio and low radio-frequency ranges, up to 50 kilocycles. At least one manufacturer, however, has
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- Other Applications-In one electronic dictating machine, selenium works well in an automatic-volume-control circuit used to minimize 'blasting.' Germanium diodes formerly used varied greatly in reverse resistance with change of temperature. Selenium enjoys considerably less drift with heating. Further advantage of this characteristic is taken by another company, using selenium rectifiers as detectors in aircraft beacon radio receivers subject to extremes of temperature as well as vibration.

Instrument manufacturers are rediscovering the stability of cop-per-ovide rectifiers and are using them in audic, volume level and db meters, where maintenance of calibration is an important factor.

## Industrial TV Aids Landing Aircraft

Industrial television may find widespread application as an airsafety aid if experiments at Washington National Airport prove successful.

Used to observe landings during bad weather, a tv camera located at the runway threshold picks up the plane as it drops out of the overcast, permitting control-tower personnel to determine the pilot's slantheight visibility. Similarly, runway surface visibility may be determined.
Taking up where airport-surveillance radar and ground-control-approach systems leave off, landing $t-v$ is the final link in all-electronic air navigation.

- Results Being Checked-The airport experiment is jointly sponsored by the U.S. Weather Bureau and the Air Navigation Development Board. Television slantheight information is being corre-


Televising a foul-weather landing from runway threshold at Washington National Airport
lated with visual observations and photoelectric measurements of the air's optical density.

The tv system is operated by WTTG engineers, using a DuMont camera chain and remote truck with a $5,700-\mathrm{mc}$ radio link to monitors located on the weather observation deck and in the control tower. Operational installations would probably use coaxial cable links.

Evaluation of the experiment so far indicates that the system is comparable to visual observation with perhaps a 10 -percent safety factor. In its present form the system is not useful at night.

## Electronics Industry Wages Average $\$ 1.36$

## Hourly earnings range from $\$ 1.19$ for solderers to $\$ 2.13$ for

 tool-and-die makersRadio, television and radar production workers average $\$ 1.36$ an hour, according to the latest industry wage study (November) made by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in Washington.

- Job Categories - Tool-and-die makers earn the top average hourly wage of $\$ 2.13$, solderers the lowest of $\$ 1.19$. About one-fourth of the jobs fall within the "skilled" category and pay average wages of $\$ 1.80$ or more an hour for class-A machine-tool operators, maintenance electricians and machinists, machine-tool set-up men, and class-A testers and welders.

Two-fifths of the workers are in more routine jobs, such as class-C assemblers, inspectors, wirers, coil winders, solderers and janitors. Their average hourly earnings are below $\$ 1.30$.

More than 38,000 routine assemblers, the largest single block of workers, average $\$ 1.20$ an hour. Class-C wirers, next largest job classification with 9,000 workers, average $\$ 1.21$.

- Regional Rates-New England averages are below national averages for all job groups. Hourly earnings for all production workers there average $\$ 1.16$. The Great Lakes and Pacific regions are well above New England job rates.

Most of the plants studied were on a 40 -hour-a-week work schedule. Typically, six or seven paid holidays a year are granted. Most plants give a week's paid vacation after one year's service and more than two-fifths of the workers get two weeks after three years.

## Tube Market Over One Billion

ONE out of every fifteen tv sets now in use will need a new picture tube by the end of this year, according to GE.

About $1,100,000$ picture tubes worth $\$ 44,000,000$ and $110,000,000$ receiving tubes worth $\$ 220,000,000$ will be sold for television and radio replacement purposes in 1952.

More than $950,000,000$ receiving tubes are now operating in tv receivers and home and car radios. This total is expected to pass the one billion mark within the next few weeks.

## Cash Awards for Educational TV

As an incentive to establishment of noncommercial educational tv stations, Ben Abrams, president of Emerson Radio and Phonograph Corp., has announced a grant of (Continued on page 26)


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$\$ 100,000$. Equal sums of $\$ 10,000$ will go to each of the first ten such stations to get a test pattern on the air. State universities and municipally operated stations will not be eligible for the awards.

At the same time, Mr. Abrams proposed the formation of a cooperative organization that would include educators, industrialists, artists and public leaders to further the cause of educational tv. He set as his goal a $\$ 5$ million fund to help fill the 242 channels allocated by FCC for schools and colleges.

## HomeRadio-TVOutlook Healthy for Decade

## Serviceman requirements may double; parts business triple by end of 1961

Keeping Up with America's home radio and television needs will take a steadily increasing segment of the electronics industry's personnel and equipment-at least for the next ten years, according to Sylvania's Fred Mansfield.

Statistical analyses predict almost 50 million sets in use by the end of 1961-an increase of three times over today's figure. Radio sets in use will increase from the present 59 million to around 62 million during the same period.
-Service and Parts-To build, sell, install and maintain this increasing number of sets, more men and companies are expected to enter the field, while those already involved will expand their efforts.

One serviceman can service 780 radio homes or 125 television homes, according to Mansfield, or he can install 250 television sets. Accordingly, in ten years there would be a need for more than twice as many servicemen if service requirements remained essentially as they are today.

In 1952 the radio-tv parts business is estimated at $\$ 500$ million. In the next four years this firure may double, and by the end of 1961 parts business could pass the $\$ 1.5$ billion mark.

## MEETINGS

Aug. 11-21: Congress of U.R.S.I. Sydney, Australia.

Aug. 12-15: 1952 APCO Conference, Hotel Whitcomb, San Francisco, Calif.
AUG. 15-16: Emporium Section, IRE, Annual Summer Seminar, Emporium, Pa.
Aug. 10-22: AIEE Pacific General Meeting, Phoenix, Ariz.
AUG. 26-30: Australian IRE Radio Engineering Convention, Sydney, Australia.
Aug. 27-29: Western Electronic Show and Conference, Municipal Auditorium, Long Beach, Calif.
Aug. 27-Sept. 6: British National Radio Show, Earls Court, London.
Sept. 5-7: Fourth Preconference ISA Instrument Maintenance Clinic, Cleveland, Ohio.
Sept. 8-10: American Standards Association, Third National Standardization Conference, Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago, Ill.
SEPT. 8-12: National Instrument Conference and Exhibit, Cleveland, Ohio.
Sept. 10-12: Convocation of the Centennial of Engineering, Congress Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
Sept. 20: Cedar Rapids Section, IRE, Communications Conference, Roosevelt Hotel, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
Sept. 22-25: NEDA Third Annual Convention and Manufacturers' Conference, Ambassador, Atlantic City, N. J.
Sept. 29-Oct. 1: Eighth Annual National Erectronic Conference and Extibition, Hotel Sherman, Chicago, Ill.

Oct. 1-3: Canadian Electrical Manufacturers Association, General Brock Hotel, Niagara Falls, Ont.
Oct. 6-8: NAED, Fall Meeting of the Pacific Zone, Hotel del Coronado, Coronado, Calif.
Oct. 13-17: AIEE, Fall General Meeting, New Orleans, La.
Oct. 20-22: Radio Fall Meeting, RTMA Engineering Department, Hotel Syracuse, Syracuse, N. Y.
Oct. 20-24: National Metals Show, Philadelphia Auditorium, Philadelphia, Pa.
Ост. 26-29: NAED, Meeting of Board of Governors, Grove Park Inn, Asheville, N. C.
Oct. 28-30: AIEE Middle Eastern District Meeting, Commodore Perry Hotel, Toledo, Ohio.
Nov. 5-7: Sixteenth Annual Time and Motion Study and Management Clinic, Sheraton Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
Nov. 10-13: NEMA, Haddon Hall, Atlantic City, N. J.
Nov. 10-30: International Radio and Electronics Exhibition, Bombay, India.
Nov. 17-18: AIEE, Techniçl Conference on Recording and Controlling Instruments, Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa .
Nov. 19: American Standards Association, 34th Annual Meeting, Waldorf Astoria, N. Y.

Jan. 14-16, 1953: Joint AIEEIRE Conference on High Frequency Measurement, Washington, D. C.

## Business Briefs

- Signal Corps Aviation Center recently set up at Fort Monmouth, N. J. to work closely with the Electronic Warfare Center and Signal Corps Engineering Labs in this section, will study and develop the use of microwave and vhf radio relay in helicopters and the use of television, communications and navigational equipment in aircraft.
- Since the outbreak of the Korean incident, the production of military electronics equipment has increased seven times, according to John R. Steelman, defense mobilizer; 95 percent of the items currently being produced were put into production since the opening of hostilities in June 1950.
- Gun-Type high-frequency heater is being used experimentally for glueing wallboard to building studs, eliminating the conventional nails.
- Proposals from contractors for simplifying the design of electronic equipment are being sought by the Electronics Design and Development Division of the Bureau of Ships.
- West German Radio and Television Exhibition in Duesseldorf has been postponed until Feb. 8, 1953 because the North-West German Broadcasting Company does not expect to be telecasting regularly until that time. However, the German Radio Industry will exhibit at the German Industrial Fair, in Berlin, August 22 to 31, 1952.


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For Bulletin 618 describing these instruments write The Brush Development Co., Dept. K-33, 3405 Perkins Avenue, Cleveland 14, Ohic. Representatives located throughout the U. S. In Canada: A. C. Wickman Limited, Toronto.


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Horizontal.
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22 volts rms/inch 22 volts rms/inch

SWEEP
Range- $\mathbf{T}$ riggerec or recurrent - 2 cycles to 30 kc (may be extended downwards by adt ing external capacity across panel lacks).
Sync- $\pm$ Irternal, $\pm$ line and -Ext. (requires -.3 volts peak to peak for ex
ternal sync) Sweep Expansi

PHASE SHIFT-Negligible phase shift between amplifiers from 0 to 300 kc
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# Aid or Trade? A CRISIS AHEAD 

Acrisis in the foreign trade relations of the United States is in the offing. It is a crisis caused by:

1. Efforts of producers in friendly nations to earn more dollars by increasing exports to the United States, and
2. Efforts of industries in the United States which would be hurt by competition from these imports to keep them out.

This crisis is a threat to the effectiveness of American leadership in the crucial effort to build the nations of the free world into a strong and unified group. It is the purpose of this editorial to advocate a constructive approach to the difficult situation that is developing.

## Background of the Crisis

Most countries in the free world-with American aid-have managed to push their outputs well above prewar levels. As they have done so, they have been urged by our highest government officials to increase their exports to us. Sales in our market enable these countries to earn dollars which they use in turn to buy the products of America's farms and factories. Thus, as they become self-supporting, the need of American aid is reduced.

But as these efforts to export more to the United States have promised increasing success, competitive American producers have become increasingly alarmed about what that success might do to them. Consequently, they are seeking more protection-by appeals to the U. S. Tariff Commission to recommend higher import duties and by appeals to Congress for new laws to discourage imports.

## Our Friends Protest

A year ago Congress answered one of these appeals by imposing a quota on imports of dairy products. Now, among many other legislative proposals being strenuously pressed is a move to extend the scope of "Buy American" legislation. A year ago the U. S. Tariff Commission had only four petitions for increased import duties on its docket. Since then fourteen more petitions have been filed and others are definitely on the way.
Faced by these mounting efforts to block the sale of their products in the American market, no less than eleven friendly nations, including Great Britain, France, Italy, Canada, the Netherlands, Switzerland and Denmark, have filed protests with our State Department. Through many of the protests runs one refrain. Although stated in diplomatic language, it might be correctly paraphrased to say: "In
sending us aid you have made it very clear that you want us to get on a self-supporting basis at the earliest possible moment. But, when we begin to make headway in that direction by trying to sell you more of the things we are equipped to produce, you start closing your market to us." The threat of European resentment against the United States being stirred up by this argument is obviously great.

At the same time there exist grounds for special resentment in the United States against certain prospective imports of European manufactured goods - those of machine tools, for example. In part these will be produced with machinery that has been sent to Europe as part of our economic aid program. With absolutely no diplomatic language involved, the argument, which will be extended much farther than the facts would justify, will run: "We gave those people the equipment that they now use to cut our throats!" This line of argument will find response among workers as well as employers in industries faced by more competition from imports. Labor, too, is keen for protection against more foreign competition.

## Aid or Trade?

As between continuing direct economic aid to Europe or accepting the imports that would make those countries self-supporting, some would prefer to continue the aid program. They argue that the tax machinery of the federal government can spread the burden of aid broadly, while we have no comparable machinery that can cushion the shock to individual industries, firms and communities that may result from stepped-up imports of competitive products.

As we see it, this position is untenable. It would make rubbish of our Atlantic Charter promise ". . . to further the enjoyment by all States, great or small, victor or vanquished, of access, on equal terms, to the trade and to the raw materials of the world which are needed for their economic prosperity." It would be an admission that, for all our profession of faith in competition and our opposition to

European cartels, we really don't believe in competition.

## U. S. Self-Interest

The people of this country have invested billions of dollars and seven years of hard work in the attempt to put our allies on a selfsupporting basis. If we keep their goods out by raising trade barriers, we are directly defeating our own purposes.

Also, in moving to protect some groups of American producers we should be hurting others. For many American producers the export market, which this year will take about $\$ 14$ billion of civilian goods, spells the difference between operating at capacity and closing down $25 \%$ of their facilities. When we discourage imports we cut off dollar earnings by other nations which are spent here to keep some of our factories and farms going.

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There is no neat and simple prescription by which this can be done, but several possibilities have been suggested. One on which there is general agreement is that tariff reductions should be gradual. To cushion their impact, the government might well give preference on defense orders to industries and areas adversely affected by an increased volume of imports. Direct assistance to workers and companies in shifting to different lines of business may be worth consideration.

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| Resistance | CTS Pam | JAN-R-94 TYPE | CTS Shaft Type LT-1 |
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# CROSS <br> TALK 

- TREND . . . Continued sluggishness of government orders is causing many manufacturers to reexamine their civilian-market prospects. Recent easing of material restrictions permits increased production. It may be, therefore, that moving merchandise rather than building it will be the major problem for the balance of the year.

One way to move merchandise is to increase sales pressure. Another is to bring merchandise within the reach of more people by simplifying design and thus reducing price. And there are signs that the second method is being widely considered along with the first, which puts the engineer right in the driver's seat along with the salesman.

Commercial radar units stripped down to bare essentials have been announced. Computers that won't put out the cat but will perform a few important functions are coming along. In the test-equipment field, particularly, examples of simplified design have been seen in many a back room.

- WORDS . . . Wiring may be printed, etched, stamped or deposited in a variety of ways. Component parts used in conjunction with such wiring may be similarly fabricated or may be of conventional construction. Combinations of wiring and parts are frequently called printed circuits, and this
phrase obviously leaves much to be desired in the way of precise description.

Wiring alone can be readily identified by using the proper adjective telling how it is made, or the whole new group of machinemade wiring boards, panels or chassis could be classified as "mechanized" wiring. But when parts as well as wires are involved the phrase "mechanized circuits" falls short of ideal. For one thing, conventional wiring or cabling and parts can be combined by mechanical means, solder dipping or other automatic assembly methods. For another, some embedment processes are mechanized circuits in a cense.

What should we call printed circuits when they are not actually printed?

- COLOR . . . Several engineers engaged in a high-echelon study of television recently had their eyes tested and turned out to be color blind. This brings up a number of questions that will have to be answered before polychrome pictures progress much farther.
Will men designing transmitters and receivers have to take tests similar to those given railroad engineers? Will factory people on final test periodically sort out bits of colored yarn and pretty beads? Will thousands of servicemen sud-
denly find themselves occupationally handicapped because they don't know mauve from magenta? And what about the consumer whose specs are not color corrected?

We're going to rush right out and get a checkup. We need new cheaters because of the increasing demands of our own occupation anyway.

- WEDDING . . . Motor-generator sets scarcely classify as electronic devices but when they are used to heat metals by induction then they are at least a bridesmaid.

The link is very close indeed in experimental units now being designed for the machine-tool industry. Here $\mathrm{m}-\mathrm{g}$ sets turning out 9,600-cycle power are first used to preheat parts and then tube-powered generators delivering 200 kilocycle power finish up the job.

In this application it is hard to tell which is the bridesmaid and which is the bride, a not uncommon condition in our field since electronics works so closely with so many other things.

- ACHIEVEMENT . . . Transistors have definitely arrived. If anyone needs any proof it is afforded by the fact that the little germanium jiggers were recently mentioned by Chris Welkin, Planeteer, nationally syndicated comic-strip scientist.


FIG. 1-Simple circuit diagram for thyratron-controlled electromagnetic system (A) and grid control via hand-capacitance bridge (B)

FIG. 2-Practical direct a-c type thyratron circuit free from mechanical contacts. Thyratrons are connected in push-pull arrangement

# Electronic Drums 

# Tube-timed drums can develop much higher beat rates, with beats having more abrupt acoustical wavefronts than can be generated conventionally. Volleys of beats can be repeated indefinitely with precision and without change in quality 

TWo ways of using a solenoidactuated plunger to obtain drum beats have been developed.* One system uses contacts on a plunger with a single thyratron. The other uses a pair of thyratrons without plunger contacts. A coder can repeat a volley of drum hits.

Several techniques are possible for the input circuits. With the system shown in Fig. 1A, the performer uses one, two or three fingers to operate a feather-light contact spring $S$ to generate voltage pulses. The pulses operate the output stage $O$ driving the electromagnetic system LMP. Finger operation, although effortless in terms of the driving power of the spring contact $S$, is just as tiresome in the long run as the conventional, manual drum-stick operation.

Figure 1B shows a hand-capacitance bridge $C Z_{1} Z_{2} Z_{3} E^{\prime}$ used to eliminate the work represented by the driving power of the spring. Moving one or more fingers in the air causes unbalance of the bridge and a pulse output to be im-

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proved by pulse-shaping networks.
While 60 -cycle operation of the bridge is possible with the impedances $Z_{1} Z_{2}$ resistive and $Z_{3}$ capacitive, better results have been obtained with 400 -cycle operation and phase compensation.

## Pulse Forming

The main problem in electronic operation of a drum lies in the forming of proper pulse-power output and the utilization of this output under high-efficiency conditions in an oscillating electromechanical system of required transient response. This response should be characterized by short rise and decay time and freedom from jitter, overshoot and multiple hits.

There are two reasons for multiple hits on single pulses generated via the switch $S$. One consists of undesirable transient response and the other of power-supply pulsations when a-c or poorly filtered d-c is used.

The first experimental model built consisted of a class-C, pushpull beam-tube circuit, which was discarded because of insufficient output. The second model at first utilized one thyratron tube (2050 or 2D21) in the circuit shown in Fig. 1 and yielded good efficiency and sufficient output. In the accompanying photograph, the electromagnetic moving system can be seen on top of the drum (it may be mounted inside the drum) and the electronic circuit chassis on the bottom of the U-shaped wooden rack, serving as support and transport case.

The electromechanical system in Fig. 1A consists of a solenoid $L$ surrounded by a bell-shaped laminated iron yoke $M$ of about two inches axial length, inside which a plunger or laminated slug $P$, moves axially. The design is similar to that of a hypothetical field-coil-operated electrodynamic loudspeaker in which the center, cylindrical core would be free to move back and forth in axial direction, sliding in the concentric air gaps of the ends of the cylindrical core.


Operator playing the electronic drum. The electromagnetic system is mounted above the drum diaphragm

The black part of the slug in Fig. 1A is laminated iron, the white part is a brass extension carrying the glove-skin-covered button that hits the diaphragm or drum skin $D$. The stroke is approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ inch. The slug $P$ is spring-loaded away from the drum skin $D$ and just prior to the hit it breaks the contact $S_{\mathrm{r}}$, thus discontinuing the thyratron plate current.

Since the cathode potential restoration is determined by the time constants $R_{1} C_{1}, R_{2} C_{2}$ and that of the moving system with the capacitor $C_{3}$, and since the contact $S$ is only closed a few hundredths of a second, the thyratron will not fire again when the slug approaches its rest position away from the drum skin. The design should be such that one complete cycle of operation has a period shorter than the interval between two sequential pulses on the thyratron tube grid. Actually, the circuit elements $R_{1} C_{1}, C_{2}, C_{3}$ are included to show various ways to infuence the transient performance.

To be useful, the electromagnetic system must have rather uncon-
ventional characteristics, particularly in view of the fact that the power level approaches or exceeds one kilowatt. The proper solution in obtaining precise operation lies basically in the adaptation of nega-tive-feedback principles and essentially in the use of a servo-type loop. Simple circuits in accordance with this principle were tried on the first hard vacuum-tube model but were not found equally applicable to the thyratron model.

## Damping Systems

Good results have been obtained by applying nonlinear mechanical damping to the moving system. With electromagnetic transducers, one method consists of sidewise spring loading of the moving slug with the spring loading released by the magnetic field. In the on stroke, the slug rides free in the well-oiled airgaps, while in the off stroke, the slug rides with high friction. It stops dead against the rubber cushion catching the slug at the end of the OFF stroke.

By use of such methods, it was possible to excite the magnet
forcefully almost during the entire on stroke. The limit is set by the heat dissipation in the coil $L$, causing it to burn out. Coil resistances from 10 to 100 ohms were tried.

Due to the high peak power required by the unit, the power-supply problem is somewhat difficult. Since portable instruments are of interest, power supplies utilizing such sources will have to be designed.

## Improved Version

A new circuit, Fig. 2, was developed to cut in half the uncertainty of the starting time. With this circuit, one of the two push-pull plateconnected tubes will fire each 120th second. Since unfiltered a-c is used, heavy and expensive power-supply components are eliminated. The entire power supply may consist of a line transformer $T$. In both this and the previous circuit, volume is controlled by a series resistor $R_{2}$ of a few hundred ohms in the electromagnet lead.

One of the most important features of the circuit in Fig. 2 is that the switch in series with the electromagnetic system has been eliminated. The unfiltered a-c used extinguishes the thyratrons repeatedly. This circuit has been used with satisfactory results but the accoustical power delivered by the drum was too high for comfortable listening in a living room.
For still larger outputs, needed to operate large bass drums in concert and dance halls, heavier types of thyratrons may be inserted and a heavier line transformer used. The power drawn from the line may then exceed that comfortably handled by a $15-\mathrm{amp}$ house fuse.
One of the recorders, or coders, used in the development work described, consists essentially of a motor-driven drum with spokes which close a switch momentarily during rotation. When used as a signal generator in laboratory experiments, this device produced and repeated endlessly a volley of drum hits.

More reliable recorders may be built in form of magnetic wheels or rings or may utilize reels of magnetic tape. The simplest arrangement is to use a conventional tape recorder, followed by proper pulseshaping circuits.

# New Transistors Give 

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REPRODUCIBILITY, reliability and designability have been major obstacles in the progress of transistor development. During the past two years, measurable progress has been made in reducing these three limitations through improved understanding, new processes and better germanium materials.

The point-contact cartridge-type transistor is shown in a cutaway view in Fig. 1. This general construction was used for all early transistors. The characteristics of a particular transistor, called the

Table I-Reproducibility of PointContact Linear Characteristics

| Element | Range <br> (Sept 1919) | Range <br> (Sept 1951) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $a$ | 4 to 1 | $\pm 20 \%$ |
| $r_{e}$ | 7 to 1 | $\pm 30 \%$ |
| $r_{e}$ | 3 to 1 | $\pm 20 \%$ |
| $r_{b}$ | 7 to 1 | $\pm 25 \%$ |

Table II-Characteristics of M1729 Point-Contact Compared to M1752 Junction

| Type | M 1729 | M 1752 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $r_{e}$ | 120 | 25 |
| $r_{b}$ | 75 | 250 |
| $r_{c}$ | 15,000 | $5 \times 10^{6}$ |
| $a$ | 2.5 | 0.95 |



FIG. 1-Type-A cartridge structure used in earliest transistors
type $A^{2}$, will be used as a reference for measuring results obtainable now with new types under current development.

Physical operation of a type-A point-contact transistor is illustrated in Fig. 2. Two rectifying metal electrodes press down upon the surface of a small die of $n$-type germanium; one electrode is labelled $E$ for emitter the other $C$ for collector. A large-area ohmic contact to the underside of the die of germanium is the base electrode $B$.

Rectifying properties of the emitter and collector electrodes are obtained as a result of the $p-n$ barrier, shown by dotted lines in Fig. 2, existing at the interface between the small $p$-type inserts under each point and the $n$-type bulk material. When the collector is biased in the back direction with a moderately large negative voltage, the collector barrier has relatively high impedance. A small amount of reverse current in the form of electrons flows from the collector to the base as shown by the small black circles.

If the emitter is biased in the forward direction with a few tenths of a volt positive, a current of holes (small open circles) is injected from the emitter region into the $n$-type material. Under the influence of the field set up originally by the initial collector electron current, the holes are swept along to the collector. This action adds a controlled increment of collector current. Because the holes have positive


The M1689 bead-type point-contact transistor, progress in miniaturization
charges, they can lower the potential barrier to electron flow from collector to base and allow several electrons to flow in the collector circuit for every hole entering the collector barrier region.

The ratio of change in collector current to change in emitter current for a fixed collector voltage is the current gain $\alpha$. Alpha may be greater than unity in point-contact transistors. Voltage amplification is obtained also because the collector current flows through a high impedance when the emitter current is injected through a low impedance.

The point-contact transistor has been miniaturized to contain only its bare essentials. Several of the current development types are made in the bead form.

## Junction Type

The $n-p-n$ junction transistor is shown in Fig. 3. A thin layer of $p$-type germanium is formed in the center of a bar of single-crystal $n$-type germanium.

Ohmic nonrectifying contacts are fastened to the three regions as shown. The essential behavior of point-contact and junction-type transistors is similar in many simple respects except for change in conductivity type from $p-n-p$ in the point-contact to $n-p-n$ in the junction type.

If the collector junction is biased in the reverse direction, Fig. 4, so that electrode $C$ is biased positively

# Improved Performance 

Better manufacturing processes and germanium materials have provided greater reliability and reproducibility and improved frequency response. Higher power output and better noise figure for high-sensitivity applications are properties of new types
with respect to electrode $B$, only a small residual back current of holes and electrons will diffuse across the collector barrier as indicated. This reverse current is very much smaller and relatively independent of the collector voltage because the reverse impedance of such bulk carriers is so many times higher than that of the barriers produced near the surface in point-contact transistors.

If the emitter barrier is biased in the forward direction (a few tenths of a volt negative with respect to the base), a relatively large forward current of electrons diffuses from the electron-rich $n$-type emitter body across the reduced emitter barrier into the base region. Practically all of the injected emitter current can diffuse to the collector barrier if the base region is adequately thin so that the injected electrons do not recombine in the $p$-type base region, either in bulk or on the surface.

The injected emitter current is swept through the collector barrier field and collected as an increment of controlled collector current. Very high voltage amplification will result since the electrons are injected through the low forward impedance and collected through the high reverse impedance of bulk-type $p-n$ barriers.

No current gain is possible in the simple bulk structure described and the maximum attainable value of alpha is unity. Because the bulk barriers are so much better rectifiers than the point-surface barriers, the ratio of collector reverse imnedance to emitter forward impedance is many times greater. This
greater ratio offsets the point-contact higher alpha and the junction unit may have much larger gain per stage. ${ }^{1,2,8}$

## Linear Characteristics

In describing reproducibility of transistor characteristics for smallsignal linear applications, statistical averages and ranges for the open-circuit impedances are given. Such a state of control does exist for most transistors under current development. However, such was not the case for old type-A units so that ranges for commensurate fractions of the total family are given for the old units.

A generalized 4-pole network representing the transistor is shown in Fig. 5. Here the input terminals are emitter-base and the output terminals are collector-base. The pair of linear equations shown represent the linear relations between the incremental emitter and collector voltages and currents over a sufficiently small region of the static characteristics. ${ }^{1}$ The opencircuit driving point and transfer impedances of the transistor are the coefficients of the equations. Any one of a large number of equivalent circuits serve to represent the equations. The T circuit shown in Fig. 6 is perhaps the most useful configuration. In this circuit $r_{c}$ represents the a-c forward impedance of the emitter barrier, $r_{c}$ the a-c reverse impedance of the collector barrier, $r_{b}$ the feedback impedance of the bulk germanium common to both, and $a$ is the circuit current gain representing carrier collection and multiplication if any.

The circuit current gain $a$ turns
out to be very nearly equal to the current multiplication factor $\alpha$ of the collector barrier, mentioned previously. Average values for the different elements are given in Fig. 6.

Table I gives the ranges of these parameters for the type $A$ as of September 1949 and the control limits for the same characteristics for new point-contact transistors now under development. The ranges for September 1949 are taken about the average values shown in Fig. 6 for the type-A transistor. The later control limits apply to many different types of point-contact tran-


FIG. 2-Schematic diagram of a pointcontact transistor

Table III—Reliability Status

|  | Sept 19.19 | Sept 1951 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Average Life | $>10,000$ <br> hours | $\begin{gathered} >70,000 \\ \text { hours } \end{gathered}$ |
| Equivalent Temperature Coefficient of $r_{c}$ | $-1 \%$ <br> per $\operatorname{deg} \mathrm{C}$ | $\begin{gathered} -1 / 4 \% \\ \text { per deg } \mathrm{C} \end{gathered}$ |
| Shock | ? | $>20,000 \mathrm{~g}$ |
| Vibration | $\%$ | $\begin{gathered} 20-5,000 \\ \text { cps } \\ \text { negligible } \\ \text { to } 100 \mathrm{~g} \end{gathered}$ |

sistors so that the present average values of these equivalent circuit elements depend upon the type of transistor considered.

Table II shows the average values of the characteristics of the M1729 point-contact video-amplifier transistor, bearing the closest resemblance to the older type-A transistor. For contrast, typical figures for the M1752 junction transistor currently in the developmental stage are shown.

Transistors in the grounded-base connection may be short-circuit unstable if $a>1$ and $r_{b}$ is too large because $r_{b}$ appears as a positive feedback element. ${ }^{1}$ The circuit user of type-A anits in 1949 had approximately a 50 -percent chance of obtaining a short-circuit unstable unit from a large family of type-A units. The M1729 transistor presently under development has all members of its family unconditionally stable.

## Large-Signal Characteristics

In switching and computing applications and other large-signal uses, the transistor characteristics must be controlled over a broad range of variables from cutoff to saturation.

One characteristic common to practically all of the transistor pulse-handling circuits examined to date is the ability of the transistor by virtue of its current gain to present various types of two-state
negative resistance characteristics at any one or all of its pairs of terminals.

## Reliability and Life

Table III is a comparison of reliability for transistors in 1949 and 1951. These estimates are based on extrapolation of survival curves assuming that a known survival law will continue to hold. For the test, the transistors were operated as class-A amplifiers and failure was considered to be the time when the class-A gain had fallen three db or more below its starting value.

For the 1949 figures, the type-A units had been in operation for about 4,000 hours and extrapolation predicted a half-life in excess of 10,000 hours. For the 1951 figures, actual running time was approximately 20,000 hours, giving a more reliable estimate somewhat in excess of 70,000 hours. The units under development now, made with new materials and processes, should be superior in life but it is too early to extrapolate the data.

## Temperature Effects

The collector impedance $r_{0}$ and the current gain $\alpha$ of the transistor are the most sensitive elements to temperature variations. The other elements are much less sensitive over the range from -40 C to +80 C .

The $r_{c}$ of early type-A transistors

Table IV—Miniaturization in Space
and Power Drain

| Volume | Type A <br> Sept 1949 | Sept 1951 | New Types |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $-\frac{1}{50}-\mathrm{in}^{3}$ | $-\frac{1}{2,000} \mathrm{in}^{3}$ | Point M1689 |  |
| Min collector <br> voltage for <br> class-A | $-\frac{1}{500} \mathrm{in}^{3}$ | Junction M1752 |  |
| Min collector <br> power for <br> class-A | 30 v | 2 v | Point M1768, M1734 |
| Class-A <br> efficiency | $20 \%$ | 0.2 v | Junction M1752 |



FIG. 3-Commenents of the $n-p-c$ Junc. tion transistor


FIG. 4-Schematic diagram of a junction transistor
fell off to about 20 to 30 percent of its room temperature value when the temperature was raised to +80 C . Over the same temperature range, alpha increased from 20 to 30 percent. This variation in $r_{c}$ has been reduced by a factor of about four for most current point-contact types. Variations in the current gain remain about what they were in the older types.

In such linear applications as the grounded-base amplifier, the gain will stay essentially constant within adb or two from -40 C to +80 C . The d-c collector current for fixed emitter current and collector voltage will change at about the same rate as $r_{c}$ (factor of four) in pulse applications. Similar improvements have been made for switching transistors.

It is believed that reliable operation in switching functions, at the present time, may be obtained at temperatures as high as +70 C in most applications and as high as +80 C in others.
Temperature variation effects in junction transistors are not yet well established. It seems there will be smaller variations in such parameters as alpha and $r$, than in the point-contact type. Variations in the direct current, especially $I_{c o}$ (collector current at zero emitter current) are of the order of ten percent per degree C. However, $I_{c 0}$ is usually much less than the operating value of $I_{c}$.

The cartridge-type transistor, see Table IV, has a volume of $1 / 50$ cubic inch. The M1689 bead-type pointcontact transistor under current development occupies only about $1 / 2,000$ cubic inch. The M1752 junction bead transistor has a volume of about $1 / 500$ cubic inch which may be reduced to the volume of the bead-type point-contact transistor if necessary. Further size reduction must come about in the passive components of circuits. This seems feasible because of low voltages, low power drain and lower equipment temperatures associated with transistor circuitry.

Advances have been made in the past two years in reducing the collector voltage and power required for practical operation. In 1949, the minimum collector voltage for which the small-signal class-A gain was still within three to six db of its full value was about 30 volts. Today, the M1768 and M1734 pointcontact transitors perform well with collector voltages as low as two to six volts even at relatively high frequencies.

The M1752 junction transistor, at collector voltages as low as 0.2 to 1.0 volt, can deliver useful gains. Under these conditions, the minimum collector power may be as low as two to ten mw for point-contact and 10 to $100 \mu$ w for junction types in typical operation.

Efficiencies for class-A operation have been raised to 30 to 35 percent for point-contact and 49 percent out of a possible 50 percent for junction transistors. Efficiencies for class-B and class-C are correspondingly close to their theoretical limiting values.

## Performance

Table V compares the progress made in several important performance figures of merit by development of several point-contact and junction types during the past two years. Reference is made to the type-A transistor as of September 1949.

Laboratory models of point-contact transistors for some switching and transmission applications now have useful values of current gain as high as 50. The single-stage gain of point-contact types M1768 and

Table V-_Performance Progress

|  | Type A Sept 1949 | Sept 1951 | New Types |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current gain $\alpha$ | 5 x | 50 x | Point, Junction |
| Single-stage class-A gain | 18 db | $\begin{aligned} & 22 \mathrm{db} \\ & 45 \mathrm{db} \end{aligned}$ | Point M1729, M1768 <br> Junction M1752 |
| Noise at $1,000 \mathrm{cps}$ | 60 db | $\begin{aligned} & 45 \mathrm{db} \\ & 10 \mathrm{db} \end{aligned}$ | Point M1768 <br> Junction M1752 |
| Frequency response $f_{c}$ | 5 mc | $\begin{array}{r} 7-10 \mathrm{mc} \\ 20-50 \mathrm{mc} \end{array}$ | Point M1729 <br> Point M1734 |
| Class-A power output | 0.5 w | 2 w | Junction |
| Switching characteristics | none | good | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Point M1698, M1689, } \\ & \text { M1734 } \end{aligned}$ |
| Feedback resistance $r_{b}$ | 250 ohms | 70 ohms | Point M1729 |
| $\frac{\text { Light }}{\text { Dark }} \text { photocurrent }$ | 2 to 1 | 20 to 1 | Junction M1740 |

M1729 for straight transmission applications has been increased to 20 to 24 db and for the M1752 junc-tion-type, the single-stage gain may be as high as 45 to 50 db .

Point-contact devices have been improved to have noise figures of about 40 to 45 db for high-sensitivity low-noise applications. The M1752 junction transistor has noise figures in the 10 to 20 db range. Noise figures are taken at 1,000 cycles and vary inversely with frequency.
Frequency response improvement has been obtained so that for video amplifiers up to about 10 mc , the M1729 point-contact transistor has


FIG. 5-General linear transistor


FIG. 6-Equivalent T circuit and typeaverage element values
a gain of about 18 to 20 db per stage. The M1734 point-contact transistor is under development for high-frequency oscillators and microsecond pulse switching. This transistor has been used in $24-\mathrm{mc}$ i-f amplifiers with a gain of 18 to 24 db per stage and bandwidth of several megacycles. These transistors work well as pulse generators and amplifiers of one-half microsecond pulses with collector voltage of six to eight volts and 12 to 20 mw collector power per stage. Amplitudes of four to five volts out of a total collector voltage of six volts and 0.01 to $0.02-\mu \mathrm{sec}$ rise times are obtainable in the amplified pulses.

Class-A power output has been raised to two watts in junction transistors by increasing the thermal dissipation limits and this is not the upper limit.

Junction-type phototransistors ${ }^{4}$ allow much greater output voltages for the same light flux than do point-contact-type phototransistors. ${ }^{\text {b }}$

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# Industrial Magnetrons for Dielectric Heating 

Heating at microwave frequencies can be much faster than at lower frequencies and the bands at 915 mc and $2,450 \mathrm{mc}$ minimize communications interference from leakage radiation. Magnetron oscillators, their control circuits and industrial applications of the tubes are discussed

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MICROWAVE TUBE developments several years ago reached the stage where kilowatts of power were available at frequencies of $10^{\circ}$ to $10^{10}$ cycles. It was soon evident that many heretofore difficult or impossible jobs of dielectric heating could be done easily at these microwave frequencies.

Fundamental to dielectric heating is the relationship

$$
\begin{equation*}
P=2 \pi f E^{2} \epsilon^{\prime \prime} \times 0.0885 \times 10^{-12} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $P=$ power in watts per cc converted to heat in the dielectric, $f=$ frequency of alternating elec-

[^5]tric field, $E=\mathrm{rms}$ field strength in volts per cm and $\varepsilon^{\prime \prime}=$ loss factor of the dielectric.
The rate of heating for any material is
\[

$$
\begin{align*}
\frac{d T}{d t}= & \frac{P}{4.186 C}=\frac{1}{C} 2 \pi f E^{2} \epsilon^{\prime \prime} \times \\
& 0.0211 \times 10^{-12} \tag{2}
\end{align*}
$$
\]

where $d T / d t=$ time rate of temperature rise in degrees $C$ per sec and $C=$ specific heat of material.

To increase the rate of heating a given dielectric material, either the field strength or the frequency may be increased. The field strength is easy to control but it can be increased only to the limit imposed by
arcing between the electrodes and the work. The field strength at which arcing occurs varies tremendously with different kinds of materials.

## Choice of Frequency

Referring to Eq. 2, the rate of heating at constant voltage is proportional to frequency if the loss factor does not change. In most materials, the loss factor actually rises with frequency in the useful ranges. It would seem necessary only to go to a high enough frequency to heat any material rapidly with a voltage safely below the breakdown point. There are, how-


Experimental plastic preheater. Radiation through the entrance and exit holes in the cavity is reduced by quarter-wave chokes


Complete and cut-away views of a water-cooled 915 -mc magnetron with plate dissipation rating of 3.000 watts
ever, limits on usable frequencies, imposed by economic and physical factors.

In the microwave region, it has been found extremely difficult to shield dielectric heating equipment to reduce radiation below the allowable FCC maximum.

Heating apparatus must be essentially confined to the frequency bands assigned for this service where large amounts of stray radiation are permitted. These bands are shown in the table.

| Center frequency (me) | Devietion allowance (mic) | Quarter wavelength in air (in.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 915 | $\pm 25$ | 3.22 |
| 2,450 | $\pm 50$ | 1.21 |
| 5,850 | $\pm 75$ | 0.50 |
| 10,600 | $\pm 100$ | 0.28 |
| 18,000 | $\pm 150$ | 0.16 |

Standard grid-controlled vacuum tubes serve as efficient oscillators up to the order of 100 mc . Their wide use in communications has made them highly developed and cheap.

Throughout the range of 100 to 900 mc , vacuum-tube oscillators can
be built to give as much power as is needed. These are specialized tubes in small production and they are expensive. In view of the lack of frequency assignments, it is doubtful if these frequencies will be used much for heating.

At 915 mc , a rugged magnetron oscillator is available to give $5-\mathrm{kw}$ output. Experimental magnetrons have been built to produce 50 kw in this frequency range. At 2,450 mc, magnetrons are available from the Raytheon Manufacturing Company giving up to $2-\mathrm{kw}$ output. At higher frequencies, tubes suitable for industrial use have not yet been put on the market. They can be made if a demand for them develops.

## Uniformity of Heating

Most of the materials to be heated with microwaves are relatively low-loss dielectrics. This means that in the passage of an electromagnetic wave through the material, only a small part of the energy in the wave is absorbed per wavelength of travel. If it is desired to dissipate all the energy in the wave in a piece of dielectric no more than a few wavelengths long, the wave must be reflected back and forth through it many times. Interference of the reflected waves sets up a standing-wave field pattern with maxima and minima of field strength separated by onequarter wavelength.

The standing-wave pattern imposes definite restrictions on the size of objects that may be heated uniformly at a given frequency. Consider the case of a cylindrical resonant cavity excited with the electric field parallel to the axis. The electric field strength is

$$
\begin{equation*}
E=E_{\max } J_{0}(6.28 r / \lambda) \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $E_{\text {max }}=$ maximum field (on the axis), $r=$ radial distance from the axis and $\lambda=$ wavelength in the material with which the resonator is filled.

In Fig. 1 is plotted the variation in $E^{2}$ derived from this equation. The rate of heating, proportional to $E^{2}$, is greater than 90 percent of its maximum value inside a radius of $0.07 \lambda$.

In a practical case, such as heating a plastic preform, the dielectric
load is placed in the center of the cavity where the field is high and uniform. If the diameter of the cavity is adjusted for resonance, with a coaxial cylinder of dielectric, the field in the dielectric will be exactly the same as in a smaller cavity completely filled with dielectric.

For a plastic material of dielectric constant 4.0

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lambda=\lambda_{0} / \sqrt{4}=0.5 \lambda_{0} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\lambda_{0}=$ wavelength in free space.

If the plastic cylinder has a diameter $d$ such that its surface is heated 90 percent as much as its center

$$
\begin{equation*}
d=2 \times 0.07 \times 0.5 \lambda_{0} \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

At $915 \mathrm{mc}, \lambda_{0}=12.9 \mathrm{in}$. and $d_{815}$ $=0.9 \mathrm{in}$. is the maximum diameter permitted.

This example illustrates the role of standing-wave patterns in selecting frequencies. Another effect becomes important for very lossy materials. Here the electromagnetic wave may lose its energy so rapidly in its first passage into the material that at the center of the load the fields are too weak to produce enough heat. For example, at 915 mc roast beef has a dielectric constant of 28 and a loss factor $\varepsilon^{\prime \prime}$ $=5.6$. The attenuation constant $\alpha$
for the fields of a wave is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\pi}{\lambda_{0}} \frac{\epsilon^{\prime \prime}}{\sqrt{\epsilon^{\prime}}} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\varepsilon^{\prime}=$ real part of dielectric constant. The power density in the wave is

$$
\begin{equation*}
E^{2}=E_{o}{ }^{2} e^{-2 \alpha} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

If the effective depth of penetration $p$ of the wave is defined as that depth at which the power density has fallen to $1 / \sqrt{e}$ or 0.61 of its


FIG, 2-Cross-sectional view of a 5 -kw water-cooled magnetron
initial surface value

$$
\begin{equation*}
p=\frac{1}{4 \alpha}=\frac{\lambda_{0} \sqrt{\epsilon^{\prime}}}{4 \pi \epsilon^{\prime \prime}}=\frac{\lambda}{4 \pi \epsilon^{\prime}} \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

In roast beef, $p=0.97 \mathrm{in}$. effective penetration at 915 mc .
These examples indicate how, for any type of load, consideration of the wavelength in the material in relation to the size of the piece leads to the choice of frequency. Present applications use the $2,450-$ mc band and the $915-\mathrm{mc}$ band. It appears that these will remain the most important in the microwave region, even when tubes become available for higher frequencies.

In the General Electric Company, microwave heating investigations and developments have been concentrated at 915 mc . Tube development was started in 1945 with a 5 kw magnetron oscillator operating at $1,040 \mathrm{mc}$. This tube was superseded by the type Z1492, operating at 915 mc . This tube requires a magnetic field of 1,400 gauss and has a plate dissipation rating with water cooling of 3,000 watts.

Construction of the 5 -kw magnetron is shown in Fig. 2. The filament is a helix of pure tungsten wire, 0.400 in . in diameter. Surrounding it are 10 anodes on a 0.687 -in. diameter circle, formed by U-shaped loops of $\frac{3}{16}$-in. copper tub-


FIG. 3-Mountings and connections for the magnetron of Fig. 2


FIG. 4-Performance curves taken with transmission line matched to load
ing through which the cooling water flows. This method of removing heat from the anodes gives good dissipating ability and practically eliminates frequency drift from thermal expansion of the anode structure.

The ten resonant circuits of the oscillator are formed by the anode pipes themselves and the copper tube shell connecting them at their outer ends. At their inner ends, the anode pipes are connected alternately by copper straps into two sets of 5 anodes. The purpose of these straps is to increase the frequency separation between the resonant modes of the anode structure, so that the oscillation will always take place in the desired mode with alternate anodes 180 deg out of phase. The resonant circuits would be quite loosely coupled without the straps, with the resulting resonant frequencies differing by a few percent.

## Coupling to Load

In the strapped structure, resonances of a laboratory tube were at $1,063 \mathrm{mc}, 2,110 \mathrm{mc}, 3,040 \mathrm{mc}$, $3,750 \mathrm{mc}$, and up. This extreme mode separation is not necessary but it has proven very desirable in dielectric heating. Where the load impedance may change wildly, it is nice to have insurance against oscillations jumping to another mode.

Referring again to Fig. 2, coupling of the anode tank circuits to the load is provided by a copper strap connected to one leg of one anode pipe and leading through the glass output seal to an external coaxial line. The point of attachment to the anode pipe is determined to give the proper loading of the oscillator when the transmission line is reflectionless.

The tube is mounted by sliding it inside its solenoidal electromagnet. As shown in Fig. 3, the magnet has an iron shell which carries the flux. Jumping a short gap formed by the copper tube shell, the flux enters the iron pole pieces inside the tube and provides the magnetic field parallel to the axis of anode and cathode. As the tube is plugged into its magnet, its output end makes contact with the inner and outer conductors of the transmission line. Air is blown in through


FIG. 5-Hieke diagram for a plate current of 1.0 amp and magnetic field of 1.200 gauss. Hadial coordinate is the voltage reflection coefficient (scale marked in swr in $\mathbf{d b}$ ) and azimuthal coordinate is phase angle of reflection coefficient (scale marked in wavelengths displacement of standing wave minimum). Upper numbers are wavelength (add $29,000 \mathrm{~cm}$ ), dotted lines are constant-wavelength contours, lower numbers are percent efficiency and solid lines are constant-efficiency contours
the inner conductor to cool the glass seal, which itself undergoes dielectric heating.

Operating characteristics of a magnetron are best shown by two sets of curves. Figure 4 is a performance chart where contours of magnetic field, output power and efficiency are plotted on coordinates of plate voltage and current. This data is taken with the transmission line matched to the load.

Figure 5 is a Rieke diagram where for standard conditions of plate current and magnetic field, the efficiency and wavelength are plotted on coordinates of reflection coefficient of the load for waves going down the transmission line.

## Electromagnet Control

The magnetron is essentially a diode, operated for convenience with its anode grounded. The plate power supply is between cathode and ground. It is advantageous to return the low-voltage end of this
supply to ground through the electromagnet, so the magnet is effectively in series with the plate current of the magnetron. The reason for this is illustrated in Fig. 4. If the magnetic field is constant, a small change in plate voltage produces a large change in current and output power. The dotted curve in Fig. 6 shows this relation. Linevoltage fluctuations can cause serious output variations.

When the plate current flows through the electromagnet, an increase in plate voltage causes increased current to flow, raising the magnetic field in proportion. Referring to Fig. 4, the plate voltage is almost directly proportional to magnetic field. The resultant effect is that plate current becomes proportional to plate voltage. This ohmic characteristic gives much smaller variations of power with plate voltage, as shown by the solid curve in Fig. 6.

The series electromagnet also


FIG. 6 -Effect of plate voltage on output power
stabilizes the output power against variations in load impedance. In Fig. 7, power is plotted versus resistance of an ohmic load measured in terms of $Z_{0}$, the characteristic impedance of the transmission line which it terminates. The power curve with a series electromagnet is more constant than with a fixed magnetic field and either constant voltage or constant current from the plate supply. Judicious choice of regulation characteristic of the supply could help in this respect also.

One difficulty with the series electromagnet is that when the plate voltage is first applied, the field is zero. Under these conditions, the magnetron will not start in its proper mode, but will oscillate in a high-frequency electronic mode at a voltage too low for the proper mode to take over. The remedy for this trouble is to have a residual magnetic field present before the plate voltage is applied.

Figure 8 shows a rectifier circuit that supplies starting field by feeding current into the magnet in parallel with the plate current. As the plate current rises, the drop in the magnet exceeds the rectifier voltage and the rectifier stops feeding current.

The rectifier shown in Fig. 8 has other uses. It provides a surge path for the magnet current when the plate supply is cut off, avoiding excessive voltage rise due to the inductance of the magnet.

Also, with the variable a-c supply to the rectifier, it may be used as an output power control that is much cheaper than a plate power
supply with continuously variable voltage. Leaving plate voltage fixed, the d-c output voltage of the rectifier is raised until it feeds shunt current into the magnet. This raises the magnetic field and reduces magnetron plate current. In this way, complete and continuous power control is obtained with a small Variac.

One very important piece of circuitry is a device for keeping the magnetron's filament at the proper temperature. The filament receives a considerable amount of energy from bombardment by electrons


FIG. 7-Effect on output power of varying pure resistance loads


FIG. 8-Rectifier circuit supplying starting field for electromagnet
that get into the r-f field in the wrong phase and are accelerated, as in a cyclotron. Most of these electrons strike the cathode.

The back-heating power in a Z1492-type magnetron at 1,000 and 1,400 gauss is plotted as a function of output power in Fig. 9. This data was taken with a load matched to the output transmission line. The heating is also a complicated function of load impedance, getting worse for unloaded conditions. No device capable of anticipating its amount has been very satisfactory.

The Z1492 cathode, running normally at 560 watts, would have its life shortened by a factor of seven by the addition of 155 watts of back heating, so it is worth while to compensate for it.

A regulating circuit, shown in Fig. 10, compares the resistance of the filament with a reference resistor. As the filament temperature rises, its resistance increases. This generates an error signal in the servo circuit, which reduces the heating current.

The circuit as shown will compensate for three-fourths of the back-heating power in a Z1492 magnetron. More elaborate controllers with better regulation have been designed, but the circuit shown has the advantage of simplicity and of failing safe. If a tube loses conductivity, the magnetron filament becomes colder.

The Z1492 is designed to feed into a $3 \frac{1}{8}$-in. coaxial transmission line of 53 ohms characteristic impedance. Lines with dielectric beads supporting the center conductor are not desirable, due to reflections from the beads and dielectric losses in them. Stub-supported lines, having an inner conductor $1^{\frac{1}{4}} \mathrm{in}$. in diameter and an outer conductor with a $3.027-\mathrm{in}$. inside diameter, have been used satisfactorily.

## Magnetron Application

Experimental work on dielectric heating at 915 mc has been carried on by several departments of the General Electric Company


FIG. 9-Back heating of the cathode in a 5 -kw magnetron with matched load
and by other organizations. To facilitate experiments, a number of 5 -kw heater units have been built and sold. This heater unit contains a Z1492 magnetron, power supplies, filament temperature regulator, triple-stub r-f impedance matcher and directional couplers to read directly the power in the transmitted and reflected waves. In use, matching the external load to the oscillator is done by adjusting the two controls on the impedance matcher until the reflected power meter reads zero.

In microwave heating, even more than low-frequency heating, each job presents a new problem in coupling power to the load. One example which has been studied is the heating of precooked frozen dinners. A specialized unit was developed for this purpose by P. W. Morse and H. E. Revercomb and described by them in Electronics, October 1947. It contains a resonant cavity, inside which the food is rotated on a turntable to average out the standing-wave pattern.

Another example of coupling methods is in preheating of thermosetting plastics. Here the pieces are small and uniform but a very uniform temperature is required. One method which has been used is the resonant cavity shown in Fig. 11. The transmission line is coupled by an inductive loop to the cavity, which is tuned to resonance by moving one side. The


FIG. 10-Constant-temperature filament regulator circuit


FIG. 11-Resonant cavity for heating plastic preforms
plastic preform pellet is placed at the center of the cavity in the region of most uniform field. A support of nonlossy dielectric prevents burning at the points of contact with the metal walls. In this cavity, fed with 915 -mc power, phenolic plastics can be preheated to a molding temperature of 190 $C$ in one second.

One of the photographs in this article shows an experimental plastic preheater. In this machine, preform pellets are fed through a resonant cavity on an endless belt, emerging at molding temperature. Quarter-wave chokes reduce radiation through the entrance and exit holes in the cavity.

## High-Power Magnetron

Experimental magnetrons have been built to give up to $50-\mathrm{kw}$ output at $1,000 \mathrm{mc}$. Fig. 12 shows a cut-open view of a tube which was developed as part of a Signal Corps contract. Similar tubes may be built to a degree of ruggedness and reliability suitable for industrial dielectric heating.

This magnetron operates at about 14 kv , with a magnetic field of 1,500 gauss. Plate efficiency is from 50 to 60 percent.

At the high-power level, it is desirable to use waveguides for transmission lines. The magnetron output is designed to couple directly into the waveguide by a quarter-wave antenna penetrating the guide. Surrounding the antenna is a ceramic dome, which forms the vacuum seal. The ceramic material, a high-alumina vitreous body known as Aluminite, will stand much higher powers than glass.

The anode structure, capable of dissipating 80 kw consists of 16 anodes $3 \frac{1}{2}-\mathrm{in}$. long by $\frac{1}{4}$-in. wide, each carrying cooling water.

The limit on power in these c-w magnetrons is in the cathode, where back-heating is severe. Experiments were carried on with watercooled cathodes coated with good secondary-emitting materials. With a secondary electron yield ratio of three to one, the back-bombarding electrons generate enough secondary emission to sustain oscillations. A small thermionic cathode is used as a starter.


FIG. 12-Cut-away view of a 14 -kv magnetron with magnetic field of 1,500 gauss

With these cathodes, power output of 50 kw was obtained, but the life was measured in tens of hours. The secondary emitting surfaces consisted of active metals such as magnesium and beryilium oxidized to a depth of a few hundred Angstroms. In operating the tube, residual gases are ionized by the high density of electrons between cathode and anode. These positive ions bombard the cathode, and are believed to sputter off the oxide layer, leaving a cleąn metal surface which has a low secondary yield.

Thermionic cathodes coated with thoria were tried, such as the one in the cut-open tube of Fig. 12. Powers around 30 kw were obtained, limited by cathode-to-anode breakdown. These cathodes should have very long life.

A husky pure-tungsten hot cathode required a heating power of 5 kw . With it, outputs of 35 kw were reached, limited by back heating of the cathode exceeding its total power requirement. The conclusion from these high-power tube tests is that a good $30-\mathrm{kw}$ oscillator at $1,000 \mathrm{mc}$ is now realizable.

# Improving TV System 



FIG. 1-Experimental system used to determine tv system characteristics

IN STANDARDIZING the transient response of the various parts of the television broadcast system a difficulty arose concerning that of the carrier-frequency system linking the transmitter to the receiver. Doubt arose as to whether it was possible to obtain an acceptable transient response within the framework of the present broadcast transmission standards. Accordingly, an investigation was made of the system between the modulator in the transmitter and the final detector in the receiver.

## Experimental System

To measure the transient responses of systems having a wide variety of characteristics, an experimental system was set up as shown in Fig. 1. A carrier-frequency signal is amplitude-modulated by a square wave and fed to a linear amplifier that raises the power level to about 100 watts. The signal goes through a passive, linear, minimum-phase-shift network representing the r-f circuits of the transmitter. A sample of the transmitter output is coupled through a similar kind of network representing the carrier-frequency
circuits of the receiver and is then fed directly to the vertical deflection plates of a cathode-ray oscilloscope.

The system is carefully adjusted so that the envelope of the signal fed to the input of the transmitter network is a substantially undistorted square wave of very short rise time.

Any transient distortion introduced by the transmitter and receiver networks can then be assessed by observing the squarewave envelope of the signal displayed by the oscilloscope. Transient response of any specific sys-

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tem can be measured by adjusting the networks to have the desired transmission characteristics.

It has been shown that the transient response of any system is dependent upon its amplitude-frequency characteristic and its phase characteristic. However, in the carrier frequency circuits of nearly all practical television systems, the phase characteristic is uniquely determined by the amplitude-frequency characteristic, since simple minimum-phase-shift networks are used almost exclusively. This is also true in the experimental system. Hence as far as transient response is concerned, the experimental system will accurately simulate almost any practical system having the same amplitude-frequency response.

## Standard System

Having established a method of measurement, it is appropriate to consider first the transient response of the system defined by the stand-

## What The Author Found

- A television system that rigidly adheres to the present standard characteristics has so much inherent transient distortion that it can be considered unacceptable.
- Existing practical systems have transmission characteristics with a more gradual slope in the region of the carrier frequency. This results in improved transient response, but distortion is still objectionable. It cannot be substantially reduced by correction in the video circuits.
- Transient distortion can be largely eliminated by modifying the transmission characteristic to the step type described. By a suitable change in the present transmitter and receiver standards, compatibility with existing receivers could be obtained


# Transient Response 


#### Abstract

Studies of existing standards indicate that a transmitter with characteristics only slightly different from those specified by FCC and RTMA will pass essentially undistorted square waves for any practical modulation factor when used with a receiver having a step-type amplitude characteristic


ards for television broadcasting. Figure 2 shows the transmissionamplitude characteristics for this system. The frequencies are shown relative to the carrier frequency so that the curves will apply to any channel and receiver intermediate frequency.

The overall system characteristic, shown in Fig. 2C, is obtained by combining the familiar standard characteristics for the transmitter (A) and receiver (B) as shown. It is noteworthy that the system response is determined primarily by the receiver.

However, when considering system response the individual transmitter and receiver characteristics are of no particular concern except as they affect the overall characteristic.

To measure the transient response of the standard system, the experimental system was adjusted to have an overall transmission amplitude characteristic as nearly


FIG. 2-Standard tv broadeast system transmission-amplitude characteristics


FIG. 3-Standard system ampliture characteristics (A) and output envelope waveforms for varying degrees of modulation (B) and (C)
as possible like that of Fig. 2C. The results are shown in Fig. 3. It is seen that except in the region of high-frequency cutoff the measured curve is everywhere within 5 percent of the standard shown by the dotted line. It was found that approaching any closer to the standard did not have any marked effect on the transient response.

When the carrier signal with square-wave modulation was fed into the system, the modulation factor was first adjusted so that the square wave represented abrupt transitions between the white and black levels of a standard television signal, that is, 12.5 percent and 75 percent respectively of the nominal
sync peak level. This was called full modulation and corresponds to a modulation factor of 0.714 . It is apparent that with this full modulation a given degree of squarewave distortion will be more noticeable in a received picture than it would be for lower modulation factors when the square wave represents transition between points closer together on the gray scale.

The output signal from the system as displayed by the oscilloscope is shown in Fig. 3B. For clarity only the shape of the envelope is shown. The actual display is, of course, a complete amplitudemodulated wave having an envelope of this shape. The output wave is
so distorted as to bear little resemblance to the input wave, which consisted essentially of abrupt transitions from black to white and from white to black.

One very noticeable effect is the marked difference in shape of the two transitions. This indicates a nonlinear type of distortion which it is practically impossible to correct inasmuch as it varies with the type of waveform being transmitted.

When the modulation factor is reduced to about 0.25 or lower, the nonlinear distortion is no longer present as shown by the waveform in Fig. 3C. The distortion remaining in this waveform could be corrected by means of phase-shifting
networks in the video circuits of the system. However, it will be shown later that such phase correction would make the distortion at full modulation even worse.

## Modified System

Distortion in the order of that shown in Fig. 3 is unavoidable with any system whose transmission amplitude characteristic is adjusted to conform to the standard. Since practical systems currently in use do not, in general, exhibit so much transient distortion it can only be assumed that they fortunately do not conform to the standard.

Figure 4 shows a characteristic in which the slope near the carrier has been reduced as much as possi-


FIG. 4-Average system amplitude characteristics showing relative frequencies in megacycles


FIG. 5-Envelopes of resultant square waves for varying degrees of modulation (A) and (C) phase corrected (B) and (D)
ble while still maintaining adequate attenuation at the adjacent sound frequency of -1.5 mc . The slope is substantially less than that of the standard shown by the dotted line. This curve approximates that of an average receiver, which has been aligned to have a characteristic of the general standard form without going to great lengths to obtain rigid compliance with the standard.

The square-wave outputs obtained with this system are shown in Fig. 5. Waveforms (A) and (C) show that the transient distortion is appreciably reduced, but it can still be considered objectionable.

It was mentioned previously that the distortion present at low modulation can be corrected in the video circuits of the system. The addition of a suitable phase-shifting network in the modulator input does largely remove the distortion as shown by the waveform at (D). But at full modulation, the phase correction makes the distortion, if anything, somewhat worse as shown by the waveform at (B). The reason is that the phase correction tends to compensate for undershoot and smear that are not present in the white-to-black transition. This results in an extensive overshoot at the black level.

## Improved System

The results obtained so far indicate that objectionable transient distortion is unavoidable with a system of the general standard form. It would therefore seem worth-while to investigate the possibility of obtaining an improved transient response by making some major change in the system transmission characteristic.

The nonlinear type of distortion evident at full modulation is caused by the quadrature component produced when the relative amplitudes of the carrier and sidebands are changed asymmetrically. Distortion still present at low modulation results principally from nonlinearity of the phase characteristic, particularly in the region of the carrier frequency.


FIG. 6-Proposed step-type characteristic and resultant square-wave envelope obtained

Hence, the requirements for an improved transient response are a more linear phase characteristic and a transmission amplitude characteristic that is more nearly symmetrical about the carrier frequency.

These requirements are satisfied by the step type of transmission characteristic shown in Fig. 6. The ideal curve shown by the dotted line is symmetrical about the carrier from the lower edge of the channel up to +1.25 mc . Above this frequency the response necessarily increases two-fold to compensate for the loss of the lower sideband. Consideration of the general relationship between amplitude-frequency and phase characteristics indicates that this type of amplitude characteristic should also give a more linear phase characteristic than the standard.

When the experimental system is adjusted to have a transmission characteristic as close as possible to the ideal, the measured characteristic is as shown by the full line, and the output square wave is as shown at (B). The square wave is remarkably free from distortion. The quadrature component has been reduced to such an extent that the difference between the two transitions is less than 5 percent. The improvement in linearity of phase characteristic is so great that there is no detectable undershoot or smear. Furthermore, the waveform is substantially the same for any modulation factor up to the maximum of 0.714 .

In order to obtain this improved transient response, it is necessary
to keep the shape of the curve between the carrier and -1.25 mc the same as that between the carrier and +1.25 mc .

## Practical System

It is rather difficult to do this in the r-f circuits of the system, but fortunately it is possible to obtain at least part of the desired shape by suitably modifying the re-


FIG. 7-Amplitude-correcting network for use at videa-írequency level
sponse of the system video circuits. For instance, the two-fold increase in response above +1.25 mc could be obtained by including a suitable network in the video circuit of the receiver. The system r-f response would then be flat in the upper sideband region and the lower sideband response would be shaped to match that of the video network.

## Video Network

A suitable network for this purpose is shown in Fig. 7. This network has a constant resistive input impedance and could be used as the detector load or video amplifier load in a receiver.

The response shown at (B) has the desired two-fold increase at the higher frequencies. When the experimental system was suitably modified to include this network in the receiver output, the results shown in Fig. 8 were obtained.

The transmitter characteristic is flat over most of the passband
but the lower sideband response is shaped to match the video network that has been included in the receiver.

The response of the carrier-frequency circuits of the receiver is also substantially flat, with the response maintained as far as possible into the lower sideband region; that is, down to about -1 mc . It then cuts off sharply to obtain about 45 db attenuation at the adjacent sound frequency. The overall square-wave response of the system (C) is again substantially free from distortion for any modulation factor up to the maximum of 0.714 .

## Similar to Standard

It will be noted that the transmitter characteristic differs very little from the present standard.


FIG. 8-Transmitter (A), receiver (B) and square-wave (C) characteristics of proposed system standards

The lower sideband response starts sloping off closer to the carrier but the actual amplitude-frequency response is still within the limits specified by the FCC and RTMA. Such a transmitter would then provide substantially the same service to present receivers as that from existing transmitters. However, by carefully controlling the transmitter lower sideband a considerably improved transient response could be obtained from receivers adjusted for this modified transmission characteristic.

# Methods of minimizing layer-to-layer transfer of signals in magnetic tape recordings during storage are analyzed. Best results are obtained by using weak erasing field during playback to suppress level of cross-talk without appreciably attenuating desired signal 

IN MAGNETIC RECORDING, the tendency of one layer of tape to be magnetized by the field of the layer of tape against which it is wound has been studied empirically. ${ }^{1,2,3}$ In two papers ${ }^{4,5}$ dealing with theory and experiment, a method has been outlined for reducing the layer-to-layer transferred signal by a process of selective erasure. The present study is concerned with this process.

It has been shown that the ease with which a recording can be erased is a function of the bias current used in recording it. The greater the bias current, the more difficult is the recording to erase. A signal which is recorded by layer-to-layer transfer is essentially a recording which has been made with zero bias current and might be expected to be easier to erase than the recorded material. With certain limitations, this is found to be the case.

## Erasure Tests

Tests were made by recording reference signals on every sixth layer of a roll of freshly demagnetized tape. After various times of storage they were reproduced to get the level of the two layers adjacent to the recorded one. In tests of this type it is necessary to standardize carefully many factors that affect cross-talk, including bias level, use or absence of bias in unrecorded layers, time of wind (and rewind, if used), temperature, tape tension and other factors ${ }^{1,4}$. In reproducing, an erase head was arranged to provide variable fields from zero up to those which completely erased, so that the relative effects of weak erasure on recorded and unwanted signals could be measured.

It was found, as expected, that the unwanted cross-talk signals were more easily erased than the
recorded signals. A small erase current (about $\frac{1}{10}$ the normal one) would reduce cross-talk signals by 6 or 8 db without any effect on the recorded signal, or the cross-talk could be reduced 10 or 12 db while only reducing the recorded signal 1 db .

## Effect of Frequency

These measurements were made on a single frequency but the problem for program material is more complex, because the ease of erasing signals with most heads varies with frequency. Furthermore, this dependence upon frequency is different for different head geometries. If the partial erasure is done by a recording head with a short gap, the field gradients near the gap are large, and short wavelengths are much more easily erased than long ones.

A typical erase head with longer gap produces a more uniform field through the thickness of the tape. A large air-core solenoid can be arranged to give a nearly perfectly uniform field if the tape is run through it. (Such solenoids are not practical for erasing recordings but can be arranged easily to give the fields necessary for selective erasure.) Since short wavelengths are not important in cross-talk but

## REDUCING CROSS-TALK

Avoid excessive peak record levels.
Store reel in cool place, away from stray magnetic fields.

Check recorder to make sure no stray fields affect tape in the supply or take-up positions.

Rewind the recorded tape occasionally, especially during the first few months of storage.

If necessary, use selective erasure to reduce cross-talk magnetization while reproducing
are important in recorded material, the best selective erasure head is one that gives most low-frequency erasure and least high-frequency erasure.

To test this, signals were recorded as above except that a highfrequency tone was also recorded. This tone was used to determine the frequency selectivity of the erasing process on recorded signals. After storing the recorded roll for 16 hours at 65 C , the tape was subjected to selective erasure fields of varying intensity from three sources: an Ampex recording head with 0.001-in. gap; an Ampex erase head with $0.020-\mathrm{in}$. gap; a 50 -turn solenoid $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$. long, $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$. inside diameter and $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$. outside diameter, having a substantially uniform $60-\mathrm{cps}$ field directed along the length of the tape. The results are summarized in Fig. 1.

It was found that for a given reduction of the printed signal, the 1-ke signal was reduced by about the same amount in all three cases. However, the high-frequency recorded signal was affected to a much greater extent and it was in this respect that the three methods differed markedly. The solenoid produced the least deterioration of the high-frequency signal, followed closely by the erase head, with the recording head running a very poor third. While the solenoid appears to be the most desirable means for selective erasure, practical considerations such as overheating, stray fields and cumbersome tape threading through the solenoid will probably prevent its widespread use.

The quantitative laboratory data in Fig. 1 are restricted to pure tones. They are also for particular heads and recording bias; results will vary somewhat for other experiments. As is often the case, the most satisfying proof of the

# Magnetic Tape Cross-Talk 

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usefulness of the technique is in tests of program material. In this sort of test, the following observations have been made.

The conditions for detectable cross-talk in actual program material are rather restrictive, so that it is rather infrequently encountered. Barring the occurrence of magnetic fields or high temperatures, printed signals are in the range of 50 to 60 db below the signal level even after a few years storage. This requires the complete absence of signal and a very low noise level in order to permit detection of the transfer. One procedure which aggravates the transfer effect is to commence a recording on a thoroughly erased tape in the middle of a loud program passage. Upon subsequent reproduction of this tape, the alert listener is almost certain to be forewarned of the impending affront to his eardrums. In these cases, selective erasure can be utilized to reduce the transfer to the point of insignificance if not inaudibility.

## Effect of Rewinding

The effect of selective erasure upon the transferred signal is not permanent, inasmuch as a new transfer signal is started as soon as the tape is rewound. The print level will again rise as the tape is stored, but should the tape be unwound at any time, the cycle will be interrupted. For this reason tapes which are frequently replayed would be expected to give less trouble than those which are stored undisturbed. Subsequent erasures using the same device and the same field intensity will restore the transfer signal to approximately the same level as did the first erasure.

The program will suffer some deterioration during the first selective erasure, but the identical process
can be repeated any number of times without resulting in any additional change in the program. Therefore, if the erase level is carefully monitored, it may be desirable to use selective erasure as a routine procedure whenever tapes are played back. In this case, the equalizers can be adjusted to restore the slight high-frequency loss in the process.

## Practical Considerations

Unlike some conceivable methods for the control of layer-to-layer transfer, the selective erasure process is a very practical one. For example, in a conventional type of recorder, it is only necessary to arrange that the bias or erase supply is operated at a suitably reduced power instead of being turned off during the playback operation. Depending upon how generously designed the normal erase current is, the value used for selective erasure may be from $\frac{1}{10}$ to $s$ the normal current. The possible variations in switching technique to accomplish this are large in number but need not be complex. It is necessary that the high-frequency


FIG. l-Effect of selective erasure fields produced in three ways, when using $15-\mathrm{kc}$ recorded signal. With l-kc signals, all three erasing devices give the same results, represented by uppermost curve
supply operate during reproduction, so the method is not applicable to some types of home recorders, as for example, those where the oscillator tube is used as the power output tube in reproduction. However, it is expected that this technique would never be required except for high-quality professional recordings. The use of selective erasure on any professional recorder would present no problem. Patents on the use of selective erasure have been applied for.

One limitation to the application of this selective erasure is in the nature of the magnetic tape which is used. On some magnetic recording tapes, the recording becomes more difficult to erase with time of storage. On such tapes, selective erasure may only be effectively used for a short time after recording. Since serious levels of transfer generally occur only after considerable storage times, this means that the process is nearly worthless with such tapes. The data in this paper were taken with "Scotch" sound recording tape No. 111 and are typical of the results which can be obtained with this tape and comparable tapes and films made from the same magnetic oxide. The process is relatively useless with tapes made from other oxides by the Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co. Among other domestic and foreign tapes of different types a wide range of behavior from good to poor in this respect will be found.

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# Nonsynchronous Pulse 

Voice transmitters use one frequency simultaneously but no synchronizing pulse is necessary, although time-division multiplexing is used. Random samples from each transmitter are tagged for identification at proper receiver. System is applicable to rural telephony and moving-vehicle communication

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Transmitter outputs (D) and F) are superimposed on common medium as shown in (G).

Receiver recognizer selects pulse groups from transmitter 1 by their unique spacing $(\mathrm{H})$. Anomalous pulse groups caused by interference between transmitter outputs ( $H^{\prime}$ and $H^{\prime \prime}$ ) are rejected by all receivers.

Step wave (I) is obtained when amplitude-modulated pulses are integrated by the storage capacitor.

Low-pass filter reforms original audio wave (J). Some distortion is caused by missing pulses. Dashed lines show undistorted output


FIG. 1-Nonsynchronous pulse-multiplex may be applied in rural

SEVERAL INDEPENDENT speech transmitters using a time-division multiplex system that employs random sampling may transmit simultaneously over a single broadband carriex. From a sample of its input, each transmitter sends a group pulses into the common medium. This pulse group is coded at the transmitter so that it may be accepted by the proper receiver. Interferences between transmitters are reduced by sampling at irregular internals. No synchronizing pulse is required and the transmitters need not be interconnected.

A possible application of the system to rural telephony is shown in Fig. 1. It consists of a number of subscriber stations with directive antennas pointed at a central omnidirectional repeater. Each subscriber transmits on a common frequency. Subscriber transmitter powers are adjusted so that the repeater receives all signals at approximately the same level. The repeater amplifies the received sig-

## Multiplex System



FIG. 2-System block diagram shows how receiver recognizer distinguishes between transmitter outpuls by code delay introduced between pulse pairs
nal pulses, changes frequency and reradiates omnidirectionally.

The system provides both for talking and automatic switching. Each subscriber is assigned a pulsecode group to which his transmitter and receiver will revert when the hook is down. When a certain party is dialed, the caller's transmitter emits pulse groups corresponding to the number dialed. When the called party answers, both parties talk using the pulse-code group of the called party.

The system may also be used for communication between moving vehicles and ships. Here syn-
chronous time-division multiplex seems ruled out because of a number of paths of changing delay involved. Likewise, frequency-division multiplex may be difficult because of the excessive linearity requirements that it imposes on the repeaters.

## Nonsynchronous System

Each transmitter consists of five major units as illustrated in Fig. 2. When the audio input is sufficient to operate the voice relay, the random pulser supplies a train of irregularly spaced enabling pulses to the grid of the sampler. Meanwhile, the audio input is applied to the
sampler cathode. The output of the sampler, a train of irregularly spaced, amplitude-modulated pulses is passed through the pulse shaper to the coder. Here each sampling pulse is changed into two equal and opposite pulses separated by a constant delay as determined by the position of the code switch on a ten-microsecond delay line. This code delay identifies the pulse group as having originated in a particular transmitter after it is transmitted through the common medium.

At the receiving end, the recognizer continuously monitors the wave train from the common


Same delay line is used for both transmitter coder and receiver recognizer


FIG. 3-Random pulser uses 2D21 thyratron as noise source for generating irre-gularly-spaced keying pulses


FIG. 4-Attenuation and phase characteristics of 10 -microsecond delay line


FIG. 5-Compensating capacitors help achieve phase-linearity in delay line
medium as it travels down the delay line. Each time a pulse group separated by the proper delay code appears, the receiver gate operates passing the information pulse to the storage capacitor. The storage capacitor holds its charge for each operation of the gate. The resulting step waveform is passed to the lowpass filter where the original audio waveform is reconstructed.

## Random Pulser

The random pulser is shown in Fig. 3. It uses a 2D21 thyratron as noise source to permit generating randomly-spaced pulses. The noise is amplified by a 6J6 then fed to
the grid of a blocking oscillator. Because the amplitude of the output of this stage varies considerably with repetition rate it is necessary to add a one-shot multivibrator that has a minimum of amplitude modulation in its output. After differentiating and clipping, randomlyspaced pulses of constant amplitude are available to the sampler grid.

Audio input is connected to the cathode of the sampler and also to a voice-operated relay through an amplifier. When there is no audio input the relay is released biasing the grid of the one-shot multivibrator beyond cutoff so that only during talk spurts are the random pulses sent to the sampler grid and thence to the common medium. This increases channel capacity by having the transmitter turned off during silent intervals in conversation.

## Delay Line

The same delay line is used in both transmitter and receiver. As shown in the photograph, the line consists of a continuously wound solenoid approximately 20 inches long having a total delay of approximately 10 microseconds and a characteristic impedance of 248 ohms . Taps are located approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ inch (丕 microsecond) apart. The attenuation and phase characteristics of the line are shown in Fig. 4. The line is about 3 db down at one megacycle with linear phase up to about 1.4 megacycles. To achieve the phase linearity shown in Fig. 4 it is necessary to use compensating capacitors in addition to the ordinary low-pass elements. As shown in Fig. 5 capacitors $C_{2}$ are bridged between adjacent taps and $C_{3}$ between alternate taps.

## Pulse Shaper

Pulses delivered to the common medium must be shaped so as to be as nearly noninterfering as possible. Hairpin pulses with no preceding or succeeding overshoots or undershoots would be ideal but would require infinite bandwidth. Figure 6 shows the filtering used and the resulting pulse shapes. The sampler plate pulse A is about 0.4 microsecond long at the base. This pulse is fed to a two-section con-stant-resistance filter. The sec-
tions of this filter are tuned to resonate at 1.4 and 1.7 mc . The output of the filter $B$ is a jagged wave due to the filter's transmitting frequencies beyond cutoff. By passing this wave through four sections of delay line these irregularities are smoothed out as shown at $C$. Further passage of the wave down the delay line results in additional overshoots and undershoots. The wave shape at the end of the line is shown at $D$.

Corresponding to the desirable pulse shown at $C$, the attenuation characteristic of the filter plus four sections of delay line is shown in Fig. 7. There is seen to be little deviation from the ideal Gaussian cutoff. The approximate bandwidth of the experimental system is about 0.5 megacycle corresponding to pulses about 2 microseconds long at the base.

## Recognizer

The recognizer must enable the receiver gate only when the proper code is received. This is done as shown in Fig. 8 by sampling the voltage amplitudes at four points along the receiver delay line: $A, B$, $C$ and $D$. The transmission delay between taps $A$ and $C$ or $B$ and $D$ must be the same as the interpulse spacing $T_{2}$ of the desired pulse pair. It is assumed that the desired wave (1) has traveled down the delay line (2) to the position shown by the correlation of (1) and (2). At this instant voltages could be measured


FIG. 6-Pulse shaper smooths pulses to forestall pulse interference
at taps $A, B, C$ and $D$, corresponding to wave amplitudes $A, B, C$ and $D$ shown directly above. The voltages so measured may now be compared in bridge resistance networks. At the instant shown by the correlation of (1) and (2) the voltages are related as shown in Fig. 8B at the upper right.

If all four voltages are zero none of the diodes conducts and no pulses are fed to the grids of differential amplifier $G_{1}$. When zero voltage is fed into both inputs of this amplifier its output voltage will be zero as at a point $X$ in the wave.

Point $X$ satisfies the requirement that all four voltages are equal but we must also insure that they are not all zero, that is that some pulses are present. This is done by a fifth tap on the line that provides an enabling pulse to $G_{3}$ of the mixer. These voltages coincide on the grids of the mixer to produce a short pulse out of the recognizer to operate the gate.

## Gate Circuit

The gate circuit is shown in simplified form in Fig. 9. A sample from a tap on the delay line is fed through a cathode follower to the gate input. The gate is of the double-diode type driven by transformer $T_{1}$ having balanced secondary windings and biased in the conventional manner. If the gate were driven directly from the recognizer output the gate operating pulses

## NO SYNC PULSES

Multiplexing, or putting a number of speech channels on a single broad-band carrier is accomplished by two general methods:
(1) Frequency division, in which the band is divided into discrete frequency bands corresponding to the several intelligence channels.
(2) Time division, in which the entire band is used for each channel with only ona channel using it at any instant.

In time-division systems such as pulse-amplitude modulation (pam), pulse-code modulation ( pcm ), and pulse-position modulation (ppm) speech channels are sampled at different times and pulses corresponding to these channels sent over the common medium and reformed into speech waves at the receiving end.

Existing systems sample the speech channels at regular intervals and in the same order. This requires a synchronizing pulse and the speech transmitters must be interconnected.

The system described makes use of random sampling. The speech channels are sampled at irregular intervals. No synchronizing pulses are needed and the transmitters need not be interconnected.
would vary in amplitude as shown at $A$ owing to modulation and marginal conditions of interference. To avoid distortion, this pulse is regenerated by a one-shot multivibrator producing pulses of constant amplitude. This avoids noise from partial or marginal operations of the gate.

To avoid distortion the storage capacitor should fully charge and hold its charge indefinitely for each operation of the gate. Since the gate is operated for only 14 microsecond and may be unoperated for 100 to 250 microseconds (allowing for randomness and a missed sample) a compromise value of $C$ must be used. The larger values of $C$ make the step wave flatter but
cause a loss of high-frequency response. Smaller values cause the steps to slope more and increase distortion due to random sampling. A compromise value of $300 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ was found most satisfactory. The need for a 10 -megohm back resistance dictates the choice of 6AL5 diodes for the gate.

The response of the low-pass filter and the overall audio characteristic of the system is shown in Fig. 10. The difference in the curves results from incomplete charging of the storage capacitor.

## Signal-to-Noise Ratio

The results of $1,000 \mathrm{cps}$ signal-tonoise measurements at the output of the system are shown in Fig. 11


FIG. 7-Attenuation characteristics of pulse shaper

FIG. 8-Recognizer opens receiver gate only when pulse pairs separated by proper delay code are received. Pulse Irain is sampled at five points along delay line

in which noise plus distortion is plotted as a function of total output. Tests were made both with and without an interfering transmitter.

To obtain noise-plus-distortion readings, the 1,000 -cycle signal was fed around the complete system from input to output with proper attenuation and phase shift to cancel the signal at the output.

Noise and distortion increase with the signal when both transmitters are operating. This behavior is to be expected when the effect of missing samples is considered. As shown in Fig. 11, maximum signal-to-background-noise ratio is about 42 db . However, maximum signal-to-noise plus distortion ratio at high levels is only about 20 db .

## Interference Effects

A rough idea of the interfering effects of a number of transmitters is obtained by driving the interfering one at rates that are various multiples of 8 kc . Each simulated added transmitter degrades the sig-nal-to-background-noise ratio by roughly 3 db . Thus with five simulated interfering transmitters this ratio drops from 42 db to about 30 db.

Listening tests were conducted in which each transmitter was fed
from its own tape recorder while the receiver was arranged to accept signals from either one or the other. In general the operation of the second transmitter did not interfere with intelligibilty at normal talking levels although the transmission was judged to be below toll quality. The loss-of-sample distortion causes a certain rasping quality of speech. When more interfering transmitters are stimulated, distortion becomes progressively worse as expected. It appears that speech intelligibility would still be tolerable with between five and eight active. interfering transmtters.

## Features

The proposed system has a number of attractive features: the number of distinct assignments that can be made in a given channel is limited only by the video delay incorporated in receivers and transmitters; repeaters need not be linear to avoid crosstalk and for some forms of modulation nonlinear or even limiting repeaters can be used; and crosstalk is unintelligible noise proportional to signal amplitude.
Since each subscriber is assigned a specific number or pulse-code group to which his transmitter and receiver both automatically revert


FIG. 9-Recognizer drives receiver gate through multivibrator and balanced transformer


FIG. 10-Frequency response of output filter and overall system characteristic


FIG. 11-Overall system signal-to-noise characteristics
when the hook is down, the system provides inherently for both talking and automatic switching. However, among the several subscribers at distant exchanges, there need be one or more operators to provide communication between local exchanges.

The system has one outstanding disadvantage. It is not economical of channel capacity with respect to the number of simultaneous transmissions that it can handle as contrasted with the large amount of distinct and always available channel assignments than can be made with a synchronous system.

## Conclusion

Experiments show that the quality of speech transmission is below toll system standards. In general, such a system might be useful where transmission of intelligence rather than high quality speech is of primary interest.
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# Vibration Recorder Tests Army Packaging 

In studies of shocks transmitted to a packaged article, nine accelerations are measured simultaneously and data recorded on magnetic tape that is played back slowly for chart recording. Pulse-width modulation system avoids distortion due to tape inhomogeneities

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CAREFULLY CONTROLLED experiments to correlate cause and effect in damage to packaged articles are being conducted at the packaging development laboratory, Engineer Research and Development Laboratories, Fort Belvoir, Va. These experiments require the recording and analysis of forces transmitted to the contents of packages submitted to controlled shocks or vibrations. The forces are detected by electronic accelerometers located at various points of interest and their outputs remotely recorded for subsequent analysis.

Requirements for associated recording equipment are unusually stringent in an effort to reproduce faithfully data from several accelerometers and to have the records available for analysis in the shortest possible time following the experiment. The E.R.D.L. packaging branch assembled the specifications for recording equipment and turned the problem over to Reed Research Inc., Washington, D.C. for development and fabrication.

The shock and vibration recorder, shown in the photograph, simultaneously records nine accelerations and one set of timing signals. The frequency response of the data channels extends from 2 to 500 cps and full-scale acceleration is $\pm$ 80 g .

Figure 1 is a block diagram illus-
trating the operation of the equipment. Output data are recorded by direct-writing oscillographs, without recourse to photographic techniques. Since these oscillographs cannot record the desired frequency range directly, the data are first recorded on magnetic tape, which is then played back at one tenth its original speed; thus reducing all frequency components of the data to ${ }^{\frac{1}{1}}$ original frequency.

This feature effectively increases frequency response of the oscillo-
graph tenfold and gives a corresponding increase in time scale on the chart paper. A ten-minute test on the acceleration table therefore requires an hour for recording. To achieve this time scale directly, however, would require a chart speed of 50 inches per second which is impractical for multiple-channel chart paper.

A precise method for magnetictape recording is necessary in order that the data be uncontaminated in the recording and playing back


Instrument container with accelerometers attached mounted for acceleration-table test. Table connects to vibration recorder housed in shelter, left


Vibration recorder shelter. From left to right, major components are: record modu-lator-amplifier; magnetic-tape recorder; playback demodulator-amplifier; and stripchart recorder


FIG. 1-Block diagram shows how system frequency response is extended using tape recorder to play back data at reduced speed
processes. This precision requirement excludes ordinary amplitude and frequency-modulation methods. The former is unsuccessful because of occasional clumps of particles in the tape coating whose ability to retain magnetism may be 20 to 50 percent below average. Frequencymodulation methods likewise introduce error since variation in tape speed appears, in magnified form, as a shift in the base line.

## Pulse-Width Modulation

Pulse-width modulation is used. This technique consists of recording square waves whose period is
constant but whose ratio of on to off time is varied by the signal. Thus, zero input is represented in Fig. 2A by a symmetrical square wave. Full-scale positive modulation, Fig. 2B, is represented by a square wave on 75 percent of the time and off 25 percent. Similarly, full-scale negative modulation is represented in Fig. 2C by a square wave on 25 percent of the time and off 75 percent. Figure 2D shows how demodulation restores the original a-m waveform.

The record modulator-amplifier circuit is shown schematically in Fig. 3. Intelligence is received
from each of nine accelerometers in the form of an a-m voltage wave. Nine separate record modulatoramplifier channels convert this energy into a pulse-width modulated signal with a pulse repetition frequency of $5,000 \mathrm{pps}$.

Each modulation channel terminates in a separate record-playback head located in the control console. Tape speed while recording is 60 inches per second.

## Magnetic-Tape Recording

The pwm signals are impressed upon magnetic tape as magnetized areas of alternate polarity. On playback, a different wave shape is obtained but the original square wave is capable of reconstruction by conventional circuitry. Similarly, variable amplitude of the recovered signal is of no importance. The tape is played back at 6 inches per second. Nine sparking stylii record the channel outputs on current-sensitive Teledeltos paper. Chart speed is variable from 0.5 to 5 inches per second.

It can be shown that variation in tape speed introduces only secondorder errors. The reconstructed square wave is passed through a low-pass filter whose output is the average value of the square wave. This average value cannot depend upon tape speed as long as variations are slow compared with pulserepetition frequency. It is evident that this average value must represent the original modulation.

The accelerometers are attached to significant points of the container to be tested. The accelerometer used here is a grounded-grid 5734 triode with movable anode. As acceleration increases, so does the plate-to-cathode voltage gradient causing a proportional increase in plate current. A signal is developed across the grid resistor of the cathode-follower mixer, shown in Fig. 3, wherein a voltage-rate-ofchange of approximately 1.52 mv represents 1 g acceleration.
The pulse train from the 5 -kc blocking oscillator is applied to the opposite grid of the twin-triode cathode follower. The output of the mixer is coupled to the input of the cathode-coupled multivibrator. Dwelling time of the multivibrator is adjusted by the zero-set potenti-


FIG. 2-Typical waveforms illustrate pulse-width modulation technique
ometer in the mixer grid circuit. The blocking oscillator pulse produces a positive output pulse from the multivibrator every 200 microseconds. In the absence of any input from the accelerometer, the output is a positive square wave of constant period. However, the signal from the accelerometer varies the bias on the multivibrator input grid and, correspondingly, the width of the output pulse.

## Circuit Details

Figure 4 is a schematic of the playback-demodulator circuit. The input from the record-playback head is amplified by three class-A triode stages and applied to a double-diode pulse selector which selects only the tips of the pulses. The selected pulses are fed through a one-stage amplifier to a squaring
tube , the output of which is a square wave having a movable leading edge and corresponding to the output waveform of the record multivibrator. This waveform is applied to a push-pull driver-demodulator stage wherein most of the $500-\mathrm{cps}$ carrier component is removed
The two-stage frequency-compensated d-c amplifier provides lowfrequency gain with an essentially flat response from d-c to above 50 cps. A cathode-follower output tube drives the stylus motor of the channel strip-chart recorder.

The linearity of the combined modulation and demodulation process is on the order of one percent. Frequency response extends well
beyond 500 cps and square waves at 200 cps are quite recognizable on playback. The system resolves a square wave with a double overshoot two percent of maximum amplitude and a rise time of 0.7 millisecond. Signals due to tape noise have been reduced to about 50 spurious pulses per mile of tape. Throughout the remainder of the tape the signal to noise ratio is approximately 200 to 1.

In later models of this equipment, frequency response to $2,000 \mathrm{cps}$ is achieved by using a recording tape speed of 60 inches per second and a playback speed of 3 inches per second. Data is reproduced faithfully on a strip-chart recorder whose response is only 100 cps .


FIG. 3-Record modulator-amplifier converts a-m signal from electronic accelerometer to pulse-widih modulated wave train for recording on magnetic tape


FIG. 4-Playback demodulator-amplifier restores accelerometer waveform for recording on strip chart. Tape recorder is slowed down to $1 / 10$ record speed for playback

# Half-Wave Magnetic 

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Compact size of amplifier is evidence of half-wave circuit economy. Amplifier shown drives 5 -watt servo motor

MAGNETIC AMPLIFIERS for instrument servo systems are currently undergoing considerable investigation. The recently perfected half-wave version shows promise for applications where a minimum speed of response, as well as reliability, long life, and ruggedness normally associated with magnetic amplifiers, are important.

At first it was thought that the output of the half-wave circuit would be unsuitable for driving the two-phase motors generally used in servo systems. This was disproved experimentally; a typical two-phase induction motor will produce at least half torque on a half-wave circuit, and much more if capacitors are used across the motor windings to tune them to the fundamental frequency.

The basic circuit found most useful for this application is shown in Fig. 1. The bridge configuration

[^6]eliminates the need for a centertapped return on the transformer secondary. As shown, two sets of windings appear on a single core, so that one stage requires but one pair of cores.

Either $X_{1}$ and $X_{3}$ or $X_{3}$ and $X_{4}$ could be removed from the circuit. However, all four rectifiers are included to eliminate completely any possibility for circulating currents in any leg or section of the bridge.

## Flux Level Setting

One distinct advantage of the half-wave circuit arrangement is that during the half cycle when the power winding circuit is inactive, it has negligible effect on the control windings, thus permitting setting of flux levels with relative ease during these half cycles by the reference windings connected across the a-c line. The control winding need only furnish the incremental power required to override the reference winding and shift the flux along the magnetization curve. For materials exhibiting rectangu-
lar hysteresis loops, this power is quite small.

The bridge power windings are active only when the a-c line polarity is such that point $X$ is positive. During this half cycle the flux in both cores is carried up the BH curve to saturation. At the end of this half cycle a large percentage of residual flux remains. During the succeeding half cycle, when no current flows in the power windings, the zero signal operating flux level is set as determined by the values of $R_{1}$ and $R_{2}$. Each core may be set independently to ensure balance. The use of separate reference windings, rather than using shunted rectifiers and allowing reverse current to flow through the power windings, permits higher gains.
In this circuit no response-improving resistance is needed in the control circuit since transients cannot exist over a complete operating cycle. When amplifiers are cascaded, the output of one is connected directly to the input of the next with no passive elements required.


FIG. l-Basic circuit shows use of bridge configuration to eliminate need for center tap transformer

## Servo Amplifier

## Circuit has possibilities for application in automatic feedback controls where reliability of operation and extreme ruggedness are important. Complete details of economical half-wave $60-\mathrm{cps}$ and $400-\mathrm{cps}$ magnetic servo amplifiers are given



FIG. 2-Complete circuit showing parts values for $60-\mathrm{cps}$ and $400-\mathrm{cps}$ (in pareniheses) two-stage magnetic servo amplifiers

The circuit has been used in both 60 - and 400 -cycle applications to obtain performance superior to that obtainable with conventional fullwave circuitry. The over-all time response of a two-stage amplifier is $1_{2}^{1}$ cycle ( 1 cycle for the first stage, and one half for each succeeding stage). In comparison to conventional full-wave circuitry, the number of parts required is about half, with resultant savings in cost, size and weight.

## Cores and Windings

Figure 2 shows the complete circuit with values for 60 -cycle operation and 400 -cycle operation in parentheses. The resistance $R_{3}$ in series with the input circuit ensures
a certain minimum input impedance, which is desirable where synchro components are used for error detection in a servo system. The capacitor $C_{1}$ around the input resistor of the $60-\mathrm{cps}$ amplifier adjusts the phase to obtain slightly better performance.

The cores used are all tape-wound toroids made of 50 -percent iron, $50-$ percent nickel grain-oriented material having a very rectangular hysteresis loop. Each core bears two power windings, a reference winding and a control winding. Core and winding specifications for a two-stage amplifier are shown in Table I.

The $60-\mathrm{cps}$ amplifier was designed to operate a Ford Instrument Company 5 -watt low-inertia servo motor, presenting an impedance of about 250 ohms to the amplifier.

The 400-cycle amplifier operated a U. S. Navy, Bureau of Ordnance MK 16 Mod 0 servo motor with an impedance of 365 ohms .

The two amplifiers described were tested on typical closed-loop servo systems. Stabilization was provided by a tachometer generator mechanically linked to the motors, the tachometer signal being fed back as an error signal.

Highest available slewing rates are 550 and 1,000 deg per sec for the 60 - and 400 -cycle versions respectively. Voltage gains are 12 (60-cycle) and 20 (400-cycle), while respective static errors amount to less than 0.1 and 0.01 degrees. Following rate for the $60-$ cycle system is 1 deg per 60 deg per sec , while that for the 400 cycle servo is 1 deg per 200 deg per sec.

## Table I-Core and Coil Data for 60-cps and 400-cps Magnetic Servo Amplifiers

| Core Material: Orthonol $(50 \% \mathrm{Ni} 50 \% \mathrm{Fe}$ alloy, grain oriented, dry hydrogen anneal) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 60 Cycles |  |  |  | 400 Cycles |  |  |
|  |  | Input |  | Output |  | Input | Output |  |
| Core Dimensions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| d (inches). <br> $n$ (inches) <br> $W$ (inches). <br> Tape Thickness (inches) | $\begin{array}{r} 1.00 \\ 1.25 \end{array}$ |  | 1. 25 |  | 1.00 |  | 1.25 |  |
|  |  |  | 1.75 |  | 1.25 |  | 1.75 |  |
|  | 0.25 |  | 1.00 |  | 0.25 |  | 0.375 |  |
|  | 0.002 |  | 0.002 |  | 0.002 |  | 0.002 |  |
| Winding Data |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Turns | Wire Size | Turns | Wire Size | Turns | Wire Size | Turns | Wire Size |
| Power. | 2,000 | 33 | 1,500 | 30 | 500 | 28 | 850 | 29 |
| Reference. | 500 | 36 | 500 | 34 | 50 | 31 | 50 | 31 |
| Control. . | 100 | 36 | 25 | 28 | 300 | 36 | 10 | 22 |

# Radioelectroencephalograph 



Subject wearing complete two-unit radioelectroencephalograph (REEG), with voltage amplifier on left shoulder and transparent plastic-encased transmitter on right shoulder. The three leads coming from top of amplifier go to electrodes on scalp

THE ELECTROENCEPHALOGRAPH (abbreviated EEG) is a clinical instrument for amplifying and recording the low-frequency alternating potentials which appear at points on the surface of the animal scalp as a result of electrical activity in the underlying cortical mass. These so-called brain-waves vary irregularly in frequency and amplitude in the range from about 6 to 50 cycles per second and from about 10 to $100 \mu \mathrm{v}$ respectively. The subject usually reclines quietly in a shielded room and leads from various scalp regions are switched, in turn, to the amplifier input. The electric leads prevent the subject from engaging in such normal activity as walking around while the record is being made. The researcher is therefore somewhat limited in the scope of his possible investigations.

The present instrument is the re-
sult of an attempt to remove the restrictions imposed by wires between subject and equipment. The feasibility of utilizing radio broadcasting and of making the amplifying and transmifting equipment


Examples of brain-wave patterns obtained from REEG system, for walking subject with eyes open (low-amplitude pattern) and with eyes closed (high. amplitude pattern)
portable has already been shown and the instrument has been given the name radioelectroencephalograph (abbreviated REEG). The present REEG is an improved model from the standpoint of performance, portability and comfort. It can also be used as a radioelectrocardiograph (abbreviated RECG) for remote observation of heart potentials, as well as for the remote recording of pulse rates.

In the study of muscle action other than heart, the unit operates as a radioelectromyograph (abbreviated REMG). For exclusive use as an RECG or REMG, the electronics of the instrument can be simplified with consequent additional reduction in size and weight and with improved performance.

## Portable Section

The portable section of the REEG consists of an electrode system, a high-gain voltage amplifier in one rectangular case, and a modulator stage, f-m oscillator, antenna system and power supply in another case. The two cases fit conveniently into suitcoat pockets or pockets of the usual laboratory jacket. These units can also be fastened directly to the body under the clothing with paper masking tape, or clipped or pinned to the clothing at points most suited to the


Example of heart-potential pattern obtained with equipment connected as radioelectrocardiograph (RECG), with center electrode at sterno-xiphoid junction on chest and other electrodes two. inches to right and left. This location gives minimum interference from signals generated by working muscles. Timing voltage and plastic grid overlay are superimposed on pattern

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# Patient carries portable f-m transmitter while walking or exercising, for broadcasting brain waves, heart potentials, muscle potentials or pulse rate to receiver and cathode-ray viewer in laboratory. Used for clinical and laboratory research 

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particular physical activity of the subject at the time.

Separation of the amplifier from the r-f section results in better performance and enables the weight to be reduced because the transmitter does not require shielding or shock mounting. Radiation directly from the tank circuit of the r-f section enables the antenna to be dispensed with at short ranges, with consequent greater stability of operation while the subject is active. The amplifier case is therefore of stainless steel and the oscillator case of transparent plastic, molded to fit interior components.

## Electrode System

Electrode leads should be kept physically symmetrical with the center ground lead insofar as possible, to help equalize the ampli-
tudes of unwanted signals appearing at the amplifier input.

For humans, flattened drops of solder 5 to 7 mm in diameter form the electrodes proper. Three are needed, as the amplifier is pushpull with the middle connection grounded. A drop of commercial EEG paste is applied to the skin at the point of application and rubbed briefly with the flat side of the electrode. The electrodes are held in place by collodion, or any other standard method can be used.

The leads from the electrodes are light-weight, flexible shielded wire described commercially as grid wire. The conductor is multiplestrand fine copper, rubber and/or fabric insulated, surrounded by metal braid and an outside protective covering. The leads terminate in small male pinjacks. The shield
of the center lead is connected electrically to the center conductor at the electrode end and all three shields are connected electrically at the pinjacks.

## Amplifier

The amplifier circuit, shown in Fig. 1, is a high-gain RC-coupled voltage amplifier with push-pull input and single-ended output. The light steel chassis is floated in carefully shaped sponge rubber inside a light stainless steel case with snapon cover. The exterior of the shell is covered with flock to minimize artifacts caused by the subject touching the case, as well as for appearance.

The frequency range for a REEG or RECG amplifier needs to extend as close to zero as possible. Brain waves are principally in the range


EIG. 1-Portable voltage amplifier and transmitter of radioelectroencephalograph, in two housings having total weight of only 2.6 lb
from about 6 to 50 cps , but some applications require a greater range.

A push-pull amplifier with two gain controls gives better rejection of stray $60-\mathrm{cps}$ in-phase signals and those generated by motion through the earth's magnetic field.

The output stage is somewhat unconventional; it performs the functions of cancelling in-phase signals, adding some gain and providing single-ended output. One CK522AX operates as a triode and controls the IR drop in the common 1,500ohm cathode resistor of the stage in response to the signal at the output of one side of the second voltage gain stage of the amplifier. The other side of the second gain stage feeds the grid of the CK522AX which is operated as a pentode.

The overall response of the entire REEG from amplifier input to observing system, including the radio link, is shown in Fig. 2 for three different input conditions. With each of these successively larger inputs, the gain was reduced to approximately that used in actual practice.


FIG. 2-Overall frequency response curves for three different gain settings of the REEG

The modulator and r-f stages with interstage shielding are mounted on a brass chassis in a formed plastic case. The low power requirements permit the use of subminiature tubes for modulator and oscillator. The modulator is a CK518 operating as a variable reactance in parallel with the plate of a single CK5677 tuned-plate tunedgrid r-f oscillator with $90^{\circ}$ phase shift accomplished by a tuned circuit at the grid of the reactance tube, loosely coupled to the oscillator tank. The reactance grid tank is tuned by coil spacing. A carrier frequency of about 104 mc minimizes signal variations at the receiver arising from any standingwave patterns in the laboratory, and allows the use of small components. Small frequency adjustments are made by bending the tank coils to change the ratio of the diameter to length and thereby change the inductance.

A single 1.5 -volt flashlight cell operates the filaments of both tubes in parallel. One 67.5 -volt cell supplies B power for both tubes and, with suitable decoupling, power for the amplifier through a lead between the two units. More than four hours of continuous duty and considerably more with intermittent duty is possible with this small power supply, which is readily replaced when needed. As the B battery voltage drops, r-f oscillation ceases before the amplifier is affected; this avoids recording signals which might be faulty as a
result of decreasing amplifier performance.

For most uses, the transmitter antenna system consists of nothing more than the plate tank of the CK568AX. An antenna is indicated in the circuit of Fig. 1 to indicate radiation from this unit, but no wire projects from the tank.

Reception is adequate with this method to a range of about 50 feet, which is sufficient for most purposes. An antenna wire sewn in the sleeve or coat can be coupled to the oscillator for greater range, but with the disadvantage that the subject cannot be as active physically without introducing extraneous signals.

## Receiver Section

The receiving antenna is a $300-$ ohm folded dipole tuned to the carrier frequency. It may be used near the receiver, placed in another room with the subject, or mounted outside a window for following out-of-door exercises.

The receiver circuit, given in Fig. 3, is a conventional $f-m$ unit through the r-f and i-f stages but with modified discriminator and audio stages. In use, the r-f stage is tuned to the transmitter carrier. The transmitter has fixed tuning. Two 6AG5 pentodes form a double conversion system in which the 6C4 triode oscillator operates at onehalf signal frequency minus 5.35 mc to provide a 10.7 -mc i-f signal. Two 6BA6 pentodes furnish the i-f gain to drive the 6AL5 ratio de-


FIG. 3-Receiving and observing system of the REEG. The a-f amplifier delivers a signal output of several volts to the viewing section at the right, using a special long-persistence cathode-ray oscilloscope with a plate camera


Pulse rate changes during normal human activity, as calculated and plotted from curves obtained with RECG equipment. Subject shows good recovery time back to his normal from the 130 rate arising from exercise
tector, with limiting. This in turn drives a 6C4 triode having adjustable gain, with circuit elements chosen to give the desired a-f response.

Amplitude modulation by the portable transmitter itself has been satisfactorily minimized; however, some amplitude modulation can exist at the receiving antenna due to a shifting standing wave pattern as the subject moves about a room. This type of amplitude modulation falls within the frequency response of some of the signals being studied and below the frequency at which a normally sized capacitor in the ratio detector circuit can control amplitude fluctuations. In addition, large changes in signal strength at the receiving antenna can occur due to the relatively large changes in transmission distances involved in practice.

Ranges used can be anywhere from one foot to over 100 feet or about two orders of magnitude. The signal over such range differences will vary in an even greater ratio, hence some form of limiting action is needed. This has been achieved by the simple substitution of a $4 \frac{1}{2}-$ volt dry battery in the position of the usual 10 -uf capacitor in the discriminator circuit. Limiting action is shown in Fig. 4, which also shows the additional advantage of rapid falling off of output signal at too-low values of received signal. This is an advantage because the observer can then tell when the subject is in a dead spot, being aided in this by the large increase in receiver noise, with the result that the record will not be misinterpreted as an abnormally lowamplitude brain wave.

The type 9GP7 cathode-ray tube
of the REEG receiver has a magnetic sweep and long-persistence screen. An x-axis linear sweep, adjustable from about 0.5 to 30 cps , enables brain waves and cardiograms to be observed conveniently, and also contains a single-sweep feature. The long-persistence screen permits studying a single trace for at least a minute in a semidarkened room or photographing it after it has been inspected, thus saving film when recording unpredictable patterns. Since the slowly moving spot on the 9GP7 screen covers such a small area per second, the tube is operated at only $1,000 \mathrm{v}$ which is th its rated voltage. This low anode voltage also has the advantage that less magnetic deflection power is required.

## Viewer and Recorder

A grid overlay on the face of the c-r tube provides reference lines for time on the x -axis and voltage amplitude on the y-axis. The grid lines are illuminated so that they are recordable by photography but without illuminating the screen where they would otherwise produce an undesirable glow. This is accomplished by forming a $6 \times 6 \times \frac{1}{4}-\mathrm{in}$. piece of plastic to the curved surface of the c-r tube, scribing lines on the back surface and partially filling them with white paint, then completing the filling with black paint. Light is introduced into the plastic by flashlight lamps inserted into frosted holes at the lower edge. Edges of the clear plastic are painted black.

RECG's can be utilized to provide a record of heart pulse rates where the pulse rate alone and not the form of the RECG is of interest. To convert the RECG signals to a


FIG. 4-Action of dry-battery limiter stage of receiver
form suitable for pulse recording the signal is differentiated and amplified, then rectified, with a 1N34 diode to give a simple positive wide peak which actuates a pen on a moving-chart recorder.
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# Regenerating Composite Video Signals 


#### Abstract

Hum, d-c surge, poor low-frequency content and sync compression on incoming television signals from network or remote pickup must be standardized before local broadcast transmission. Stabilizing amplifier under control of local operator corrects single faults or combinations of several




The stabilizing amplifier is rack mounfed with a remote control panel for quick adjustment by operator

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TECHNICAL personnel in television stations are often faced with the problem of having to use drastically deteriorated, nonstandard composite video signals from a network or remote pickup. These signals may contain noise, hum, or spikes and video in the sync region.

[^7]The sync portion may be compressed, the high or low-frequency content may be poor or sync pulses may even be missing. A means must be provided to improve this deteriorated signal in order that the transmitter output be compatible with FCC requirements.
A so-called stabilizing amplifier has been developed that regenerates such degraded signals. As shown
in Fig. 1, the equipment comprises two main channels; the video amplifier and the sync amplifier. This unit is a device for expanding the sync portion of a composite video signal and clamping during the sync back porch interval. Such clamping will restore low-frequency response and eliminate low-frequency transients despite any synctip modulation.

The degree of sync expansion is sufficient to provide standard output with as little as 17 percent sync on the input signal. Percentage of sync content in the output signal is adjustable. For varying composite video inputs, the unit will maintain a constant sync level in the output.

## Functional Arrangement

The video channel (upper half of drawing) has two stages of amplification and a cathode follower whose grid is clamped. This signal is then clipped and amplified in the next stage where either local or remote sync may be added through the sync insertion tube. The next stage is a cathode follower that drives two identical output stages to give one signal for the transmitter or network and one for monitoring purposes.

The sync channel (lower half of Fig. 1) has one stage of amplification followed by a sync separator and two additional stages of amplification. At this point, part of the signal feeds the sync insertion tube.


FIG. 1-Simplified schematic diagram of television video stabilizing amplifier

Another portion feeds a cathode follower to provide a negative remote composite sync signal for use in synchronizing local and remote equipment. The third portion feeds a differentiating circuit coupled to a selective stage that amplifies only the part of the differentiated signal corresponding to the trailing edge of the sync pulses. This signal drives another amplifier whose output is two clamp drive pulses of equal amplitude but opposite polarity.

## Circuit Details

The simplified schematic of the stabilizing amplifier shows that the input is terminated in 75 ohms for use with coaxial cable. A 5-to-1 attenuation switch and a potentiometer constitute the gain control for the video channel. The sync channel input depends only on the position of the attenuation switch.

The first two tubes in the video channel $V_{1}$ and $V_{2}$ are shunt-peaked
video amplifiers. The grid of the next tube, $V_{5}$, a 6AH6 triode-connected pentode, is clamped during the back porch of the sync by a 4 -diode bridge clamp. This action is shown in more detail in Fig. 2A. Clamping is necessary to keep the blanking or black level constant so that the sync-clipping level adjusted in the next stage will remain constant regardless of the video content of the signal.

The black negative composite video signal that appears at the cathode of $V_{s}$ is fed through a series negative clipper circuit detailed in Fig. 2B. A 1N54A ger-

## Table I-Sync Switch and Clamp Switch Combinations

| Sync | Clamp | Sync | Clamp |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Switch | Switch | Inserted | Drive |
| (1) Local | Local | Local | Local |
| (2) Local | Remote | Local | Remote |
| (3) Clamp | Local | Local | Local |
| (4) Clamp | Remote | Remote | Remot |

manium diode is employed as the variable level clipper. The adjustable bias for the diode is supplied from the cathode resistor on $V_{0}$, a 6AG5 whose cathode current is adjusted by means of screen-voltage variation.

This method of biasing presents a low d-c source impedance that prevents the bias from changing with varying signal amplitude. The amplitude of the signal at this point is large enough to minimize the effect of the crystal nonlinearity at small positive voltages. Therefore, there is at most a 2 percent loss of setup. The clipped signal is fed to $V_{8}$, a 6AH6 shunt-peaked video amplifier that also employs some cathode peaking, indicated in Fig. 2 C .

## Regenerated-Sync Insertion

The plate load of this tube is common to the sync-insertion amplifier $V_{i}$, a 6AG5. The sync-expand potentiometer provides a variable


FIG. 2-Individual circuit elements of Fig. 1 discussed in text
bias to control the amount of sync signal above the cutoff point on the grid of $V_{-}$. The rise time of this sync is excellent because only a small portion of the sync is used to obtain the required amplitude at the plate of $V_{7}$. Therefore, on the plate of $V_{s}$ will appear a composite black positive video signal whose video amplitude is adjusted by the videochannel gain control and whose sync amplitude is adjusted by the sync-expand control described above. Each is independent of the other.
This composite signal is applied to the grid of a cathode follower that drives two output stages, one of which is shown at Fig. 2D. It consists of two 6AQ5's connected in parallel whose plates are a-c coupled to a source termination of 75 ohms. Each of these output stages furn-
ishes a standard RTMA 1.4 -volt composite black negative video signal across a 75 -ohm termination.

The first tube in the sync channel, $V_{14}$, a 6AH6 pentode, amplifies and inverts the composite black negative video input signal. The second tube, $V_{10}$, a 6BA6 pentode, is grid leak biased. On account of the grid d-c restoring action and the large sync-positive signal amplitude appearing at its grid, this tube compresses and clips the video or negative portion of the signal. The gain characteristic of the tube is controlled by variation of its screen voltage.
The third tube, $V_{17}$, is a $6 J 6$ dualtriode connected as a two-stage voltage amplifier. These tubes are overdriven as a result of the large grid-signal amplitude and therefore clip the positive and negative peaks
of the input signal. The output signal is pure composite negative sync. A portion of this signal is fed to a 6J6 cathode follower, $V_{18}$, whose negative composite-sync output is used for synchronization of local and remote equipment.

A second portion is available for sync insertion in the video channel through the sync switch. A third portion is differentiated by the R-C grid-coupling network that feeds the next tube, $V_{19}$, a clamp-pulse amplifier. This is shown in Fig. 2E. The tube is a 6.J6 dual triode whose first half, $V_{1 n s}$, is biased so that it only amplifies the positive portion of the differentiated sync pulses. These positive signals correspond to the trailing edges of the sync pulses.

The second half of $V_{1 \cap B}$ amplifies these pulses and feeds them to the clamp-drive tube, $V_{20}$, a parallel-connected 6J6. Equal plate and ca-thode-load resistors furnish clampdrive pulses from the plate and cathode of equal amplitude but opposite polarity.

## Operational Combinations

By placing the clamp switch in the local position, $V_{15}$ is disabled and $V_{18}$ energized. Thus, local sync may be used to drive the clamp and also to feed the sync insertion tube $V_{i}$. There are four combinations of the sync and clamp switches. Of the four possible combinations, there are only three that are different as indicated in Table I. With these three combinations, however, much signal improvement resulte.

## Types of Degradation

There are several faults possible with an incoming network or remote signal. These faults may appear individually or in combinations. Some of the more common shown in Fig. 3 are hum, d-c surge, poor low-frequency content, and sync compression. The action of the clamp in the video channel will overcome the first three difficulties despite any sync-tip modulation because the clamping occurs during the back-porch interval. The signal may now have the sync portion removed by clipping at the desired level.

As explained previously, either remote or local sync may now be in-
serted to any desired degree, thus overcoming sync-compression difficulties with the remote-input signal. If it has been chosen to add local sync, it is necessary that the local and remote sync signals be synchronized. This is accomplished by sync-co-ordinating equipment driven with the negative remote composite sync signal available from this unit.

Through use of long lines and microwave links the incoming network signal has often lost most of its setup. This too may be improved by adding local negative mixed blanking at the sync input terminal instead of local sync. This type of operation also requires synchronization of local and remote equipment.

The control formerly used for sync expansion may now be used to vary the setup. Output signal from the unit would be a black negative video signal with variable setup but without sync. Used in this manner, the unit would be operating as a remote sync stripper and local sync could be added in some subsequent piece of equipment such as mixerline amplifier or switching gear.

Other signal conditions which


FIG. 3-Some common types of incoming video distortion


FIG. 4-Operation of sync-channel cleanup of spiking
may be improved with this unit are: video in the sync region, noisy signal, poor sync rise time, and missing sync pulses. The video in the sync region may be removed by the clipping circuit, and local or remote sync can be added in the sync insertion stage.

For a noisy signal or one with spiking extending into the sync region, the operation of the unit would be similar to that described. Original sync would be clipped and standard RTMA sync pulses added. An explanation of the operation of the sync channel in the presence of noise or spiking is shown in Fig. 4. Signal $A$ is the input signal applied to the grid of $V_{14}$. That shown at $B$ is the amplified inverted signal appearing at the grid of $V_{i,}$. As mentioned before, the grid-leak bias and the d-c restoring action of the $V_{15}$ grid-cathode circuit tends to keep the sync tips near ground potential regardless of signal modu-
lation and biases the tube near or beyond cutoff.

The resulting signal on the plate of $V_{15}$ and the grid of $V_{15}$ is shown in Fig. 4C. This signal amplitude is large enough to overdrive $V_{17}$ and thus its output is clipped in the manner shown by the dotted lines in $D$. The final result is a clean composite sync signal with improved rise time and no modulation. This unit will operate well with sig-nal-to-noise ratios as low as 5 -to-1, or sync to video ratio of 17 percent.

Signals containing sync with poor rise time are improved in much the same manner. The amplification and clipping improve the rise time of the pulse. In addition, when the sync is added to the video, it is done as shown in Fig. 2F. The average signal level is moved in relation to cutoff by the bias or syncexpand control. Only 25 to 30 percent of the signal is necessary to give the proper amplitude at the plate for addition to the video signal. This greatly increases the rise time of the output sync. Sync output rise times as low as 0.05 microsecond have been measured with inputs of the order of 0.50 microsecond.

## Loss of Remote Sync

When the remote sync generator functions erratically in such a manner that there are missing sync pulses or sporadic sync breakdown, it becomes necessary if not imperative to add local sync. For clamp operation and synchronization of local and remote equipment, a few missing sync pulses do not cause a serious situation. It is possible then to clamp and synchronize with the remote sync pulses and insert local sync for the output signal.

The frequency response of the video amplifier in this unit is down 1 db at 7.5 mc and down 6 db at 10 mc . The inputs are 0.5 to 2.0 volts peak-to-peak composite black negative video into 75 ohms and 3.5 to 8.0 volts peak-to-peak negative sync or blanking into 75 ohms. Outputs are two standard RTMA 1.4volt neak-to-peak black negative composite video signals across 75 ohms, and 1.5 volts of negative remote sync across 75 ohms or 10 volts unterminated.

High frequency stability and good output waveshape are provided by R-L oscillator. Tunes linearly over the range from 1,000 to 500,000 cycles by means of a simple frequency control and a vernier

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BRIDGE-TYPE oscillators are simple in design, capable of almost pure sinusoidal output and able to cover wide frequency ranges. Such units have been designed to generate frequencies which cover the audio, ultrasonic and low radio-frequency spectra with excellent waveform and stability of output frequency and amplitude ${ }^{2}$. Components required for the construction of such units are inexpensive and easily obtained and need not be of particular tolerance.

Basically, a bridge oscillator is a broad-band amplifier whose input and output terminals are the terminals of a frequency-selective bridge network.

The function of the bridge network is to compare a degenerative and a regenerative alternating voltage on the basis of frequency selection, allowing regeneration only at the frequency for which the bridge is balanced. All other frequencies are attenuated. The types of bridges to be used in conventional units have been discussed extensively elsewhere. ${ }^{\text {n. }}{ }^{3}$

One of the basic problems of most oscillators is the fact that the frequency dial is nonlinear and often is compressed at particular sections of the scale. When it is necessary for the frequency dial to be linear, specially constructed variable capacitors are required.

In the bridge described herein all the features of typical bridge oscillators are retained, together with a unique characteristic which allows the choice of practically any tuning curve, one of which is perfectly linear. The controls are two in
number; one varies the frequency rapidly, while the other is a linear vernier at any point in the range.

The diagram of Fig. 1 shows the basic configuration of the R-L type oscillator. The frequency-dependent components are confined to the positive feedback loop.

Oscillation takes place when the regenerative voltage is equal to or slightly greater than the degenerative voltage and the phase relations are correct. The phase and amplitude characteristics of the bridge are plotted in Fig. 2. These characteristics compare favorably with other bridge oscillators. Greater selectivity is obtainable with certain bridge-network equivalents but at the expense of more involved controls and with no possibility of simple linearity.

If losses in the two bridge inductances are considered, assuming the inductances are operated well below their resonant frequencies and are therefore substantially independent of frequency, the bridge relationships may be written

$$
\begin{equation*}
\omega^{2}=\frac{R^{2}-r^{2}}{L^{2}} \text { and } \frac{R_{2}}{R_{1}}=\frac{R}{2(R+r)} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $r$ is the resistance of inductance $L$ considered as a series resistance.

$$
\omega^{2}=\frac{R^{2}}{L^{2}}-\frac{r^{2}}{L^{2}}=\omega_{0}^{2}-\frac{\omega^{2}}{Q^{2}}
$$

where $\quad Q^{2}=\frac{\omega^{2} L^{2}}{r^{2}}$

$$
\omega / \omega_{0}=\frac{1}{\left(1+1 / Q^{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}
$$

Therefore, when $Q=10, \omega / \omega_{0}=$ 0.995 .

The oscillator will operate in ac-


FIG. 1-Basic schematic of oscillator


FIG. 2-Phase and amplitude characteristics


FIG. 3-Tuning characteristic of the oscillator
cordance with Eq. 1 to at least 0.5 percent as indicated as long as the Q's of the inductors used are equal or greater than 10 . Such inductors are easily attainable in practice without special expedients.

Equation 1 indicates the novel characteristic of this type of bridge oscillator and may be termed the oscillator law. Consideration of this statement shows that frequency is linear with resistance, as shown in Fig. 3, in those cases where the values of the resistance in the two arms are the same. One

# Has Linear Tuning 

result is a vernier type of oscillator, simple and accurate with no involved calibration necessary.

Figure 4 shows a schematic diagram for such a unit in which a dual-inductance switch controls the frequency ranges. The dual linear potentiometers or decade boxes control variations within each range which are entirely linear.

The two fixed matched resistors $R_{\text {" }}$ employed in the arms of the bridge are used to fix the lower limit of frequency. With accurate inductors and potentiometers or decade resistance boxes, the unit is capable of a high degree of accuracy. No calibration curve is needed. The unit is checked against any single external standard frequency within its range of operation. The linear law then establishes all other generated frequencies.

It is sometimes desirable to have the oscillator tune in a nonlinear manner, but which follows some arbitrary curve. In such a case, the expression which governs the action of the oscillator is given as

$$
\omega=\left[\frac{R_{3} R_{4}}{L_{1} L_{2}}\right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \text { to at least } \frac{1}{2} \text { percent }
$$

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { also } & \text { if } Q_{1} \text { and } Q_{2} \geq 10 \\
\frac{R_{2}}{R_{1}}= & \frac{L_{2} R_{4}}{L_{1}\left(R_{3}+r_{1}\right)+L_{2}\left(R_{1}+r_{2}\right)}
\end{array}
$$



Typical oscillator construction. Tuning unit and amplifier have separate chassis

The same bridge circuit as shown may still be used, but the resistors will no longer be the same. Either one fixed and one variable resistor may be used, or two resistors of unequal values may be varied to control the frequency. Further variations of the linearity are possible by fixing either of the inductances and varying the other, or by varying unequal inductances or at an unequal rate.

The oscillator is economical and simple to construct and adjust. Values for $R$ and $L$ are not given, since they are a function of the frequency desired, and may be computed easily from the basic relationships. The unit shown in the photograph covered the range from


FIG. 4-Schematic diagram of R-L oscillator. For linear case $R_{3}=R_{4}=R$ and $L_{1}=L_{2}=L$

1,000 to 500,000 cycles. The dual inductive range used was 500 to 20 mh . The dual potentiometer was 50,000 ohms.

A three-watt lamp $R_{2}$ is used as a means of amplitude control but the unit seems to have negligible amplitude variation without this expedient. A frequency stability better than 0.01 percent was obtained without any precautions. In a ten-hour continuous run at ten kc , the drift was better than 10 cps . At output levels of the order of 10 volts or lower, the output is very nearly a pure sine wave. At higher outputs, between 10 and 150 volts, the waveform is distorted in accordance with the particular characteristics of the amplifier used.

The only precautions observed in the construction of the oscillator were that of shielding the amplifier and the tuning unit. In general, it is only necessary that the inductors be shielded from each other.

Several methods of varying the inductors were tried and stepswitching and slug-tuning methods were successful. There are a number of linear potentiometers on the market with a variety of tolerances.

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# Gated Amplifier 



Rear view shows use of broadcast-type variable capacitors for setting frequency

MANY METHODS of wave analysis have been devised. Most of these possess one or more of the following disadvantages : the equipment required is quite elaborate and expensive; the frequency and amplitude of low-frequency components are not determined accurately; the frequency range is limited; the impedance offered by the instrument is not constant; tuning is not sharp resulting from low-Q circuits; the equipment is not readily portable.

A research program was launched to investigate the possibility of using a gated amplifier as a method of wave analysis which possesses none of the above mentioned disadvantages. The successful result of this investigation is the analyzer described herein.

## Theory Review

If a sine wave is applied to the input of a gated amplifier and if the input wave and the gate are in phase, the output will have the form indicated in Fig. 1A.

The output meter will read the average value of this function. However, if their frequencies are very slightly different, their relative phase will be slowly changing. In this case, shortly after the time of Fig. 1A, the output will be of the
form shown in Fig. 1B.
Again the meter reads the average of this waveform; the average here being somewhat less than that of Fig. 1A. Still later, the waveform will be as shown in Fig. 1C.

The meter reading has dropped to zero which is the average of this waveform. Some time later, the waveform will be as shown in Fig. 1D.

The meter now reads a maximum in the opposite direction from the direction of Fig. 1A.

As the phase changes, the meter reading varies from a maximum in one direction to a maximum in the opposite direction and back again. The frequency of this movement is equal to the difference between the gate frequency and the input frequency. However, because the meter has a certain amount of inertia, it is able to respond only if the difference frequency is of the order of a few cycles per second.

With this arrangement it would seem that a nonsinusidal wave could be analyzed by varying the frequency of the gate and noting the frequency at which beats occur. The appearance of beats should indicate the presence of a frequency component in the complex wave equal to the gate fre-

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quency with amplitude proportional to the amplitude of the beats.

Figure 2 shows a block diagram of the analyzer.

The circuit consists of three parts: a gating pulse generator, an input attenuator and amplifier, and an amplifier which is turned alternately on and off (gated) by the square wave.

The circuit used for generating the gating pulse for the amplifier is a square-wave generator. Most of the square-wave generators investigated for this purpose were far more elaborate than was desired. Various forms of multivibrators were tried. The circuit finally chosen was a symmetrical multivibrator with zero grid return as described by Terman.

The multivibrator uses resistance capacitance elements for tuning. As shown in Fig. 3, its frequency varies inversely with values of $C$ and $R$. Because variable capacitors such as are used in radio receivers have a capacitance ratio slightly larger than 10 to 1 , and because of their availability, standard two-gang capacitors of about 500 -w. f maximum capacitance for each section are used as the frequency control. A range-changing switch changes $R$ values in such a manner as to obtain frequency multiplying factors of 2 , $10,100,1,000$, and 10,000 . The frequency for any setting of the two controls is then the product of the dial reading and the multiplying switch reading.

## Complete Circuit

Referring to Fig. 3, $V_{1}$ and $V_{2}$, together with their associated circuits, constitute a symmetrical multivibrator. The variable capacitors provide a means of attaining a vari-able-frequency square wave, while a

# Wave Analyzer 

# Direct-reading instrument quantitatively determines components of complex waveforms in the audio-frequency range. Accuracy is good, especially at low audio frequencies, and distortion introduced by instrument is less than one percent 

choice of resistors make possible several ranges of frequency. The plate resistors were chosen as small as possible to improve the square waveform and yet retain sufficient amplitude ( 60 volts peak to peak) to utilize the square wave as a gate.

This square wave is fed to the grid of a cathode follower $V_{3}$, whose function is to isolate the multivibrator from the circuits which follow. The gain here is approximately unity.

The output square wave from the cathode of $V_{s}$ is coupled to the SQUARE wAVE terminals, in the event it is desired to use the instrument as a square-wave generator, and to the grid of $V_{4}$. This grid is biased at 45 volts positive. The tube is alternately switched on and off by the square wave. Because $V_{4}$, $V_{5}$ and $V_{6}$ have a common cathode resistor, the potential on the cathodes of $V_{5}$ and $V_{8}$ is high when $V_{4}$ is conducting and low when $V_{4}$ is cut off.

The grids of $V_{5}$ and $V_{n}$ are biased at 50 volts positive potential. When $V_{4}$ is conducting, the cathodes of $V_{5}$ and $V_{n}$ are 75 volts positive, giving these tubes a negative grid-cathode
potential of 25 volts which cuts them off. When $V_{4}$ is cut off, the cathodes of $V_{5}$ and $V_{6}$ are 57 volts


FIG. l-Curves show output of gated amplifier for sinewave input at various phase angles


FIG. 2-Block diagram of stages in the wave analyzer
positive, giving them a net negative bias of 7 volts which allows them to conduct.

The gating action of $V_{*}$ causes the plate voltages of $V_{5}$ and $V_{0}$ to rise and fall together between 280 and 200 volts when conducting. Under these conditions, the reading of meter $M_{1}$ is zero.

Cathode follower $V_{\text {F }}$ isolates the meter tubes from the input. Its cathode resistor is chosen to give 7 volts bias with a gain of about 0.8 , allowing a peak-to-peak swing on the input of about 17 volts.

The input attenuator is a conventional potential divider presenting a constant impedance of one and a half megohms, thereby minimizing loading effects upon the signal voltage source.

The output of $V_{s}$ is fed to the grid of $V_{\theta}$, which is alternately conducting and nonconducting.
If the input frequency coincides with the frequency of the gate, and if their phase difference is zero, the waveform on the plate of $V_{\kappa}$ appears as in Fig. 4A. At the same time, the waveform on the plate of $V_{5}$ is that of Fig. 4B because $V_{\text {s }}$ and $V$. have a common cathode resistor;


FIG 3-Complete circuit, less power supply. The multivibrator range switch provides frequency-multiplying factors of $2,10,100$,
1,000 and 10,000 . Auxiliary terminals are provided for using the square wave output of the multivibrator separately


FIG. 4-Oscillograms show waveforms on plates of meter tubes
and the voltage between the plates of tubes $V_{5}$ and $V_{8}$ results in pulses of current through $M_{1}$ which reads the average d-c voltage difference. This reading is proportional to the amplitude of that component of the input signal whose frequency coincides with the gate frequency.

If the phase difference is 180 degrees, the voltage waveforms are as pictured in 4 C and 4 D and the meter reads a maximum in the opposite direction. The slow changing of the phase difference results in the modulation of the meter by the difference frequency.

Any steady deflection present in the meter with no input, may be balanced out by the ZERO ADJUST potentiometer.

## Stability

The frequency of the multivibrator is a function of the mu of $V_{1}$ and $V_{2}$ so these tubes must be matched. Symmetry of the square wave was achieved by inserting a
milliammeter in the plate circuit of each tube and adjusting the value of the grid resistors until the two meters read the same value of average plate current for each tube, indicating that off-times are equal.

A regulated power supply must be used because the frequency of the multivibrator is a function of its plate voltage.

## Calibration

The dial is calibrated in cycles per second. Frequency calibration curves need be used only if great accuracy in reading the frequency is desired.
The meter $M_{1}$ is calibrated in volts by using an input of known frequency and amplitude, and adjusting the potentiometer (CALIbration adjust) in series with the meter.

At frequencies below 25 cps , operation was improved by shunting the meter with a $4-u f$ capacitor. This capacitor filters out the gate
frequency which appears at low frequencies.

## Performance

To check performance, signals of 3 -volts amplitude and various frequencies were applied to the input. The meter reading was flat from 10 to about $30,000 \mathrm{cps}$. Above $30,-$ 000 cps , tuning is so sharp that amplitude measurements are very difficult. Below 10 cps , amplitude readings decrease sharply.

For frequencies of $10,60,400$, 1,000 and $10,000 \mathrm{cps}$, various voltages from 0.1 volt to 300 volts were applied to the input. The meter reading was linear and correct over this range provided the proper attenuation was applied to prevent meter deflections of over 30 units. Deflections above 30 ma draw too much current from the plates of $V_{5}$ and $V_{0}$, resulting in loss of gain and nonlinear meter deflections.

The wave shape of the gating pulse was observed on the cathode of $V_{3}$ at frequencies ranging from 2 to $100,000 \mathrm{cps}$. The wave shape was excellent up to frequencies of about $10,000 \mathrm{cps}$. At this point, the corners of the square wave began to round off. However, the square wave is able to operate effectively as a gate, even though rounded, because its amplitude is larger than is necessary to switch the meter tubes.

Amplitude readings for the various components should be taken with a beat frequency of about 1 cns. An amplitude reading taken with zero beat frequency will be in error because the reading of the output meter is a function of the relative phase of the gate frequency and the particular component frequency being studied as well as be-

(B)

FIFTH HARMONIC

(C) SEVENTH HARMONIC

FIG. 5-Oscillograms of meter tube plate waveforms for old harmonics
ing a function of that component's amplitude.

## Operation

Suppose a sine wave with a frequency of 600 cps is applied to the input. The operator begins to search, starting at the high frequency end of the spectrum. The meter reading is zero until the gate frequency approaches, within a few cps , the frequency of the sine wave. Further searching will reduce the difference frequency to 1 cps . The meter reading varies from a maximum in one direction to a maximum in the other direction as the phase of the gate and the input vary from zero to 180 degrees. Figure 4 A shows the waveform present at the plate $V_{0}$ when the two frequencies are equal with zero phase difference.

As the operator continues to search the remaining lower portion of the frequency spectrum, a reading is obtained at 200 cps , although 600 cps is being applied to the input. This reading is one-third that of the reading obtained at 600 cps . Figure 5A shows the waveform present at the plate of $V_{\sigma}$ when the gate frequency is one-third that of the input frequency with zero phase difference. Under these conditions, the meter should and does give an average d-c reading of one-third the value obtained previously.

Figures 5B and 5C show that similar readings will be obtained at gate frequencies which are one-fifth and one-seventh that of the input with amplitudes correspondingly decreased. Figures 6A, 6B and 6C show that the even harmonics of the gate frequency result in an average d-c reading of zero. Here-
in lies the peculiarity of the instrument. It does pass the odd harmonics, although at increasingly decreased amplitudes (Fig. 7).

For a complex wave composed of frequencies such that the lowest frequency present is higher than one-third of the highest frequency present, the instrument, within the limits of its frequency and sensitivity ranges, analyzes the wave completely and accurately, determining the frequency and amplitude of each component. Such a wave might be one composed of these frequencies: $1,200,1,150$, $1,000,875,600$ and 483 cps . Another example might be a wave made up of frequency components of 11,180 , $9,350,5,000$ and $4,019 \mathrm{cps}$.

To examine a wave composed of the following frequencies and amplitudes: $1,000 \mathrm{cps}$ at 10 volts, 2,000 cps at 5 volts and $3,000 \mathrm{cps}$ at 3 volts, the operator begins at the high-frequency end. At a dial setting of $3,000 \mathrm{cps}$ the meter reads 3 volts. At 2,000, it reads 5 volts. But at 1,000 , it reads 11 voltsall 10 volts of the fundamental plus
one-third of the 3 volts of the third harmonic. However, an operator with some experience and technique is able to analyze a complex wave quite adequately.

Future work might be done on the design of an additional circuit which would eliminate the odd harmonics.

The fact that the input to the meter tube cannot exceed about five volts rms naturally limits the sensitivity of the instrument. For all attenuator positions, frequency components whose strength is about 1 percent of the strongest component present can be detected and measured.

Frequencies as close together as 5 cps can be separated and their amplitudes measured.

Distortion introduced by the instrument including intermodulation distortion is under 1 percent.

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FIG. 7 - Chart shows analyzer readings for $1,000 \mathrm{cps}$ square-wave input


FIG. 6 - Oscillograms of meter tube plate waveforms for even harmonics

## Decommutating

Automatic decommutator separates up to 27 intelligence channels which are time-division multiplexed using pulse-amplitude modulation on a single $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ subcarrier. All common telemetering commutation rates may be accomodated. System conserves bandwidth and increases intelligence-handling capacity


27-channel automatic decommutator for pulse-amplitude modulated telemetry


Four-channel separator incorporates four basic information gates and common power supply

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The Bendix THC-1 electronic decommutator shown in the photograph, is designed to handle the
two commutator configurations and several rates, which are finding continually wider application. Frontpanel switches permit rapid adjustment to either a system employing 15 intelligence channels at commutator speeds of 5,10 or 25 revolutions per second, or 27 intelligence channels at $2.5,5$ or 10 revolutions per second.
The decommutator simplifies data reduction since each intelligence channel, after separation and conversion, may be recorded on a separate oscillograph trace as an essentially continuous indication. Presentation of the individual channels on panel meters provides a valuable simultaneous indication of measured phenomena. A typical
input signal with corresponding decommutated output signals is shown in Fig. 2.

The input signal to the decommutator is the output from a subcarrier discriminator in a standard $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ telemetering receiving station. The discriminator serves to demodulate the frequency-modulated subcarrier and produce an output signal proportional to, and of the same form as, the signal that was employed to modulate the subcarrier oscillator in the airborne telemeter. The waveform is essentially as shown in Fig. 1 except that the keyed subcarrier frequencies have been converted to changes in direct-current level.

Figure 3 presents a functional

## Pulse Telemetry



Information gate is basic building block of electronic decommutator
block diagram of decommutator operation. The unseparated information pulse train is applied through a balanced low-pass filter to the input of a balanced, directcoupled information amplifier. Circuitry of the d-c amplifier is conventional. Two amplifier stages drive a cathode-follower output. Heavy inverse feeciback is utilized from the output to the cathodes of the input stage, insuring amplifier stability and reducing the effective output impedance to approximately twenty ohms. The information amplifier feeds twenty-eight paralleled information gates.

Several factors dictated the use of balanced circuitry in the information channels of the decommutator rather than single-ended circuitry requiring fewer components. First, nearly all discriminators employed for subcarrier demodulation use balanced-output circuitry.

Conversion to single-ended operation would reduce long-time stability by permitting variations of average current in the discriminator output tubes to appear as a system error. Second, the trend toward programs of tonger duration made the inherent stability of pushpull amplifiers a desirable feature for the decommutator itself. Third, much of the control and recording equipment available to military facilities at present employs balanced circuitry.

## Information Gates

Information gates are normally closed, and are opened by triggering pulses from associated counter stages. These triggering pulses are coincident in time with the leading edge of the information pulses. Therefore, information gates are opened, in sequence, to receive the same channel information pulse
each frame. The gate-input circuit consists of a pair of 6AL5 diodes connected back-to-back to minimize contact potential and also to pass signals of either polarity. A simplified gate schematic is shown in Fig. 4.

During the gate-closed period, the diodes are cut off due to the voltage developed across the diodeload resistors by current flow through the bias tubes. During the gate-open period, the bias tubes are prevented from conducting by the control tube, and information is passed through the diodes to storage circuits.

The storage circuits cause the output to be maintained at a level proportional to the informationpulse amplitude until the gate is again opened by the same channelopening pulse in the next frame. Nominal output of each information gate is $\pm 5$ milliamperes into a 330 -ohm load for band-edge-to-band-edge deflection of the subcarrier oscillator. A high-impedance, single-ended output is also provided from each gate. Linear output simplifies data reduction.

The storage circuit consists of a capacitor in the grid circuit of a specially designed cathode follower that meets the requirements of long time-constant and stability under essentially open-grid operating conditions. Gates are closed before the termination of the information pulse by a triggering voltage developed in the control unit, insuring that gate output is clamped at nearly peak value of the information pulse.

## Counter Circuitry

The problem of channel-synchronizing or counter circuitry, was coupled closely with system flexi-

## Table I-RDB Standard Commutation Rates

| Number of Channels to be Commutated | Commutation Rate Cycles per Sec | Samples per Second (Including Synchronization) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| 15 | 5 | 90 |
| 15 | 10 | 180 |
| 15 | 25 | 450 |
| 27 | 2.5 | 7.7 |
| 27 | 5 | 150 |
| 27 | 10 | 300 |



FIG. 1-Research and Development Board standard wave-forms for pulse-amplitude modulation of an f -m subcarrier. Maximum signal represents 7.5 -percent deviation from subcarrier center frequency


FIG. 2-Typical decommutator waveforms illustrate action of storage circuit. Output signal from information channel 2 shows original intelligence-carrying waveform reconstructed from sample pulses
bility. A tumble open-loop counter, consisting of a series of EcclesJordan trigger circuits, each providing sequential trigger pulses, was chosen. This type of counter has the advantage of expansion to any number of stages without the use of feedback or complex matrices.

Four such stages are included in each four-channel separator assembly and these groups of four counters are interconnected by isolating amplifiers. All counter stages are reset at the end of each information frame, or commutator revolution, by a master synchronization pulse. The choice of a tumble counter also simplified cabinet wiring since each counter stage is close to its associated information gate. The choice of four channels per separator unit was indicated by the divisibility of most commutator configurations by four, resulting usually in a spare channel in the decommutator.

In the decommutator control unit, positive-going information pulses at the output of the filter are applied to the control amplifier. Series diode limiters equalize pulse amplitudes, and a unique negative-feedback loop clamps the base line of the information wavetrain to a reference voltage. Output of the final stage of the amplifier, an Eccles-Jordan trigger circuit, is coincident with the original information pulse train, and is used to actuate the remaining control circuits.

## Stepping-Pulse Generator

The stepping-pulse generator consists of a univibrator that delivers output spikes coincident with the leading edge of each information
pulse. This positive pulse is transferred through an isolating cathode follower to an amplifier in each separator unit in use. Amplified and inverted, the pulse is then applied as common drive to the counter string, serving to synchronize information channels. Output trigger pulses from individual counter stages are fed through cathode followers and act to open the associated information gates. Up to seven of these cathode followers can be connected in parallel, by external patch cords, to trigger a single information gate, thereby increasing the frequency-response capability of an individual channel. The six bypassed information gates are inoperative under this condition.

## Gate_Closing Pulses

Gate-closing pulses are generated by a univibrator used as a delay circuit. It is forced into its unstable position by the leading edge of the control-amplifier output pulses. Upon return to the stable state, its positive output is differentiated and applied to all gates, serving to close the single open gate. The delay period is chosen by switching timing capacitors.

Forced reset of the counter is utilized to insure that the decommutator is synchronized with the airborne equipment at the beginning of every frame. A pulseselector circuit transforms the master synchronization pulse, which is five times the width of an individual information pulse, into an inverted sawtooth. This waveform is then differentiated and amplified. The resultant reset pulse, coincident with the trailing edge of the master pulse, is applied to all reset grids of the counter.

Reliability of the decommutation equipment is increased by the pulse synthesizer, which injects a substitute pulse to the stepping-pulse generator to replace a missing information pulse, and thereby maintains decommutator synchronization with the airborne commutator. Output of the synthesizer is gated so that with all information pulses present, no synthetic pulses are supplied to the equipment. If it were not for the synthesizer, all channels following a missing pulse would be recorded on the wrong receiving channel because the counter would not have been stepped one count for the missing pulse. The synthesizer consists of a voltage-controlled multivibrator, a combination phase-comparator and gating circuit, and a gate that is normally closed to prevent signal output. Up to five consecutive pulses may be replaced accurately by the synthesizer. Replacement of a much larger number is possible if the airborne commutator has speed stability and freedom from jitter.

## System Layout

Standardization and operating convenience were achieved by dividing the equipment into a number of plug-in assemblies. Input filters, amplifiers, control and synchronization circuitry are included in the THS-1 decommutator control unit. This unit also contains the master rate-entrol switch and system-test circuitry.

Trigger pulses for control of individual information gates are generated in a number of THK-1 four-channel separator units. Each separator unit provides plug-in mounting for four information gates. A self-contained, regulated
power supply furnishes power required by the separator and the four information gates. The number of four-channel units employed with any individual system is dictated by the system channel requirements.

Separating the trigger circuitry from the information gates simplified the technical problems of multiple opening of an individual gate within each frame, or commutator revolution. This feature provides an excellent means for monitoring a function that cannot be placed on a separate subcarrier channel but requires higher frequency response than is available with one sample per revolution. Separation of the trigger stages from the gates also simplifies the problem of bringing the trigger signals out to a patch bay on the four-channel separator. The trigger signals may be cross connected by patch cords between units with up to seven trigger signals being fed to a single gate.

## Design Features

Removal of pulse circuitry from each individual information gate, and the use of several integral power supplies are a new approach to the problem of system flexibility. The design engineer who must anticipate expanding program requirements can acquire, in the beginning, a 15 -channel system, expand the equipment after a few months to the 27 -channel system and eventually procure a system that may have in excess of 40 chan-
nels. The new configuration eliminates the need for power supplies with inconveniently high capacity. Units are plugged into a standard cabinet for the 15 -channel system. Addition of a standard cabinet and units expands the system up to 32 channels, and more cabinets and units may be added if larger systems are adopted.

Four THG-1 information gates shown in the photograph plug into each separator. The configuration provides one spare for either the 15 or 27 -channel system. The spare is maintained in operating condition with heaters on. Panel meters on the gates provide an indication proportional to the measured function.

Other units are the dual regulated power supply, which furnishes power for the decommutator control unit, and centrifugal blower units for cooling. The quiet operation afforded by the centrifugal blowers enables the system operator to perform normally the many functions during an operation without a distracting high ambient noise level that can contribute to mistakes.

## Test Circuitry

Test condition for the equipment is obtained upon the removal of input signal. With no signal applied to the decommutator, the pulse synthesizer supplies stepping pulses to the counter, but does not actuate the gate-closing generator nor the reset circuit. Counter outputs both


FIG. 3-Block diagram of electronic decommutator for 27 channels. Counter circuits supply sequencing trigger pulses to information gates


FIG. 4-Information gate is opened by sequencing pulse. Storage circuit holds information during off time
open and close the information gates. The constant operation of circuits such as the counter stages and the information-gate control tubes helps prevent cathode deterioration, a common trouble with counter-type circuitry.

Under test conditions, two additional counters, normally inoperative with signal input, complete the counter chain. The output of the second of these counters is used to reset the counter every counter cycle. With the equipment in this condition, the power supplies and information amplifier may be adjusted, and the information gates balanced. The only operating adjustments consist of setting output levels and recorder calibration.

Test cathode followers are included in the control unit, with input and output-circuit jacks available on the front panel. Strategically chosen test points are available on two ten-position test switches for oscilloscope observation. Provisions are included to mix waveforms, thus permitting pulse phase comparisons with single-beam oscilloscopes.

Tests indicate that the decommutation equipment should introduce an error of less than 1 percent. The frequency response is normally considered to be approximately one fifth the frame rate, (rps of the commutator). The response can be increased to almost one half the frame rate by employing integration filters and slight circuit modification, but such response is seldom required for commutated functions.

Coordination of layout and mechanical design was contributed by C. P. Wiggins and R. A. Hanson. R. E. Cunningham solved the difficult pulse and timing-circuit problems.

# Electronic Ānalog 

## Application of electronic analog computers to systems study and analysis is described. Author shows derivation of electronic analog for processes of summation, integration and differentiation. Solution is shown for a typical closed-loop system

ANy systems study or analysis resolves itself into the problem of obtaining the response equation of the system and then solving the equation for the particular set of circumstances involved.

The prime use of the electronic analog computer is to obtain this solution of the response equation. The analogy involved is a mathematical one wherein an electronic analog is set up to perform the actual mathematical operations indicated by the solution to the equation.

The heart of the electronic analog computer is a d-c amplifier with specified characteristics. The design of such amplifiers and the difficulties encountered therein have been the subject of many articles which are readily available for reference. Since the performance of the amplifier in an electronic analog computer is of a particular type that can be obtained through the familiar methods of amplifier technique, the design of such an amplifier will not be discussed herein. It will suffice to discuss only the requirements of the amplifier insofar as they affect its operation as a computing mechanism.

Primarily the amplifier must

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have sufficiently flat frequency response to cover the range of frequencies encountered in the functions which result in the solution to the equation. The second requirement is that there can be no flow of current in the input stage to the amplifier. Perhaps the most important requirement of the amplifier is that it have a high gain in the frequency range in which it is used. The direct result of low gain in the amplifier is error in the solution. The minimum gain that can be tolerated is dependent upon the accuracy requirement of the solution to the system under investigation.

## Basic Computer Element

Figure 1A is a functional diagram of a d-c amplifier used to form the basic element in the analog computer. It is from this element that all operations are performed. The element is formed by using a d-c amplifier with a gain of $K$ and a feedback impedance $Z_{2}$. The input signal to be operated upon is introduced through a series impedance $Z_{1}$.

Figure 1 B is an equivalent cir-

## BACKGROUND

Electronic analog computers were born of necessity to fill man's need for a machine to do the mathematics involved in certain scientific investigations. They currently find widest application in making systems studies and analysis of servomechanisms and related equipment.

This article summarizes the fundamental operating principles involved for readers who are not presently engaged in computer design or operation
cuit from which the following voltage equations are obtained:

$$
\begin{align*}
& e_{i}=I_{1} Z_{1}+e_{1}  \tag{1}\\
& e_{1}=I_{2} Z_{2}+e_{o}  \tag{2}\\
& e_{1}=\frac{e_{o}}{K} \tag{3}
\end{align*}
$$

Solving Eq. 1 for the current:

$$
\begin{equation*}
I_{1}=\frac{1}{Z_{1}}\left[e_{i}-e_{1}\right] \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Recalling the requirement that the input stage of the amplifier draw no current, it is seen that $I_{1}$ must equal $I_{2}$. Substituting Eq. 4 for $I_{2}$ and Eq. 3 for $e_{1}$ in Eq. 2 the following results:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{e_{a}}{K}=-\frac{Z_{2}}{Z_{1}}\left[e_{i}-\frac{e_{0}}{K}\right]+e_{o} \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Rearranging terms in Eq. 5:

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{o}\left[\frac{Z_{2}}{Z_{1} \bar{K}}+\frac{1}{\bar{K}}-1\right]=\frac{Z_{2}}{Z_{1}} e_{i} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

If the amplifier has the required gain, the term involving $K$ will be very much smaller than unity. Hence Eq. 6 can be reduced.

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{o}=-\frac{Z_{2}}{Z_{1}} e_{i} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Equation 7 is the characteristic expression for the output as a function of the input to the computer element. By proper choice of the input and feedback impedances, the element can be made to perform the required mathematical operations in the solution of linear differential equations. The expression is independent of the gain of the amplifier as long as those terms involving the gain are very much less than one. Examination of Eq. 6 will show that for these terms to disappear from the characteristic equation, the value of $K$ must be very large. Experience has shown that as long as the gain of

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the amplifier is over 10,000 the error introduced is negligible as compared with normal instrumentation errors.

## Summation

Figure 2A shows the method of using the basic element to obtain the sum of several quantities. For this purpose, the input and feedback impedances are pure resistance. An analysis of this circuit will result in the following expression for the output:

$$
\begin{align*}
e_{o}= & -Z_{2}\left[\frac{e_{1}}{Z_{11}}+\frac{e_{2}}{Z_{12}}+\frac{e_{3}}{Z_{13}}\right. \\
& \left.\ldots+\frac{e_{n}}{Z_{1 n}}\right] \tag{8}
\end{align*}
$$

In some instances, it may be desired to subtract one or more quantities in the same operation that is used to obtain a sum. In this case, it is necessary to insert an additional summing circuit to change the sign of those quantities to be subtracted. If the feedback and input resistances are of equal magnitude, the output will differ from the input only in sign.

## Integration

The quadrature method of solving differential equations where the variables are separable involves direct integration; hence, the most used element in the electronic analog computer is the one used for integration. Figure 2B shows the integrating element of the analog computer in which the input impedance is pure resistance and the feedback impedance is capacitive. By applying Eq. 7 to this circuit, the following expression for the output is obtained:

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{o}=-\frac{1}{j \omega R C} e_{i} \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

To show that this expression represents the integral of the input to the computing element, it is necessary to digress from the present topic and discuss operational methods used in systems analyses.

In the solution of linear differ-
ential equations with constant coefficients, the method using LaPlace transforms reduces mathematical complexity. Here, an operator $p$ replaces the differential equation by an algebraic one involving $p$. In using this method, an integral in the differential equation will appear as a term involving $1 / p$ in the algebraic equation. In this algebraic equation, the operator $p$ can be replaced by $j \omega$ to obtain the steady state condition for sinusoidal excitation.

Consider the voltage drop across a capacitor $C$ which has a current $i$ flowing through it. Then

$$
\begin{equation*}
E_{\varepsilon}=\frac{1}{C} \int i d t \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

Putting Eq. 10 into LaPlace transform form:

$$
\begin{equation*}
E_{c}(p)=\frac{1}{p C} I(p) \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

Now, replacing $p$ by $j \omega$ we find that the voltage takes the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
E_{c}(j \omega)=\frac{1}{j \omega C} I(j \omega)=-j X_{c} I \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

Neglecting any mathematical rigor, it will be sufficient to say that the appearance of the term $1 / j \omega$ indicates that an integration has been performed. Applying this to Eq. 9 , we find the output of the integrating element:

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{o}=-\frac{1}{R C} \int e_{i} d t \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

In any operation involving integration, the need for representing the constant of integration becomes evident. Since the constant of integration is the initial value of the variable in the analog computer, it is established by placing an initial charge on the capacitor such that a voltage equal to the initial value, in phase and in magnitude, appears at the output of the integrating element prior to the application of the input. Figure 2 B illustrates this process wherein capacitor $C$ has been initially charged with a voltage $E_{0}$ 。 such


FIG. 1-Bas.c analog computer element consists of an input impedance, a d-c amplifier and some form of feedback loop


FIG. 2-Fundamental processes in andlog computing are (A) summation, (B) integration and (C) differentiation
that an initial voltage $E_{\text {o }}$ appears at the output of the element. In this case, the response equation for the element results.

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{0}=-\frac{1}{R C} \int e_{i} d t+E_{o} \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

## Differentiation

Figure 2C shows the computing element used as a differentiating circuit. In this case the input impedance is a capacitor and the feedback impedance is a resistance. Applying Eq. 7 we find the response of this element:

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{o}=-j \omega R C^{\dot{e}} e_{i} \tag{15}
\end{equation*}
$$

In a manner similar to that used


FIG. 3-Closed-loop servo system and its differential equation
in the case of integration, it can be shown that the appearance of $j \omega$ indicates that differentiation has been performed. Hence Eq. 15 reduces to

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{o}=-R C \frac{d e_{i}}{d t} \tag{16}
\end{equation*}
$$

In many cases of systems analysis differentiation is required in order that the analog perform in accordance with the components used in the actual system. An example of this is the process of error rate damping used in certain closed-loop systems. In this case, a particular transducer is required to respond to a signal which is proportional to the rate of change of an error between the input and output. An electronic analog of such a system would involve the use of a differentiating element in the synthesis of the error-rate transducer. Another important use of the differentiating element is the case of compensating networks which are used to improve the phase characteristics of systems. Such networks often involve a $p$ term in their transfer function which requires a differentiating element in the analog.

## General Characteristic

With the basic element so far described, it is possible to set up
an analog of systems whose response can be described by a linear differential equation whose coefficients are independent of the variables in the system. In addition to the basic computing elements, there are generally certain other elements required. In many cases it is desired to place limits on the magnitude that certain variables may assume. For this purpose limiters, generally of the diode type, are provided whereby the voltage at any point in the analog may be limited to the desired value.

In systems analysis, the response of the system to prescribed forms of excitation is often desired. When this input is sinusoidal, the problem of excitation is easily answered by the use of oscillators to obtain the forcing functions. For more complex types of forcing functions, it is necessary to generate the prescribed form. A method that is commonly used, if the mathematical form of the function is known, is one which sets up a differential equation whose solution is the required forcing function. This equation is then set up on a portion of the computer and the solution used as the required forcing function. For example, it is often required to excite the system by a signal whose magnitude varies di-
rectly with time, the so-called ramp function. To obtain this, an equation is set up on the computers, the solution to which provides a linear magnitude-time variation with a slope of $A$. The solution of this equation is the function $y=A t$.

The electronic analog computer has been extended to include certain nonlinear operations such as multiplication of variables. These extensions require the use of mechanisms which will multiply and divide. In most cases, these operations are performed by servotype mechanisms of a mechanical nature rather than electronic circuits. As in any mechanical system, the speed of computation is no longer negligible; hence, the frequencies at which these elements may be used are greatly limited. The subject of servo-type computers will not be dealt with here.

## Closed-Loop System

Figure 3 is a diagram of a hypothetical closed-loop system which illustrates very clearly how the electronic analog computer facilitates the study of such a system. In this system, it is desired to displace the angular position of a motor by a voltage system. Aside from the inherent inertia of the motor


FIG. 4-Electronic analog solution of closed-loop system shown in Fig. 3
and the damping in the system, the components which make up the entire system are those which tend to minimize the magnitude and time-lag errors in the system. In order that the output displacement $\theta_{\alpha}$ be directly proportional to the magnitude of the input voltage $E_{i}$, the output is compared with the input through the feedback transducer. This transducer converts the angular output to a proportional voltage which is compared with the input voltage in the subtraction amplifier. If at any time, the output differs from the input, an error signal $e$ will drive the motor until such time as the output is equal to the input and the error signal is reduced to zero.

The response of the system is given by the following differential equation:
$E_{i}=K_{0} \theta_{o}+\frac{J}{K_{m}} \frac{d^{2} \theta_{o}}{d t^{2}}+\frac{f}{K_{m}} \frac{d \theta_{o}}{d t}$
In order that the performance of the system may be studied, it is necessary to solve this equation, in which case the output will appear as a function of time for various types of input signals. To apply the electronic analog computer to the solution of this equation, it is necessary to rearrange the equation by equating the high-
est order derivative in the equation to the remaining terms:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \frac{d^{2} \theta_{o}}{d t^{2}}=\frac{K_{m}}{J} E_{i}-\frac{K_{m} K_{o}}{J} \theta_{o}- \\
& \frac{f}{J} \frac{d \theta_{o}}{d t} \tag{18}
\end{align*}
$$

Starting with the highest order derivative, which is the second derivative in this example, the equation is set up on the computer by successive integration of the high-est-order derivative. Figure 4 shows the analog solution for the example system and represents the solution for Eq. 18. In amplifiers 1 and 2 , the second derivative has been integrated to obtain the first derivative and the variable output of the system. The magnitudes of the impedances in the individual integrating elements have been chosen so that the variables have been multiplied by the constants required by Eq. 18. Having integrated successively to obtain the variable, it is only necessary to combine the required terms with the input signal to satisfy the original equation.
In Fig. 4, this is done in amplifier 6 ; since the output of amplifier 6 now represents the entire righthand portion of Eq. 18, it is used to form the input to the first integrating element.

The entire analog has now been set up and the output $\theta_{0}$ may be studied by applying the required input signals at the point shown in Fig. 4. In order that $\theta_{0}$ appear with a positive sign and in its true magnitude, amplifiers 3 and 4 have been added. In obtaining quantitative results, it is necessary to adjust the scale factors used throughout the systems, as set up on the computer, in such a manner that the desired quantities are of sufficient magnitude to be measured without excessive instrumentation error. Another important consideration in establishing the scale factors is the capabilities of the d-c amplifiers. Adjustment in scale factors may be required in order that the amplifiers are not overloaded since such overloading will result in considerable error.

## Conclusion

While the electronic analog computer is a very important time saving instrument, it is not capable of doing the entire job. The system must be studied and its response equation obtained before the computer will be of any service. As in the case of all man-made devices, it does not experiment nor does it think. It is merely a tool in the hands of the user.

# Air Breakdown Chart for Radar Pulses 


#### Abstract

Chart gives approximate breakdown voltage between conductors in air in the three major frequency ranges that are related to the mean free path of electrons in air. Chief use is design of high-voltage pulse circuit components for radar installations


USE of high-power pulses in radar depends on the dielectric strength of air. The design of equipment to handle these pulses should be based on estimates of the breakdown voltage in the air gaps between conductors. The various configurations of the conductor contours make such estimates difficult, but a few simple rules and the accompanying chart are a great help.

The primary purpose of the chart is to show the variation of breakdown voltage with frequency. Breakdown by an alternating voltage is an effect of cumulative ionization by collision during successive cycles of alternation. At high frequencies, such that the electrons and ions oscillate in the field without reaching the electrodes, the free charges accumulate until the ionization and recombination rates reach equilibrium.

At low frequencies, such that the electrons and ions would oscillate further than the distance between electrodes, the free charges are partially collected during each cycle and hence do not accumulate. Consequently the breakdown gradient is greater at lower frequencies. Likewise, the breakdown gradient is greater in smaller distances, which also facilitate the clean-up. These effects are summarized by the three curves on the chart.

The transition between the

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medium-frequency and high-frequency curves occurs at certain frequencies and pressures, as indicated for a few cases that have been tested. At high frequencies the gradient is constant ( 2.9 kv per mm at one atmosphere pressure).

## Transition Frequencies

If the distance is of the order of 1,000 times the mean free path of electrons in the air, this transition between middle and lower curves occurs at frequencies of the order of 100 mc , as shown on the chart. This relation is independent of the pressure, although the value of the mean free path is inversely proportional to the pressure. In other words, the product of pressure times distance is proportional to the ratio of distance over mean free path. This is the reason why a single family of curves is valid over a great range of pressure and distance.
The transition between the upper and middle curves (not shown) occurs at frequencies about $1 / 100$ th as great, since the velocity of ions is less than that of electrons in about this ratio, and their mean free path is nearly the same.

In either case, the transition occurs at a value of pressure-times-distance which is inversely proportional to the frequency.

## Uniform Gradient

The simplest case for computation and formulation is a uniform voltage gradient between parallel plane conductors. Ordinary configurations have a peak gradient greater than the average, so the maximum gradient may be taken as a criterion of breakdown over a certain distance. This is valid at high frequencies; at lower frequencies the correct criterion is somewhere between the maximum and the average gradient, usually closer to the maximum.

A uniform gradient causes no corona, just a well-defined spark. A maximum gradient much greater than the average gradient causes corona below the sparking voltage, which expedites the final breakdown when the voltage is increased to that point. At high frequencies, it is even possible to have a breakdown (ball of fire) in a limited space separated from the electrodes.

At low frequencies, there can be no spark in a gas at a voltage less than a certain value (about 0.3 kv in air), because the electrons are collected before they can gather sufficient momentum. At high frequencies, this rule fails because most of the elec(Continued on p 150)

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Air Breakdown Chart for Radar Pulses (continued)


Chart giving breakdown voltage in air between parallel planes. For atmospheric pressure, horizontal scale represents distance in millimeters between the plane electrodes
trons oscillate without reaching an electrode.

## Experimental Basis

The chart is based on a steady alternating voltage (unmodulated $c-w)$. Short pulses of direct voltage (of the order of one microsecond) occurring at much longer intervals (of the order of one millisecond) stop before equilibrium is reached, so their breakdown voltage is naturally somewhat greater than that of a steady direct voltage, the highest curve on the chart. Such short pulses of high-frequency voltage have been presumed to show a similar tendency relative to the lowest curve, and there is some experimental evidence to this effect.

The chart is valid at lower
pressures, provided that the distance is many times the mean free path of electrons, which is true over the range plotted.

In general, there is a scarcity of reliable experimental evidence either to support or to contradict these curves. It is expected that they will be verified under controlled conditions by providing some continuous supply of electrons. This supply may come from corona or other localized discharge, ultra-violet rays, x-rays or gamma rays, but hardly from thermal agitation at ambient temperatures common in electronics equipment (usually under 100 C ). Therefore a somewhat higher breakdown voltage may be fairly certain if such sources are precluded by design. This is especially true of short
pulses such as mentioned above. However, cosmic rays arrive about once per hour per square millimeter, and cannot be stopped by reasonable shielding.

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plement its sound service. Initially, this was confined to blocks of flats where a single antenna, suitably sited in the best position on the roof, fed the received signals to a wide-band amplifier having an approximately uniform gain of 55 db . Bandwidth was three me either side of the Alexandra Palace tv station frequency of 45 mc working on 405line definition, 25 pictures per second with double sideband. From an output matching pad, semi airspaced polythene insulated coaxial cables linked up any flat to the system through junction boxes, incorporating 40 or $20-\mathrm{db}$ loss pads.

## Signal Level

The system was designed so that the input voltage to any receiver along the cable did not exceed 7.5 mv and was never less than 0.75 mv . The tenants' own standard tv receivers were used or, alternatively, Rediffusion supplied them for an all-in weekly rental which included free maintenance. Using a highquality coaxial cable, the attenuation from the feeder itself plus the receiver insertion loss limited the length to approximately 450 yards.

With an average block of flats, it was found that each feeder could provide a wired tv service at carrier frequency to between 40 and 50 flats and, although there was no practical limit to the actual number of feeders installed, it was preferable not to feed more than five coaxial cables from each wide-band amplifier.

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| 111-A12 | 1.5 - | 4 megacycles |
| *11-A22 | $500-$ | 1500 kilocycles |
| *11-A27 | $300-$ | 900 kilocycles |
| 111-A36 | 100 - | 300 kilocycles |

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RANGE OF COIL CHECKS: Coils having inductance ranging between 1 microhenry and 10 millihenries may be checked or matched.

ACCURACY OF COIL CHECKS: For $Q=100$ or more $L$ above 10 uh. May be checked against standard to within $\pm 0.1$ to $\pm 0.2 \%$.

RANGE OF CONDENSER CHECKS: The capacitance values of condensers ranging between 1 or $\mathbf{2 m m f}$ and 1000 mmf may be checked against the standard by the direct substitution method with an accuracy of a few tenths of one $\mathbf{m m f}$ if the $\mathbf{Q}$ of the condensers is high.

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For testing the performance of feeders on vision carrier frequencies, an automatic sweeping eignal generator is used

Britain is limited to the provision of a single program for the whole population. The five main highpowered tv transmitting stations use carriers of 45 mc (double sideband), $51.75,56.75,61.75$ and 66.75 mc (asymmetric sideband) with the sound carrier in each case $3.5-\mathrm{mc}$ lower. It is necessary to convert these carriers to a standard i-f so that identical amplifiers and receivers can be used throughout the wired towns and also to increase substantially the length of cable used before signal attenuation necessitates insertion of a repeater.

## Intermediate Frequency

At present, certain technical considerations make it preferable to use an intermediate carrier frequency of the order of 9 to 12 mc and the subscriber to the system is given the choice of one vision program with its accompanying sound plus three other sound programs, all the sound signals distributed being at audio frequency. The scheme is capable of having a second vision channel added later.

## Transmission

As mentioned earlier, there is a widespread sound relay service operating in Great Britain and the natural method for a vision relay on the score of convenience and economy is to devise a method that can be combined with the existing audio network technique. Star quad cables, polythene insulated, are employed for modern relay feeders but, at the high frequencies necessary for the vision signal, the
characteristics of this cable are subject to wide variations. These variations may be reduced by metallic screening by lapping helically a thin copper or aluminum tape over the cable before finally sheathing it with polythene. Without this screen stabilizer, the attenuation due to rain and dirt may vary by as much as 100 percent. Using two star quad cables, one screened and one unscreened, it is possible to relay four audio programs with the vision program intermediate carrier superimposed on one pair in the screened cable.

The antenna is sited in an area of low interference level and, by using tall masts and suitable directional arrays of high gain, a good signal-to-noise ratio is secured. When the antenna is located in a fringe area, the signal received by the antenna is fed into a wideband low-noise preamplifier.

## Reception

A master vision receiver accepts the antenna or preamplified signal and, after amplification, converts it to the required distribution frequency and shapes it to standard asymmetric characteristics. The sound signal can be derived at the same site by direct reception or by line if more convenient but, in any case, it is made available at the central distribution station for monitoring and general retransmis-
sion at audio frequency. The vision signal is fed to the same point over low-loss screened coaxial cable.

Where the field strength of a tv signal is quite unsatisfactory, a station some miles away from the relay area can be used and a microwave link employed to retransmit the desired programs to the central station, which will then house the master vision receiver for conversion and amplification.

## Subscriber's Equipment

The vision side of the subscriber's apparatus consists of a trf unit suitable for the carrier frequency employed and covering the necessary bandwidth. The sensitivity is approximately 0.5 mv and following this unit are the usual detector, video amplifier, scanning circuits and power supplies.

As mentioned earlier, the sound is transmitted at audio frequency and fed through to the loudspeaker at a level suitable for direct operation. This speaker is integral with the cabinet housing the vision chassis. A sound volume control is provided together with a program selector switch, giving the subscriber a choice of three separate audio programs or the combined vision and sound program. This last named program is fed over one pair of the screened star quad cable, a filter separating the $h$-f and audio signals.

## Tick-Tack-Toe Computer

## By E. M. McCormick West Riverside, Calif.

THIS PAPER shows how a certain matrix of manually-operated switches alone is sufficient to solve the logical problem of playing the game of tick-tack-toe. Having a machine capable of playing this child's game is not in itself necessarily useful but some of the concepts in its design may be applicable to more useful devices.

Basically, as shown in Fig. 1, this special-purpose logical computer consists of 18 lights (nine "X's" and nine " $O$ 's") in the display, a filament transformer voltage source to operate the pilot lamps in the


FIG. 1-Basic block diagram of the tick-tack-toe machine
display and between these two the switch matrix which operates the lights. The switches in this network not only indicate what has been played but also decide in a logical manner what the machine response should be.

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to assume the potential it would have if the capacitor plates were infinitely large by connecting it to an appropriate point on a resistance voltage divider.
Although the field configuration outside the cube is quite complex, the internal field is uniform except for localized distortions near the individual wires. An insulating shaft of laminated plastic passes through the field as shown to support the aircraft model under test.

Values of the equivalent area of an antenna, measured using electrostatic techniques, may be used to determine the low-frequency radiation pattern, receiving sensitivity and radiation resistance of the antenna. Antenna capacitance must be evaluated separately.
can play. A switch thrown to the left will cause an " $O$ " to appear in that place in the display indicating that the machine has played there. A switch turned to the right produces an " X " to record the machine opponent's play. A switch in the normal (center) position indicates that neither player occupies that spot.

## Playing Procedure

The person playing the machine starts by turning the switch corresponding to his desired first play to the right. An " X " appears at that place in the display.

After a few seconds an "O" appears in the area where the machine desires to play. It is then necessary


FIG. 2-Details of one of the eight sections of the defensive circuit


FIG. 3-Switching arrangements for the counter circuit
to manually throw the switch corresponding to that area to the left to record this move. If this is not done, the next play of the opponent would cause the machine not only to forget its last play but also to be confused and forget whose turn it is to play. The only means the machine has for knowing what or when to play is on the basis of the position of the nine switches.

After recording the machine response, the opponent plays again and the process is repeated until the game has reached some logical conclusion.

The machine's operation is errorless. If the person playing the machine knows as much about the game as the machine, all games will


FIG. 4-Details for the "any number" circuit
be draws. If the machine's opponent makes an error, the machine will take the advantage to win. As a concession to human nature, a few errors in the machine response have been deliberately wired into the circuit and are optionally available by throwing a switch from INVINCIBLE to VULNERable. Knowing these weaknesses one can beat the machine.

In its present form, the device can indicate only one response each time it plays. It will always play the same game for a given set of opponent plays.

There is an average of 30 individual three-position switches on the nine main switches or 270 individual switches in the network.

## Detailed Circuits

The inhibitor circuit is merely an extension of the principle of the commonly used two-way switch. Here, however, the output voltage is on or off depending on whether an odd or even number of the nine main switches have been operated. It determines when it is the machine's turn to play.

The offensive and defensive circuits are quite similar and the basic arrangement of each is indicated by analyzing the defensive circuit. This is shown in Fig. 2. This circuit determines for each of the eight possible combinations whether two of the three have been played by the opponent and whether the third is not occupied. If both conditions are met, then the voltage applied to the input is diverted to operate the lamp which indicates the correct response. For examp.e, if switches corresponding to spaces 1 and 2 are turned to the right and switch 3 is in the unplayed position, the input voltage is applied to the lamp which produces the " O " in the

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If both of these conditions are not met the voltage is diverted directly to the input of the next of the eight defensive circuits. Any position being occupied by the machine is sufficient to do this. If all three switches are turned to the right, then the machine has lost.

The counter circuit is shown in Fig. 3. Here the input voltage is available at one of the three outputs depending on the number of the main switches which are to the right, that is, are played by the opponent. Unoccupied or machineoccupied positions are not counted.

The "any number" circuit is shown in Fig. 4. Note that the draw light is operated only after all nine positions are occupied.

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FIG. 5-Portion of special instrucion section of switch matrix
the network is illustrated by the circuit which determines the machine's response to the opponent's first play when the machine is playing second. This is given in Fig. 5. Note that if the opponent's play has been 2 then the response is 3 ; if 6 then 9 ; if 8 then 7 ; if 4 then 1 ; if 5 then 3 ; but if none of these then the response is 5 . If the first opponent play was $1,3,7$, or 9 (that is, any of the corner positions) then the response by default is 5 .

## Delay

Since the only information required by the computer is the position of the nine main switches, the response is available as soon as the opponent's play is recorded. However, again as a concession to human nature, the response is purposely delayed by a delay circuit.

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It is anticipated that bariumtitanate transducers will also find application in phonograph pick-ups, microphones, speakers, dielectric amplifiers, capacitor dielectrics and possibly as frequency-determining elements. In contrast to scarce magnetostrictive materials, barium titanate is mined in quantity in Canada. The raw powder, finely ground but containing some ferrous impurities is available at about 20 cents a pound.

## Manufacture

In the manufacture of bariumtitanate transducers, the raw powder is first sifted through an 80mesh screen and a small amount of lead titanate added to improve final transducer characteristics. Water is added together with an electrolyte to act as a deflocculant, preventing formation of lumps due to static charge. The wet mixture is ball-mi!!ed to a fine consistancy. A magnetic filter is used to remove ferrous impurities introduced in powder-grinding processes. The mixture is evacuated to prevent formation of air bubbles. Slip castings are made using desired molds When forms are extruded, the mix-


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FIG. 1-Block diagram of the polyneumograph

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## Economical TV Linearity Test Generator

By Frank J. Burris San Francisco, Calif.

No DIrect metallic connection to the receiver under test is required with the television linearity test generator described herein. Output lead connections from the tester are placed close to the i-f tubes of the receiver when making adjustments. This procedure is possible because the output test oscillator is modulated for both the horizontal and vertical bar patterns on the i-f band. The fundamental covers frequencies from 20 to 27 mc and the second harmonic is suitable for receivers in the $40-\mathrm{mc}$ i-f band.

A dpdt switch is incorporated in the tester for selection of either the horizontal or vertical pattern. No variable control of the output of the device is required since the gain may be conveniently controlled in the receiver or by the placement of the pickup lead.

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Referring to the schematic diagram of Fig. 1, the bar generator is composed primarily of a Hartley shunt-fed oscillator consisting of $V_{1}$ operating through the cathodetapped coil $L_{1}$ or $L_{3}$, depending upon the position of $S$. For horizontal
patterns, it has been found advantageous to use at least 12 or 13 bars.

To obtain the horizontal effect, the bar generator must oscillate at a stiffly blocked frequency of about $13 \times 60$ or 780 cps . Unless the sscillator is well blocked, the bar edges will present a sine-wave diffusion shading characteristic instead of the clear and sharp narrow lines which are more desirable. The blocking action requires that the grid of $V_{1}$ must be heavily discharged on each pulse so that the plate current will remain at zero for considerable time out of each cycle. Use of heavy feedback and a large coupling capacitor allows this action.

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Bearing in mind what was stated previously concerning oscillator stability and its effect upon pattern design, it become apparent that the vertical bar-pattern generator must be stable to even a higher degree. For the purpose of closely adjusting the oscillator, the shaft of $C_{\%}$, or the knob of the tuning slug if such a type coil is used, is extended through the panel for ease of adjustment.

With the addition of the simple power supply, the generator might be considered available for duty at this point by taking a tap off the oscillator output of $V_{1}$ directly to the video amplifier input of the receiver. Extended facility may be realized by adding an output oscillator circuit consisting of the dual triode $V_{2}$ which functions as another shunt-fed Hartley oscillator at i-f, cross-bar modulated and isolated from the the load by means of the grounded-grid cathode-coupled section of $V_{2}$.
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plied signal, is apparent from Fig. 1 in the case of a single sine-wave signal.

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Results obtained in this experiment indicate that a full-scale voltage sensitivity of 0.85 volt would be a suitable compromise requiring only occasional zero-set adjustment. This would allow for the instrument to average signals with a peak-to-rms ratio of 15 db with a maximum error of -10 percent.

Three interesting points remain to be considered. First, the twotube circuit was required to balance out a large portion of the direct current drift. This was done at the expense of decreased sensitivity inasmuch as only one-half the platecurrent change of the active stage is passed through the d-c meter.

It is also necessary to operate the stage at fixed bias. It would therefore be appropriate to use cathode bias whose value would be maintained constant through the use of a d-c feedback amplifier. This would essentially double the sensitivity of the circuit and at the same time afford a means of controlling the response time of the power meter. This modified circuit would have a sensitivity of approximately 0.5 volt and would accurately average $20-\mathrm{db}$ peaks.

Experimental results indicate that the grid can be driven positive with no serious permanent effect. However, it was noticed and it is natural to expect as a result of the grid-heating effects, that a positive grid signal would tend to increase the d-c plate-current drifts. This can be remedied by clipping at the input grid at approximately the zero bias level through appropriate use of crystal diodes.

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frequency range. Actually this last point is of considerable consequence inasmuch as an extended bandwidth is necessary in any system which is required to pass signals with a large peak-to-rms ratio.

In summarizing, it should be mentioned that the underlying theory behind this development is not new. Circuit applications of this theory in the past have suffered shortcomings of one form or another. With the advent of hightransconductance tubes, the chances for satisfactory circuit performance have steadily improved. Here described is a pair of 6AH6's which can be used in a single-ended circuit to provide square-law operation over a nine-volt swing in the grid region. This is especially important in the measurement of noise spectrums, speech signals and multiplexed circuits.

## Precision Raster <br> Sweep Oscillograph

By H. B. Steinhauser

Instrumont Division<br>Allen B. DuMont Laboratories, Inc. (lifton. New Jersey

THIS PAPER describes a raster sweep oscillograph designed specifically to reproduce transient electronic information in such form as to allow the time-voltage variations to be analyzed with precision. Its applications embrace measurements of rise time, length, decay time and spacing transient pulses. Any time interval which can be represented by two successive transient pulses may be measured with a high degree of accuracy.

A raster sweep oscillograph differs from the conventional single trace oscillograph in that a large number of successive horizontal traces are displayed on the screen like lines on a sheet of ruled paper. Figure 1 illustrates the raster obtained with this instrument.

To produce the raster, sawtooth deflection voltages are required for both the horizontal and vertical axis. To enable measurements to be made, a source of sharp accurate marks is also needed. These marks are applied to the grid of the


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FIG. 1-Raster obtained with the instrument
cathode-ray tube and appear as blanking spots on the trace. The incoming video signals are applied to the $Y$-axis and produce vertical deflection as in a conventional oscillograph.

If the horizontal sweep generator is allowed to run continuously, the horizontal sweeps are visible on the screen only during the interval when the trace is brightened by an intensity gate generated by the vertical sweep generator. Horizontal sweep speeds of five and ten $\mu \mathrm{sec}$ are available and the number of horizontal sweeps in a raster may be adjusted from 10 to 30 permitting measurements up to $300 \mu \mathrm{sec}$. The marker frequency is switched when the sweep speed is switched so that five marks are always displayed on each horizontal sweep.
The vertical sweep may be initiated in several ways: internally with repetition rates of approximately 50 and one cps, manually by means of a push button on the front panel, or externally by means of a suitable pulse. Repetitive and manual triggering are generally used only for setting up and making adjustments.

The equipment is usually triggered by an external pulse and a photograph taken of the single-shot display. To obtain reading accuracy commensurate with the measuring accuracy, the photo negative may be enlarged to two or three feet in width by projection on a screen.

Figure 2 is a simplified block diagram of the equipment. A one-mc temperature-regulated crystal, ac-


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curate to $\pm 0.0025$ percent, is used to control both the frequency of the markers and the repetition rate of the horizontal sweep generator. The output of the crystal oscillator is fed directly through a shaper tube to the marker generator for producing marks at one usec intervals. Marks at two-usec intervals are obtained by dividing the crystal output to 500 kc before feeding it to the shaper and marker generator.
The marker generator consists of a ten-mc shock-excited oscillator driven by the sawtooth output from the shaper tube. A resistance across the tuned circuit is adjusted to damp out the shocked oscillations after the first half cycle. Each time the oscillator is shocked into oscillation an output is obtained consisting of one-half cycle of a ten-mc sine wave with a width of 0.05 mec . The marker amplifier increases the amplitude and inverts the marks to obtain the proper polarity for application to the crt grid. The problem of mixing the marks and the intensity gate is avoided by applying the marks to the grid and the intensity gate to the cathode of the crt.

The one-mc crystal-oscillator output is divided down to 200 kc for initiating the five-usec horizontal sweep and divided down to 100 kc for initiating the ten-usec horizontal sweep. The horizontal sweep is generated in a modified bootstrap circuit. Linearity is maintained


FIG. 2-Simplified block diagram of the sweep oscillograph


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FIG. 3-Raster of Fig. 1 with ten-mc modulation applied
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It is necessary when using repetitive vertical sweeping to have the vertical sweep synchronized with the horizontal to avoid vertical movement or jitter of the raster. This synchronization is achieved by further dividing down the crystaloscillator frequency to approximately 50 and one cps and using it for triggering the vertical-sweep generator.

Frequency division is obtained in large steps of approximately 40 to 1 and 100 to 1 . The exact division ratio is unimportant so long as the vertical-sweep generator is locked in at some integral submultiple of the horizontal sweep rate. The vertical-sweep generator is a bootstrap circuit. A vertical-sweep amplitude control serves to vary the spacing between horizontal sweeps from 0.1 to 0.3 inch.

For single-shot operation, a thyratron pulse generator is used which may be triggered either manually by a push button located on the front panel or externally by a pulse fed in through the external trigger jack. When the thyratron is fired it generates a single pulse which in turn triggers the vertical sweep generator to give a single vertical sweep. By using a thyratron in this circuit an automatic lockout is obtained, since once the thyratron has fired it cannot be fired again until it has been reset by depressing a reset button on the front panel.

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up to 150 usec of delay between the vertical sweep trigger and the vertical sweep. This permits the entire raster to be delayed after the initiating trigger. A panel switch permits selection of the dolayed or undelayed raster. An intensified strobe which occurs at the end of the delay period is displayed on the undelayed raster and enables the setting of the delay to be read. This strobe is obtained by taking the trigger from the delay amplifier, sharpening and amplifying it, and applying it to the cathode of the crt. The delayed trigger is also made available at a coaxial jack for external use.

External video signals are fed in via a coaxial jack through a cathode-follower isolation stage and coupled to one of the vertical deflection plates. Since a short video pulse might possibly be lost in the retrace period of the horizontal sweep, provision has been made for also feeding the signals to the vertical axis through a one-usec delay cable and a phase-inverter isolation stage. This produces an inverted pulse exactly one $\mu \mathrm{sec}$ after the original. Since the delayed video signals are inverted they may be easily identified.

During development of the instrument it was necessary to make frequent checks on the linearity and retrace time of the horizontal sweep. This was done by applying a ten-me signal of approximate sine-wave shape to one of the verti-


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The ten-me test signal was obtained by frequency multiplication from the crystal oscillator so that the pattern would be synchronized with and remain stationary on the horizontal trace.

Figure 3 is a photograph of the raster shown in Fig. 1 but with the ten-mc modulation applied. By counting the modulation cycles it may be determined that the forward-going part of each horizontal sweep is $4.8 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ long while the retrace is $0.2 \quad \mathrm{usec}$. The linearity is checked by measuring and comparing the spacings between adjacent cycles of modulation across the sweep. For perfect linearity, the spacing should be the same between any two adjacent cycles anywhere on the sweep.

Credit is due Arthur Mahren for his valuable contributions to the circuit development of this instrument.

## Improving Electronic System Reliability

By W. Wagenseil Associate Head
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Examination of over 200,000 failure reports on equipment in the field showed that there was no outstanding cause of failure. It was decided to establish a parts application section, staffed with competent engineers selected to become specialists in the various components. These engineers study parts specifications at the time the systems are designed.

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## Fast Cueing of Tape Programs

By John B. Ledbetter Bugheer WhRC-TV (incinnati. Ohio

Many times the writer has found it convenient or necessary to record two or more separate programs back-to-back on a single 30 -minute reel. This often happens when the tape recorder is used on several successive spot or special-events shows. In many cases, one of these programs (often the last one the reel) will be scheduled for immediate use, with the others out of order or rescheduled for later playback.
Normally, it would be necessary to run all or part of each reel in order to cue in at the desired spot, or dub each program onto separate reels. All this trouble can be avoided simply by numbering a small tab of paper and attaching with a very small piece of Scotch tape at the point where each program starts and ends. This can be done at the time each show is recorded. The cueing of each show then resolves itself into throwing the recorder switch to FAST FORWARD and stopping at the proner tab. This consumes only a fraction of the usual set-up time and has meant the difference between immediate playback or complete rescheduling.


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## Production Techniques

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## Locking Adapter for Subminiature Tubes

Testing of subminiature tubes is greatly simplified if their thin flexible leads are temporarily attached to a standard plug-in tube base. Since some of the premium subminiatures are given extremely high vibration tests, heat runs and severe electrical tests, firm connections to the leads are essential. So important is this requirement that before development of the locking adapter, leads of each miniature tube were inserted in the pins of an empty octal base and soldered for test purposes, then unsoldered after completion of tests.

The locking adaptor, developed by engineers of Sylvania Electric Products Inc., solves the problem so perfectly that the adapter has been placed in mass production for use
in all of this firm's plants and is available to other manufacturers.
The adapter is made up of five molded plastic parts, eight phosphor bronze contact clips and one machine screw. The base is a standard octal base, made from a revised mold having cutouts for the tabs of the molded plastic locking ring. A cylindrical core which fits inside the base has longitudinal slots located directly over the base pins, into which go the eight contact clips. These are preformed to give a press fit into the tube base pins. This is tight enough to eliminate need for soldering but the base pins are dipped in solder anyway to round off the ends for smoother insertion in sockets.

The locking ring moves up and


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down over bends in the contact strips. When moved down toward the base, it presses the strips firmly against the tube leads, to give a tight grip and good electrical connection.

Holes in the cover plate are coned outward to facilitate inserting the tube leads in the adapter. With practice, an operator can fan out the leads of a subminiature and get them into the right holes almost as fast as if plugging in an ordinary tube.

A molded raised dot on the cover plate identifies the space between pins 1 and 8 , and the plate itself is molded with different widths of positioning lugs.

## Stripping Enameled Wire

To remove enamel insulation cleanly from leads of magnetic amplifier coils without nicking or otherwise weakening the fine copper wire, Keystone Products Co. in Union City, N. J. uses a special wire stripper with rotating wire brushes, made for the purpose by Newark Brush Co. of Kenilworth, N. J.

The brushes are mounted one above the other and belt-driven by a $\frac{1}{3}$-hp motor; the distance between the brushes is adjustable to accommodate different sizes of wire, by turning a knob that raises or lowers the entire upper brush assembly.

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coil simultaneously. A fan blade, also belt-driven by the motor, creates a vacuum to pull the enamel dust into a collecting drawer pro-
vided for the purpose under the machine. Edges of the drawer are temporarily taped to prevent leakage of the fine dust.

## Magnetic Parts-Lifter

TUBE anodes emerging from a baking oven are picked up and loaded into tote boxes with a Multilift Magnetic Separator, made by Multifinish Mfg. Co., Detroit, Mich. In the lifting position, a permanent magnet in the tool attracts the parts. Pulling up an inner handle moves an internal shunt between the magnet poles, reducing the external magnetic field sufficiently so the parts drop off into the box.

The lifter is used for this purpose in the Emporium, Pa. plant of Sylvania Electric Products Inc. because the parts are too hot to touch after emerging from the $1,700 \mathrm{~F}$ oven. Even if parts were cool enough, touching with gloved or bare hands could introduce grease or dirt that neutralized the degreasing and baking operation. The lifter insures cleanliness and permits using a much shorter conveyor for cooling.


Lifting hot anodes from moving woven-wire conveyor which runs through baking oven

## Doulble-Anvil Riveter for Miniature Sockets

Through use of a sliding double anvil on a single riveting machine, miniature sockets can be riveted to a television chassis just as fast and just as well as with a more costly dual-machine arrangement.

The operator positions the chassis so each socket hole is over an anvil pin, places a socket over the anvil pins, slides the anvil to one limit of movement and operates


Addition of two-pin anvil makes single riveting machine do work of dual machine
the press to feed and clinch one tubular rivet, then slides the anvil to the other limit of movement and operates the press again to finish the job. This technique is used in the Television Receiver Division of Allen B. DuMont Labs., Inc., in East Paterson, N. J.

## Spotlight for Welding

A Lucite rod mounted on a Bausch \& Lomb microscope substage projection lamp gives an intensely bright beam of light at the electrodes of a small welder, to facilitate welding of getters and other small parts to


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Lucite rod on end of lamp housing bends light beam to illuminate small parts being welded
the electrode structure of miniature and subminiature tubes. The projector contains a 21-cp auto lamp operated from a 6.3-volt filament transformer.

Being thermoplastic, the Lucite rod is easily bent to the optimum shape and position by heating with an infrared lamp or hot plate after the projector is mounted on the bench. Aluminum foil is wrapped around the rod to prevent loss of light except at the end where desired. The rod is clamped to a metal disk set into the opening of the projector housing. This technique for supplementing fluorescent table lamps during assembly of small parts is in use at the Emporium, Pa . plant of Sylvania Electric Products Inc.

## Heat-Fusing Polystyrene

USE of a polystyrene sleeve over a coil-spring connector for the plate top cap of type 1B3 tubes, in place of the more common molded plastic top-cap connector, cut production costs of the high-voltage power supply for Tele-tone television receivers.

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Heating open end of polysiyrene sleeve

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Method of using sleeve on 1B3 highvoltage rectifier
the horizontal output transformer subassembly line, the sleeve was pushed over the spring clip and the open ends heated with an ordinary soldering iron, then squeezed together quickly with long-nose pliers to seal the sleeve in position.

## Panel-Holding Fixture

Grooved wood uprights mounted on a wood base are used to hold a small panel for the Signal Corps I-193 relay test set in a vertical position for mounting of parts from both sides in the East Newark, N. J. plant of Utility Electronics. Parts


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                ell connection to Events-Per-Unit-Time input amplifier.
            DIMENSIONS: 21" x 20" x 15" deep (approximate
            PANELS: Double decked, each panel 19" }\times83/\mp@subsup{4}{}{\prime\prime}\mathrm{ standard relay rack size
        OISPLAY TIME: Continuously variable from 1 to 5 seconds.
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are mounted with nuts and bolts, and this fixture permits holding the slotted head of the bolt with a screwdriver on one side of the panel while tightening the nut with a spin-type socket wrench on the other side.

The operator inserts a wood block under the panel to raise it to most convenient height in the vertical slides.

## Reject Indicator Lamp

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Plug-in socket panel for tube under test. Coil spring stretched between posts back of socket makes connection to shell of 6SQ7 for checking continuity to

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the Emporium, Pa. plant of Sylvania Electric Products Inc., through use of plug-in connections instead of conventional permanent test circuitry.

Three types of changes are made. The socket for the tube under test is mounted on a small insulating panel having pins that plug into two permanently connected 7-pin sockets in the test set. A complete file of sockets for different tube types is kept in racks on the production floor, so that correct pin connections for a particular tube are made automatically by inserting the correct socket panel for that tube.
All meters on the test set have


Rack used for stosing socket panels. Some have a special top-cap connecting lead or a shield-connecting spring

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Plugging meter into test set
banana-plug terminals that fit into jacks located behind panel holes. This permits quiek changing of meters when different ranges are needed. Meters not in use are stored on a sloping plywood panel having an individual cut-out hole for each meter.

A plug-in patch panel, also using banana plugs, serves to tie the correct d-c test voltages to the test adapter socket. An ordinary drawer handle on the panel makes insertion and removal easy.

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ed on an insulating post on the test set makes connections to top caps of tubes automatically. When not needed, this spring can be swung out of the way

## Swaging Paper Capacitors

ENDS of rolled paper-and-foil units for tubular paper capacitors are swaged by holding them against a metal cylinder that is rotating in a bath of $650-\mathrm{C}$ molten aluminum. The rotating cylinder, belt-driven by a motor, keeps sludge off the


Holding uncased paper capacitor unit against cylinder, rotating in molten aluminum, to swage foil ends together



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capacitor since the sludge does not adhere to the smooth moving surface.

Exposed foil ends of the rolled capacitor units are completely swaged together and coated with fresh aluminum in preparation for soldering of end leads. The technique is used by Astron Corp. in East Newark, N. J.

## Vibration Test Setup

Premium subminiature tubes are given a 96 -hour vibration test at $2 \frac{1}{2}$ g on a Syntron style 1774 paper jogger of the type used in printing plants to line up paper sheets. The tubes are first placed in holding racks, each of which holds 12 tubes in fuse clips.

Heater voltage is applied during vibration by allowing heater leads to project on opposite faces of the insulating rack. Other leads go into holes provided in the rack to keep unconnected leads out of the way. Each rack has a copper strip along the entire length of one face. Racks are stacked with all copper strips down. The strips are connected in parallel alternately by bringing one end of each strip around onto the other face and using a U-shaped jumper on the other end, so that all


Vibration-testing type 5900 premium subminiature tubes a hundred at a time in fixture resting on table of paper jogger. Amplitude-measuring coil is at right rear corner of table


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- CUT-OFF RANGE

20 cps to 200 KC

- attenuation rate

18 db per octave

- SECTIONS

Single, can be high pass and low pass

- INSERTION LOSS 0 db
- PASS band limits

2 cycles to 4 MC

- NOISE LEVEL

80 db below 1 volt


Tube-holding racks. Phosphor bronze heater connecting strip is on one side of rack only. Strip folds over end at left. Short metal piece folded over end at right serves to connect together the strips on the two adjacent racks when they are stacked
tube heaters are automatically connected in parallel when the racks are stacked in a metal holding fixture. Knurled clamping wheels hold the racks in position tightly to get good heater connections and to insure transmission of vibration from the jogger to all tubes.

At one corner of the vibrating table is a permanent magnet. moving up and down inside a coil that is bolted to the stationary base of the jogger. Measurement of the a-c voltage generated in this coil provides an easy means of checking the amplitude of vibration, once coil output has been correlated with


Corner of paper-jogger table, showing how amplitude-measuring coil is mounted


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measured amplitudes of table movement. Frequency is constant at 120 cps for all tests, hence equivalent gravity values are easily computed.

Testing is done in three different planes, by turning over the tubeholding fixture at 32 -hour intervals. The technique is used for sampling inspection at the Emporium, Pa. plant of Sylvania Electric Products Inc.

## Testing Incoming Tubes

By Curtis R. Schafer The Liquidometer Corp. Long Island City, N. Y.

In THE MANUFACTURE of capaci-tance-type fuel gages for high-octane and JP series aircraft fuels, customary statistical percentages of deviations or failures in components cannot be tolerated. An error in the weight of fuel indicated by the gage or its failure can mean loss of an airplane and its crew. For this reason, incoming tubes for fuel gages are given thorough tests at Liquidometer Corp. in production-type test setups that minimize need for operator judgment in making 100 -percent tests of incoming shipments of tubes.

The test circuit arrangement of Fig. 1 is used for testing types 5751, 5814, 12AT7, 12AX7, 2101C,


FIG. l-Circuit arrangement for incom-ing-inspection test of voltage amplifier tubes for airborne electronic equipment


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FIG. 2-Test circuit for measuring out put of tube for given grid voltage

5719 and 6112 tubes. The tubes are tested as voltage amplifiers, being required to exceed a stated output current through a load resistance when a given input voltage is applied.

By a multiple socket arrangement, single triodes are tested in pairs (one of the pair may be a known good tube used as a standard). Dual triodes are tested by cascading the two triode sections. A Variac is used to control the voltage across the secondary of the input transformer and the power transformer; setting this voltage automatically provides the correct operating voltages throughout the unit. Octal sockets are provided to take the proper Sylvania adapt-


Tube test setup using circuit of Fig. 2

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ers for testing subminiature types. A pin straightener is used by personnel of the incoming inspection department to insure that the miniature types will not damage the sockets in the test unit or in the aircraft fuel gage equipment for which the tubes are intended.

The somewhat similar test unit in Fig. 2 is used to check types 6005, 6AQ5W, 5902 and 5639 tubes. The output voltmeter measures the actual power output delivered by the tube for a given grid voltage. The operator inserts the tube, allows a minute or so warmup time, presses the pushbutton and notes the output power reading.


FIG. 3-Simple test circuit for checking 6 X 4 W ruggedized and 5641 Arinc rectifier tubes

The input signal voltmeter, when correctly set by means of the Variac, insures the correct voltages elsewhere in the unit.

For checking 6X4W and 5641 rectifiers, the circuit of Fig. 3 is used. Correct operating voltages are set with an input voltmeter and Variac, and the total cathode emission is measured with an 0-50 ma meter. Heater-to-cathode leakage, which should not exceed 10 microamperes in this circuit, is indicated on the microammeter. This meter would be damaged by a heater-to-cathode short or even excessive leakage, so two resistors and a neon lamp are incorporated as a protective circuit for the meter.

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The tone-modulated $455-\mathrm{kc}$ signal is fed directly to the stator of the antenna section of the tuning gang through a $0.1-\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor in a connecting jig that can be fitted over the tuning capacitor frame in one easy motion. Voice-coil voltage of a dummy loudspeaker is fed through a diode rectifier to a d-c voltmeter that is watched by the operator while adjusting the six i-f trimmers in turn to resonance. The rectified voltage is also used to control the bias voltages of a twostage $r$-f amplifier inserted between the signal-cage line and the chassis being aligned. Increasing voice coil voltage thus gives greater negative bias on the amplifier, automatically attenuating the input signal.

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## NEW PRODUCTS

Edited by WILLIAM P. O'BRIEN
Recently Developed Test Instruments, New Materials and Components and Controlled Characteristic Power Supplies Are Described . . . Thirty-three Trade Bulletins Are Reviewed Under Literature (p 295)


## Precision Power Supplies

John Fluke Engineering Co., P. O. Box 755, Springdale, Conn. Series 400 precision d-c power supplies are especially designed to meet nucleonic needs. Typical models are the 400 B and 400 C , the former with an output voltage from 1,000 to 5,000 , and the latter from 500 to 1,500. Both are rated 1 ma and hold their output voltages constant to $\pm 0.01$ percent short term, and to $\pm 0.1$ percent per day. Noise and hum do not exceed 0.01 percent of the lowest output voltage.


## Electrometer

Special Instruments Laboratory, Inc., 1003 Highland Ave., Knoxville, Tenn. Model 145 electrometer is a-c operated and features direct measurement on a panel meter of d-c potentials from 0 to 150 mv . Special modification to give full scale deflection of 30 mv is available. Input imperance of $10^{9}, 10^{10}$, $10^{11}$ or $10^{12}$ ohms may be selected. All useful circuit points are avail-
able through panel connectors, and provision is made for connection to a strip chart recorder.


## Tubular Paper Capacitors

Pyramid Electric Co., 1445 Hudson Blvd., North Bergen, N. J., is producing a new type of molded tubular paper capacitor, embodying several extremely rugged characteristics. The "Imps" are molded of thermosetting plastic which renders the capacitor impervious to moisture and capable of operating at temperatures ranging from -40 to +100 C . Each section is noninductively wound, and is available in capacitance values ranging from $0.00025 \mu \mathrm{f}$ to $0.5 \mu \mathrm{f}$ in 200 and 400 volt ratings, and from 0.00025 uf to $0.25 \mu \mathrm{f}$ in a 600 -volt rating.


## Selenium Diodes

International Rectifier Corp., 1521 E. Grand Ave., El Segundo, Calif., has developed a line of subminiature selenium diodes designed for stable operation in an ambient
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temperature range of -60 to +100 C. Type 1 T 1 measures $\frac{1}{8} \mathrm{in}$. in diameter and $\frac{1}{4}$. long. They are currently available for output voltages of $20,40,60$ and 80 v at average output currents of 200 ua and 1.5 ma . Some of the uses for these diodes are: bias supplies, sensitive relays, digital and analog computers, hearing aids, electronic organs and many compact airborne electronic equipments.


## Recorder-Amplifier

Rahm Instruments Inc., 12 West Broadway, New York 7, N. Y. Type R03-E6-1 is a multichannel system providing 9 channels for direct recording of transient phenomena. The instrument is suited for telemetering problems where in a 0 to $20-\mathrm{cps}$ flat frequency response is re-quired. Three signal channels utilizing a $40-\mathrm{mm}$ chart grid width are provided. Five channels are supplied for off-on functions and one channel is assigned to an integral time pulse generator. Features of the instrument include a stylus motor system which permits operation in any plane, six-speed semiautomatic chart drive and auto-

## Video Designers who Look into the AATHEO 6AH6 Miniature TV Amplifier

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All data taken with Screen voltage of 150 and Plate load of 4000 ohms with typical on-the-air television signals and average production tubes.
matic reroll mechanism. The complete unit is contained on a chassis 11 in. $\times 18 \frac{2}{3} \mathrm{in}$. $\times 11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$.


## Recorder Console

Ampex Electric Corp., Redwood City, Calif., announces a new dualspeed console for audio magnetic recording. Features include all pushbutton control and a built-in microphone preamplifier. It has $15,000-\mathrm{cps}$ response at the $7 \frac{1}{2}$-in. speed. At present two models are available: the model 402 has halftrack heads, and model 403 utilizes the full width of standard quarterinch tape. Complete details and specifications are available for the writing.

## Resistor

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Metropolitan Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., announces its type $R$ resistor, a stable, metal film on glass resistor, for microwave applications. It is ideal for power measurements, resistive pickup loops, pads, impedance matching, attenuators, in both waveguide and coax. An application note is available describing suggested uses of this resistor.


## Adjustable Cup Cores

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## Deposited Carbon Resistors

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cision is not required, resistors can be supplied with tolerances of 2 percent and 5 percent.


## TV Receiver Tube

Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., 1740 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y. A new high-perveance double triode designed for vertical deflection and oscillator service in tv receivers has been announced. The type 6BX7GT is $1 \frac{9}{32} \mathrm{in}$. in diameter, $3^{\frac{5}{16}} \mathrm{in}$. long, and 23 in. high when seated. Electrical characteristics include: heater volts, 6.3 ; heater current, 1.5 amperes; plate volts (each section), 250; plate current (each section), 42 ma ; plate resistance, 1,300 ohms; transconductance, 7,600 micromhos; and amplification factor, 10 .


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E. F. Johnson Co., Waseca, Minn., announce their new line of Nylon insulated tip jacks. Breakdown rating is $11,000 \mathrm{v}$. Nominal capacitance to $\frac{1}{8}$-in. panel is $2.0 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. Silver plated contacts, either phosphor bronze or beryllium copper, are supplied. Accepting 0.081-in. diameter pins, engagement is positive insuring low contact resistance. Minimum withdrawal force is 1 lb . Integral solder terminals are hot tin dipped.


## Constant Current Supply

Weston Electrical Instrument Corp., 617 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 5, N. J. Model 50220 con-stant-current supply provides a steady d-c source from an a-c line. Designed primarily for use with potentiometer indicators, recorders and controllers, where automatic standardization is not feasible or where use of batteries is not desirable, it is also used with resistance thermometers, strain gages or other devices requiring a constant d-c current. The standard unit is designed for a $10-\mathrm{ma}$ output at 1.4 v d-c and provides a current with a high degree of stability to well within the limitation of $\pm 0.1$ per-
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## A-C VTVM

Millivac Instrument Corp., 444 Second St., Schenectady 6, N. Y., has announced a new low-frequency voltmeter designed to satisfy both linear and logarithmic scale requirements. The new dial used in the MV-12A a-c voltmeter features zero suppression of its linear voltage scale. This spreads the logarithmic decibel divisions sufficiently to avoid congestion beyond a point where accurate reading would be difficult. Another feature of the meter is its high sensitivity and

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## Surface-Resistance Indicator

General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y. The portable surfaceresistance indicator illustrated was designed to help produce a better resistance welding bond by providing a rapid and accurate measurement of the resistance between pieces of metal to be welded. The instrument supplies a simple check on prewelding cleaning processes, upon which surface resistance of the metal depends. It consists of two parts, a microhmmeter and a sample holder. The unit has two ranges: 0 to 200 and 0 to 2,000 microhms. The measured resistance is indicated directly in

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## Sampling Switch

Applied Science Corp., P. O. Box 44, Princeton, N. J., has announced a new type of sampling switch for zero drift correction of $\mathrm{d}-\mathrm{c}$ amplifiers in analog computers. Motordriven, the switch makes possible the use of one a-c amplifier alone for zero correction and gain im-


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## C-R Tube

General Electric Co., Schenectady 5 , N. Y., has announced development of a new c-r tube, type 7UP7, for radar indicator service. It employs magnetic focus and magnetic deflection and can be used as a replacement for the 7BP7 or the 7BP7-A. Use of a reflective aluminized screen reduces undesirable screen charging, permitting more accurate plotting directly from the face of the tube. It also uses an improved anode contact design aimed at decreasing corona discharge permitting operation at higher altitudes. A recessed smallcavity cap has been used on the anode contact instead of the conventional recessed small-ball cap.


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Weight of pump only, with mounting brackets $-161 / 2$ pounds.
Weight completely assembled - 33 pounds. Cooling-water.
Amount of oil-6 ounces.
Recommended oilLitton Molecular Lubricant, Type "C," 375 watts.
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## Literature

Oscillograph. General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y. Bulletin GEC-580A deals with the type PM18 oscillograph for simultaneous recording of 2,3 or 4 steady-state or varying quantities. Included are an illustrated description, a list of typical applications, operation, prices and information on optional accessories.

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Wideband Sweep Generator. Polytechnic Research and Development Co., Inc.. 55 Johnson St., Brooklyn 1, N. Y. Vol. 1, No. 1 of PRD Reports is a 4-page article illustrating and describing, complete with specifications and prices, the type 907 wideband sweep generator for both vhf and uhf tv. The publication will be sent regularly upon application. Position and company address should be included in the request.

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Variable Resistors. Chicago Telephone Supply Corp., Elkhart, Ind. Complete details on 167 types of military variable resistors are given in Stock Sheet No. 162. Included are JAN-R-94 and JAN-R19 types and non-JAN controls. Pages 2 and 3 list and describe the 167 types of controls available. Six key controls are illustrated and dimensional drawings of five shaft types are given. Page 4 gives pertinent performance characteristics in full detail.

V-T Electrometer. Keithley Instruments, 3868 Carnegie Ave., Cleveland 15, Ohio. Vacuum-tube electrometer applications are discussed in a recent two-page article reprint. The paper explains basic advantages and features of the instrument, includes several circuit schematic diagrams, and discusses many measurements easily madeincluding accurate measurement of potentials, currents, capacitance and resistance.

Electrical Wire and Cable. United States Rubber Co., Rockefeller Center, New York 20, N. Y., has issued a 52 -page engineering cata$\log$ on its line of electrical wires and cables for the coal mining industry. The booklet includes complete performance and specification data on insulation and jacket compounds, portable cords and cables with a voltage rating up to


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Fault Locator. Echo Electronics Co., 3966 Peachtree-Dunwoody Road, Atlanta 5, Ga. A four-page folder gives an illustrated description, theory of operation, chief features, specifications and price of its new fault locator. The instrument discussed was especially designed for measuring the distance to a fault on an open wire circuit.

Audio-Frequency Testers. D \& R, Ltd., 402 E. Gutierrez St., Santa Barbara, Calif., has available a 4 page brochure illustrating and describing a line of audio-frequency test equipment. Instruments covered include the model 1 M 3 B intermodulation meter, model 2 F flutter meter, and model TD2A tape distortion meter.

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West Coast Manufacturers' Activities

Recent news from the west coast reports the activities of four companies:
Hoffman Radio Corp. has established a wholly-owned subsidiary, Hoffman Laboratories, Inc., which will specialize in the electronics field. The new subsidiary will be housed in three plants- 3761 South Hill St. and 3716 South Grand Ave. in Los Angeles, and 335 South Pasadena Ave., Pasadena, and will operate as a separate corporate entity.
Coast Coil Co., Los Angeles, Calif., recently announced the opening of a new plant for the manufacture of toroidal coils and associated components. The engineering department is equipped to design filters, inductors and magnetic amplifiers to customer specifications. Facilities are available for baking, potting and coating to AN specifications.

Davis Electronics, manufacturers
of a new tv antenna particularly suited for fringe area installations and for insuring high gain on all channels (2 through 13), has moved from Los Angeles to a new enlarged plant at 4313 W. Magnolia Blvd., Burbank, Calif.

Helipot Corp., South Pasadena, Calif., has announced that it will soon open a $15,000-\mathrm{sq}$ ft factory branch within the New York metropolitan area.

## NBS Reorganizes

The Ordnance Development Division of the National Bureau of Standards has been reorganized into three new divisions and three new division chiefs have been designated. In addition an associate director for ordnance development has been appointed.

Wilbur S. Hinman, Jr., former chief of the Ordnance Development

## FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY MEMENTO


R. L. Triplett, president of Triplett Electrical Instrument Co., Bluffton, Ohio, receives gold watch from his sales force, commemorating his fiftieth year in the electrical measuring instrument industry. Making the presentation is E. K. Seyd. left, 20 year veteran of the Triplett sales organization. Looking on is A. D. Plamondon, Jr., president of The Indiana Steel Products Co., Valparaiso, Ind., and vice-president of RTMA, of which Mr. Triplett is also a director

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Division, was appointed to the newly established position of associate director. He will coordinate NBS work in the field of ordnance research and development.

The NBS ordnance program is concerned with research, development and engineering of electronic ordnance devices-in particular, proximity fuzes for a wide variety of weapons. The Bureau serves as a primary developmental facility for the Army Ordnance Corps and through that agency fulfills needs of the Army, Navy and Air Force for particular electronic ordnance items.

The three divisions and their chiefs are: Division 13, Ordnance Development Program A, with M. G. Domsitz as chief; Division 16, Ordnance Development Program B, with Jacob Rabinow as chief; and Division 17, Ordnance Development Program C, with Harold Goldberg as chief.

## California IRE Doings

Twelve professional groups from the 7th IRE region will have technical papers read Aug. 27 to 29 when the 1952 Western Electronic Show \& Convention will be held in the Long Beach, Calif., municipal auditorium. WCEMA and IRE jointly operate the exhibits and the speaking program.

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## NPA Personnel Changes

George W. Henyan has resigned as chief of the components branch of the National Production Authority's Electronics Division, and returned to the General Electric Co. as assistant to the general manager of the Tube Department in Schenectady, N. Y.
J. A. Milling, who has been director of the Electronics Division of the NPA, on leave from his post as operating vice-president of RCA Service Co., Inc., has resigned both positions to become executive vicepresident and general manager of Howard W. Sams \& Co., Inc.,

J. A. Milling

Indianapolis, Ind. He will be in charge of the firm's expansion program in behalf of Photofact Publications and allied enterprises in the electronics field.

Richards W. Cotton has been given a temporary leave of absence from Philco Corp., where he has been assistant to the president on special assignments, to accept appointment as Chairman of Electronics Production Board of the Defense Production Administration and Director of the Electronics Division of NPA. As Director of NPA's Electronics Division he will

## NAVY POSITION SWITCH



Captain Willis H. Beltz, USN, (right) is greeted by Captain Frederick R. Furth, USN, at the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, D. C. Captain Beltz becomes Director of the NRL. He succeeds Captain Furth who in turn relieves Captain Beltz as Assistant Chief of the Bureau of Ships for Electronics
be responsible for obtaining critical materials for manufacturers of electronic components and end equipment and solving other production problems. Through the Electronics Production Board, representing all defense agencies concerned with procurement and production of electronic equipment, he will keep tabs on the development and production of military electronics, and initiate action to prevent production losses or delays.

## AIEE Elects President

Election of Donald A. Quarles as 1952-53 president of the AIEE was recently announced at the Summer General Meeting of the Institute in Minneapolis, Minn. He takes office as head of the society in August.

Mr. Quarles is president of Sandia Corp. at Albuquerque, N. M., and is a vice-president of Western Electric Co., N. Y. He is former vice-president of the Bell Telephone Laboratories.

## Bogue Expands Facilities

To meet the increased demand for its products, Bogue Electric Mfg. Co. is building a new plant, its third in Paterson, N. J. The new structure will add $25,000 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$ of floor space.

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## Six New Engineering Appointments

American Rectifier Corp. of New York City, manufacturers of large industrial selenium rectifiers, has announced the appointment of Samuel Heller as chief engineer.

Ultrasonic Corp., Cambridge, Mass., has named William M. Pease vice-president and director of engineering, and Paul Travers chief engineer.

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the Radio Receptor Co. Inc.'s Communications Division to chief applications engineer of the company's newly formed Germanium Products Division. Also in the new division, Herbert Friedman, after four years with Columbia University as electronics development engineer, has been appointed sales engineer.
S. H. Van Wambeck has joined the Hammarlund Mfg. Co., designers and producers of variable capacitors, all-wave receivers and remote control equipment, as chief engineer. He was previously di-

S. H. Van Wambeck
rector of research and enginering for Knapp-Monarch Co. in St. Louis and director of a U.S. Army Signal Corps project, making studies of special types of radio receiving equipment.

Companies Set Up Separate Divisions
Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp., Jamaica, N. Y., has announced the formation of a new Potentiometer Division to be devoted exclusively to the development and manufacture of precision potentiometers. The new division, to be located in a recently acquired building in Hicksville, L. I., N. Y., will provide completely integrated facilities for engineering, production and sales.
The Gabriel Co. of Cleveland, Ohio, recently established the Gabriel Laboratories as a separate division of the company. The Laboratories, formerly the engineering department of the Workshop Associates Division, Needham, Mass., will serve as the research and

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The plant marks another step in GE expansion in the south. The company has plants in Owensboro, Louisville and Lexington, Ky., and Jackson, Miss., and recently announced plans for a transformer plant at Rome, Ga.

Besides the Anniston Tube Works, six other GE tube manufacturing plants are in operation in Owensboro, Ky.; Tell City and Huntingburg, Ind.; Schenectady, Syracuse and Buffalo, N. Y. Another plant in Scranton, Pa., is being converted to tube production.

## Westinghouse Names

Two Executives
Jay M. Allen has been named manager of manufacturing and Ricardo Muniz has been appointed superintendent of manufacturing at the Westinghouse TelevisionRadio Division plant in Sunbury, Pa .

Mr. Allen, formerly superintendent of production, had previously held executive positions at Federal Telephone and Radio Corp., RCA, Erie Resistor Corp. and Stewart Warner Corp.

Mr. Muniz comes to this assignment from the Trad TV Corp. where he was vice-president and operations manager. He has previously held executive posts at DuMont, Radio Navigational Instrument Corp. and Munston Mfg. and Service Co.

The appointments are part of a general staff reorganization and increase in the overall company expansion program in tv and radio.

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## NEW BOOKS

## Radio Antema Engineering

By Edmund A. Laport. McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1952, 563 pages, $\$ 9.00$.
This book is a practical treatment of antennas for frequencies up to 30 mc and down to 30 kc . In addition to considering the antenna problem proper, the author also discusses the many other considerations which are directly related to the radiating structure proper. These considerations, which are generally illustrated by concrete examples, include: coupling networks and feed systems, ground systems, problems of voltage breakdown on wires and insulators, propagation phenomena, methods of array construction and transmission line problems.
The standard problems of radiation pattern analysis and determination of the input impedance of antenna elements have not been slighted, by any means. Methods of designing arrays to produce given coverage diagrams are discussed in detail. Computation of the input impedance taking into account the mutual impedance is also discussed. Most of the design formula have been given without proof, since the book is intended to help nonspecialists with some of the ordinary antenna problems that occur in practice. This represents no great omission since a substantial number of books on antenna theory and allied topics have appeared within the past decade.
Mr. Laport's book consists of six chapters, the first three of which respectively treat l-f antennas, m-f broadcast antennas and h-f antennas. These chapters, which comprise the first two-thirds of the book, are mainly concerned with the antenna problem, although the associated topics have not been neglected. The last three chapters respectively treat r-f transmission lines, graphical synthesis of im-pedance-matching networks and logarithmic potential theory. The book closes with a collection of appendixes, half of which are a collection of numerical data useful in antenna design.

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comments to make regarding this text. The first is in connection with the sections on the suppression of the secondary lobes in broadside arrays. Here, the author shows how secondary lobes can be reduced by pattern-splitting techniques and also by the use of binominal current distributions. However, no discussion is given of Dolph's theory of current distributions that produce the Tschebycheff type of pattern in which the relationship between beamwidth and side-lobe level has been optimized. This technique has proved quite useful in the design of linear arrays at microwave frequencies and could well prove useful in designing high-frequency curtain arrays. The second comment is with regard to the author's preference for the rectangular transmission line chart. In recent years, the Smith chart type of circle diagram has found essentially universal acceptance for working impedance problems so that a brief discussion of its form and uses would have been appropriate.

On the whole, the book does an excellent job of treating its subject and should be of great use to those who are concerned with antenna problems in the frequency range below 30 mc . The book is well organized and easy to read. Not the least of the book's merits is its large collection of photographs showing the details of construction of numerous antenna arrays and transmission line systems.

Mr. Laport is to be commended for having made available his wealth of experience in practical antenna design.-HENry Jasik, Assistant Supervising Engineer, Antenna Section, Airborne Instruments Laboratory, Mineola, N. Y.

## Electrical Measurements

By Forest K. Harris, National Bureau of Standards. John Wiley \& Sons, Inc., 784 pages, $\$ 8.00,1952$.
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urements to make reference to currently available instrument standards such as the American Standard C39.1 for Electrical Indicating Instruments. There is considerable discussion on this and other standards, and of parallel importance is the discussion on how to write specifications for the instrumentation required for any particular electrical project.

The first chapter on the art of measurement appeals enormously to this reviewer because of the very pertinent discussion on accuracy and experimental errors. The point is well made that the order of accuracy of the several components in the measuring system should be the same; a low-accuracy link in the chain may spoil the whole result, but by the same token a too-precise element requiring excessive manipulation leads to no greater accuracy in the end. The discussion of random errors and root-mean-square deviation, the so-called standard deviation, is rarely found in books of this type and an understanding of this philosophy is most helpful.

The section on laboratory practices should be read by everyone involved with laboratory work; anyone who has burned out an instrument or a circuit component will be doubly interested in the pertinent comments as to the use of protective resistors, the order of making connections, applying potential and the like.

The chapter on electrical units is excellent, giving some brief history as to the basis of the International Units used until a few years ago, and the new Absolute Units with their conversion factors from those used previously. It is noted that there is no discussion of any special parameters commonly used in electronics and high-frequency work, and the book thus appears to be rather definitely limited to power frequencies except as the extension to high frequency may be made directly.

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The potentiometer (not a circular rheostat!) is considered in great detail and many types are shown which are rarely seen in the modern laboratory. This section of the book, along with the discussion of standard cells, is perhaps of more use to those involved with instrument calibration and maintenance than to the engineer with a pressing problem in electronics. Nevertheless, the potentiometer approach to measurement, effectively a balance or substitution method, is a powerful approach and one which frequently can be used in r-f measurements where a thermoelement or a bolometer can convert the end result into d-c phenomena.

The section on resistors, including decade boxes, is quite valuable and there is a considerable discussion of the time constants of resistors which should be important in resistance measurements at higher frequencies. Bridge methods are similarly discussed and again will find considerable utility in all measurements since the bridge or balance approach to measurement is most useful.

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While the discussion of oscillographs is reasonably complete and includes a discussion of the modern scope with a set of typical Lissajous figures, the section on electronic instruments is limited to some fourteen pages. This seems unfortunate in view of the rather enormous utility of electronic gear in the measurement art and it might well be that an additional chapter showing the detailed use of amplifying and detecting techniques derived from the vacuum tube would be well worthwhile.

In general, however, Dr. Harris has written an outstanding book on the subject of electrical measurements; no errors of fact have been located. The manuscript having been based on a great deal of prior work, it seems likely that the book can be used as a reference for many years to come--JOHN H. Miller, Weston Electrical Instrument Co.

## Electric Transmission Lines

By Hugh Hildreth Skilling. Mc-Graw-Hill Book Company, New York, 1951, 438 pages, $\$ 6.50$.
IN THE preface of his new book concerning transmission line theory, Dr. Skilling indicates that it is intended as an introduction to the field and states ". . . the purpose of this book is to give as much on circuits with distributed constants, and their practical applications, as

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Chapters 1 through 8 discuss the theory of transmission lines starting from the simplified high-frequency, low-loss point-of-view; thus the student is introduced to the unfamiliar world of distributed constant circuits in the familiar environment of trigonometric functions. After a discussion of traveling and standing waves, the treatment is generalized, using complex hyperbolic functions, to include the line with loss. A discussion of line parameters (characteristic impedance, propagation constant, etc), line constants (inductance, capacitance, effective resistance, etc), and artificial lines completes the theoretical section.

Chapters 9 through 13 consider application of the theory to l-f power lines, m-f telephone lines, h-f radio lines, and uhf wave guides. It is stressed that the behavior of each of these is best specified by different forms of the equations, and the snecialized analysis techniques apnlicable to each are described. The different characteristics of lines associated with their operating frequency are matters that few engineers appreciate. The treatment here is gratifying.

The theory of wave guides is approached as an extension of transmission line concepts with hardly a mention of Maxwell's equations. The ideas of phase and group velocity, cut-off phenomenon, reactive and resistive attenuation, etc, are derived from the suitably modified line equations. The matters of higher modes, reactive obstacles, terminations, and coax-to-waveguide couplings are discussed somewhat heuristically. Chapter 10 is an introduction to filter theory from the traditional point of view. The final chapter, Chapter 14, discusses transient waves of arbitrary form traveling on periodic structures. Single and multiple reflections and the transition to steady-


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The Design of
Switching Circuits
By William Keister, Alistair E. Ritchie and Seth H. Washburn, Bell Telephone Laboratories. D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc. New York, 1952, 556 pages, $\$ 8.00$.
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## Transient Electric Currents

By H. H. Skilling, Professor of Electrical Engineering, Stanford University, McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York, 2nd ed., 1952, 361 pages, $\$ 6.00$.
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Transmission lines are considered in chapter nine. Differential equations for a transmission line are developed and their solution is shown to lead to a voltage (or current) that is a function of position and time; that is, a traveling wave. Reflections are treated for the case of a d-c step-function driving volt-


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Occasionally material elsewhere in the book is referred to incorrectly. For illustration, on page 173 reference is made to an example in Section 19; actually the example is in Section 18. The reader will find that if he understands the text, the continuity is not disturbed and the correct material can be easily found and verified.

Although this review has stressed the mathematical aspects of the book, it should be pointed out that the physical descriptions are complete and that, when necessary, the mathematical steps taken to reach a particular expression are fully described.
The first two-thirds of the book can be considered a first course in transients. The last part of the book, especially chapter ten, should prove most interesting to engineers dealing with transients.-Walter J. Dauksher, Engineer, Airborne Instruments Laboratory, Mineola, New York.

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By Walter H. Kohl. Reinhold Publishing Co., New York, N. Y., 1951, 493 pages, $\$ 10.00$.
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Glass, ceramics and soldering are covered in adequate detail. Other matters such as metals, getters, processing operation and emission, if one may judge by the space given to them. received rather limited treatment. For example. the chapter on emission is devoted primarily to the thoriated-tungsten filament and the L-cathode, with little mention of the very important oxidecoated cathode.

In all, this is not a book for the inexperienced reader but rather one which requires considerable judgement to evaluate the material presented and to choose from it. Although the book suffers from the faults common to first efforts, it does contain much which the tube engineer will find valuable, including an especially complete and useful bibliography.-Stan Umbreit, Tube Department, Radio Corporation of America, Harrison, N. J.

## THUMBNAIL REVIEWS

INTRODUCTION TO ELECTRICAL FANGINEERRING, 2nd edition. By Robert P. Ward. Prentice-Hall, 416 pages, 1952 . For a first course ; uses MKS units throughout.

VADE-MECUM, 1952. P. H. Brans, Antwerp, Belgium, 416 pages, $\$ 5.60$, 1952. Now divided into two volumes, this 9th edition of a world-wide list of tubes con-
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## BACKTALK

## Medical Electronics

THE FOLLOWING are abstracts from a small sample of letters to Dr. Herman I. Kantor regarding his article "Electronics Engineering Needed In Medicine" (ElecTRONICS, p 82, Feb. 1952)

## DEAR SIR:

THIS LETTER is written as a result of your very stimulating article in the February issue of Electronics. It has long been my hope to make some useful contribution to the field of medical instrumentation. This goal exists for me because, like many engineers, I have been largely occupied in the last ten years by various phases of weapon making and I yearn to apply the same efforts to some positive good.

I have previously studied the possibility of applying electronics to such jobs as simplifying the presentation of some of the information that is now available with the electrocardiograph. It seems reasonable to presume that if heart malfunctions can be heard with a stethoscope the same variations can be made visible and thus subject to quantitative interpretation.

As a nonmedical man and since I have been unable to enlist the interest of my family doctor I have been at a loss as to where to turn for advice.

Donald V. Richardson
Glenwood Landing, N. Y

## Dear Prof. Kantor:

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Mark M. Siera
Forest Hills. New York

Dear Sir:
I was very much interested in your article on medical electronics in the February issue of Electronics. I have been looking around for some spare-time projects, but unfortunately, I have absolutely no connections in the medical profession. Could you suggest someone in this part of the country whom I could interview and thereby get a fuller grasp of the problems involved? A small independent laboratory such as mine would find it necessary to work in close cooperation with one or more hospitals, I would think.

Arthur S. Kramer
Cedar Grove, New Jersey
(Editor's Note: Most of the other letters received by Dr. Kantor, regarding his article, praised him for taking his stand and all correspondence fron electronics engineers expressed eagerness for additional information about the needs of medicine. We have already made arrangements for several medical electronics articles to be published in the near future to meet the overwhelming demand expressed by our readers as a result of Dr. Kantors article and Backtalk letter. The following is a sample of letters illustrat expressed in letters directed to this office.)

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May I therefore offer my congratulations to Dr. Kantor, and also to your discerning staff responsible for once again including something of both interest and importance among the humdrum of academicals and involved technical specialties.

James R. Cornelius
Cornelius Electronic Instruments Coventry. England
(Editor's Note: From our experience it is difficult to predict reader interests in our field. An extensive survey conducted a few years ago, revealed many interesting, and some surprising, facts about subscribers' likes and dislikes. Our selection of articles is based on such survey information and spot checks in the field. Comments from subscribers on this subject are always welcome and will help guide us toward making a more useful ELECTRONICS.)

## Interprofessional Meeting

Dear Sirs:
This refers to the Backtalk letter written by Dr. Herman I. Kantor that appeared in the June 1952 issue of Electronics (p 332). As he points out, many electronics engineers are eager to apply their knowledge to medical problems.

I don't know if the IRE has a committee on medical electronics. (See Editor's Note at the end of this letter.) I would like to see a program set up wherein some recognized group of engineers would meet regularly with some recognized group of doctors, under joint sponsorship of the American Medical Association and of some other organization in our field, such as the IRE.

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and their solution. Suitable publishing of problems such as Dr. Kantor refers to, after screening by the electronics committee and conversion to terms conducive to attack by electronics development engineers, would get the information before the people best equipped to handle it. I venture to say that, if large laboratories are too busy these days to attack the problems themselves, then small groups of men, in their spare time, will do the job for the medical industry, for the electronics industry, for humanity and for themselves.

With large medical and biological research laboratories in existance, as they are now, I know of one specific case (and there must be more), where physicists and electronics men are so directly responsible to and are so directly controlled by the doctors who are unaware of the capabilities of the electronic and physical approach, that really significant work has yet to emerge from the combination. Giving the electronics boys complete freedom (as they would have to have if they tackled the jobs voluntarily, even on their own time) will help to avoid this situation.
In any case, I volunteer to serve on a committee, (as senior member of the IRE and a member of the American Physical Society I imagine I qualify), and I think I could find time to perform individual effort at design if required. Your comments will be appreciated.

> WILLIAM B. LURIE
> Fleetunorl Laboratorirs Bronxille. N. Y.


#### Abstract

(Editor's Note: There is a professional group within the Institute of Radio Engineers for Medical Electronics, but it is in neers for Medical Electronics, but it is in a formative stage at the present time. Plans are being made for special meetings and symposiums at the National IRE Conferences. Requests for further information should be directed to the present chairman of the group, Mr. L. H. Montgomery, University School of Medicine, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., or direct to the IRE.)


## Flat But Not Dull <br> Dear Sirs:

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| Item | Rating | Each |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FT-674 | 8.1V/1.5A | \$1.10 |
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| FT-10.1 | 6V/.25A | 5 |
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| FT-824 | $\underset{6.4 V / 2 A}{2 \times 26 V / 2.5 A}, 16 V / 1 A, 7.2 V / 7 A, 6.4 V / 10 A$, | 95 |
| FT-463 | 6.3VCT/1A, 5VCT/3A, 5VCT/3A | 5.49 |
| FT-55.2 | 7.2V/21,5A, $6.5 \mathrm{~V} / 6.85 \mathrm{~A}, 5 \mathrm{~V} / 6 \mathrm{~A}, 5 \mathrm{~V} / 3 \mathrm{~A}$. | 8.95 3.75 |
| FT-986 |  | 3.19 |
| FT-427 |  |  |
|  | 2.SEST. ........ | 18.95 |
| FT-608 | $6.3 \mathrm{~V} / 3 \mathrm{~A} / 750 \mathrm{~V}$ Test |  |
| FT-873 | 4.5V/.5A, 7V/7A | $\begin{array}{r}24.19 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| FT-899 | 2x5V aㅏ 5A, 29KV Test | 24. |


| Item | Plate Trans.- $\mathbf{1 1 5 V}$, 60 cps Price |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PT-446 | $18553.5 A$$300 / 150 V$ |  | \$4.59 |
| PT-699 |  |  | 2.79 |
| PT-302 | 120-0-120V/350 MA |  | ${ }_{120.00}^{4.69}$ |
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| PT-671 | 62V/3.5A |  |  |
| c | Special Fil. Transformers-60 cps |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{r} \text { Item } \\ \text { STF- } 370 \end{array}$ | Pri. Volts | Secondaries$3 \times 2.5 \mathrm{~V} / 5 \mathrm{~A}, 3 \mathrm{KV} \text { Test }$ |  |
|  | 220/440 |  |  |
| F-11A | $220 \mathrm{~V}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.5 \mathrm{~V} / 15 \mathrm{~A}, \\ & 2 \times 40 \mathrm{~V} / .05 \mathrm{~A}, 2 \times 5 \mathrm{~V} / 6 \mathrm{~A} \end{aligned}$ |  |
| STF-608 | 220 V | 24V/5V/1A $5 \mathrm{~V} / 3 \mathrm{~A}, \mathrm{6} 3 \mathrm{~V} / 1 \mathrm{~A}$, |  |
|  |  | $6.3 \mathrm{~V} / 1 \mathrm{~A} .$ | 3.45 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { STF-968 } \\ & \text { STF-631 } \end{aligned}$ | 230 V |  | 3.50 |
|  | 230 V | 2x5V/27A, $2 \times 5 \mathrm{~V} / 9 \mathrm{~S}$ | 17.59 |
| Item | Special Plate Transformers-60 cps |  |  |
|  | ${ }_{230 \mathrm{~V}} \mathrm{Pri}$. Volts | Secondaries$230 / .05 \mathrm{~A}, 230 \mathrm{~V} / .05$ | Price |
| STP-613 |  |  |  |
| STP-409 | 220/440V | 136VCT/3.5A | 5.69 |
| STP-815 | 240/440, 3ph | 1310V/.67A, 6KV | 27.50 42 |
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|  | Pri. Volts | Secondar | Prics |
|  | 220 V |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { STC-609 } \\ & \text { STC-047 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 220 \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ | 220V/3A ..............6. 6.9 |  |
|  |  | $700 \mathrm{~V} / 80 \mathrm{MA}, 110 \mathrm{~V}$ |  |
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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 352-7039 | 640 VCT (9) $250 \mathrm{MA}, 6.3 \mathrm{~V} / .9 \mathrm{~A}, 6.3 \mathrm{~V} / 6 \mathrm{~A}$, |  |
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| 12033 | $4540 \mathrm{~V} / 250 \mathrm{~mA}$ | 17.50 |
| $K 59584$ 521652 | 5000V/290 MA, | 22.85 |
| K59607 | $734 \mathrm{VCT} / 177 \mathrm{~A}, 17$ |  |
| 352-7273 | $700 \mathrm{VCT} / 350 \mathrm{MA}, 6.3 \mathrm{~V} / 0.9 \mathrm{~A}, 6.3 \mathrm{~V} / 2.5 \mathrm{~A}$, |  |
| 352-7070 | $2 \times 2.5 \mathrm{Y} / 2.54{ }^{\text {a }}$ (2KV TEsT) $6.3 \mathrm{~V} / 2.25 \mathrm{~A}$, |  |
| 352-7136 |  |  |
| 352-717 | $320 \mathrm{VCT} / 50 \mathrm{MA}$ |  |
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| 901692 | $13 \mathrm{~V} / 9 \mathrm{~A}$ | 2.49 |
| 901699-501 | ${ }^{2} .700 \mathrm{~V} / 75 \mathrm{ma}$ | 4.45 |
| U $\times 8855 \mathrm{C}$ | $900 \mathrm{VCT} / .06$ | 3.73 |
| RAG405-1 | $800 \mathrm{VCT} / 85 \mathrm{MA}, 5 \mathrm{SV} 3 \mathrm{Sa}$, | 4.25 |
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| 130 | 30,000 | 2.2 Meg. | 270 | 27,000 |
| 150 | 62,000 | 3. Meg. | 470 | 39,000 |
| 200 | 75,000 | 5.6 Meg . | 680 | 56,000 |
| 330 | 100,000 | 12. Meg. | 1,500 | 62,000 |
| 680 | 150,000 | 15. Meg. | 1,800 | 130,000 |
| 820 | 240,000 |  | 2,700 | 180,000 |
|  | 240,000 |  | 4,300 | 1. Meg. |
| 2 WATT $\pm$ |  | $10 \%$ | 1.2 Meg. | 11. Meg. |
|  |  | 1.6 Meg. | 12. Meg. |
| 22 | 470 |  | 12,000 | 2.7 Meg. | 13. Meg |
| 47 | 680 | 56,000 | 3. Meg. | 15. Meg. |
| 56 | 1,000 | 150,000 | 3.3 Meg . | 16. Meg |
| 82 | 1,800 | 390,000 | 3.6 Meg . | 18. Meg |
| 100 | 2,700 | 1.2 Meg. | 4.7 Meg. | 20. Meg |
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