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## TYPICAL ITEMS

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Type } \\ & \text { No. } \end{aligned}$ | Application | $\mathrm{Type}_{\text {Type }}$ | Pri. Imp. Ohms | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sec. Imp. } \\ 0 \mathrm{hms} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OC in } \\ & \text { Pri MA } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Response } \\ \pm 2 \mathrm{db} \text { (Cyc.) } \end{gathered}$ | Max. level dbm |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H-30 | Input to grid | TFIA1OYY | 50* | 62,500 | 0 | 150•10,000 | $+13$ |
| H-31 | Single plate to single grid, 3:1 | TFIAL5YY | 10,000 | 90,000 | 0 | 300-10,000 | +13 |
| H-32 | Single plate to line | TF1Al3YY | 10,000* | 200 | 3 | 300-10,000 | +13 |
| H-33 | Single plate to low impedance | TFIALSYY | 30,000 | 50 | 1 | 300.10,000 | +15 |
| H-34 | Single plate to low impedance | TFIAL3YY | 100,000 | 60 | . 5 | 300-10,000 | + 6 |
| H-35 | Reactor | TFIAROYY | 100 Henries - 0 DC, 50 Henries-1 Ma. DC, 4,400 ohms. |  |  |  |  |
| H-36 | Transistor Interstage | TE1A15YY | 25,000 | 1,000 | . 5 | 300-10,000 | $+10$ |

*Can be used with higher source impedances, with corresponding reduction in frequency range and current

## COMPACT

## HERMETIC

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## TYPICAL ITEMS




SUB-SUBOUNCER AUDIO UNITS
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| Type | Application | Level | Pri. Imp. | MA D.C. in Pri. | Sec. Imp. | Pri. Res. | Sec. Res. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *SS0-1 | Input | + 4 V.U. | $\begin{aligned} & 200 \\ & 50 \end{aligned}$ | 0 | $\begin{aligned} & 250,000 \\ & 62,500 \end{aligned}$ | 13.5 | 3700 |
| SSO-2 | Interstage /3:1 | + 4V.u. | 10,000 | 0.25 | 90,000 | 750 | 3250 |
| *SS0-3 | Plate to Line | +20 v.u. | $\begin{aligned} & 10,000 \\ & 25,000 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 1.5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 200 \\ & 500 \end{aligned}$ | 2600 | 35 |
| SSO-4 | Output | $+20 \mathrm{~V} . \mathrm{U}$. | 30,000 | 1.0 | 50 | 2875 | 4.6 |
| SSO-5 | Reactor 50 HY at 1 mill D.C. 4400 ohms D.C. Res. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SSO. 6 | Output | +20 V.U. | 100,000 | . 5 | 60 | 4700 | 3. |
| *SS0-7 | Transistor Interstage | +10 V.U. | $\begin{aligned} & 20,000 \\ & 30,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & .5 \\ & .5 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 800 \\ & 1,200 \end{aligned}$ | 850 | 12 |

* Impedance ratio is fixed, 1250:1 for SSO-1,1:50 for SSO-3.

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TYPICAL ITEMS

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Type } \\ & \text { No. } \end{aligned}$ | Application | Pri. Imp | Sec. Imp |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.1 | Mike, pickup or line to 1 grid | $\begin{aligned} & 50,200 / 250, \\ & 500 / 600 \end{aligned}$ | 50,000 |
| 0.4 | Single plate to 11 grid | 15,000 | 60,000 |
| 0.7 | Single plate to 2 grids, D.C. In Pri. | 15,000 | 95,000 |
| 0.9 | Single plate to line, D.C. in Pri. | 15,000 | 50, 200/250, 500/600 |
| -10 | Push pull plates to line | 30,000 ohms plate to plate | 50, 200/250, 500/60 |
| 0.92 | Mixing and matching | 50, 200/250 | 50, 200/250, 500/600 |
|  | Reactor, 300 Hys. - no D.C.; | 50 Hys. -3 MA . | D.C., 6000 ohms |

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| TYPICAL ITEMS |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TYPE No. Min. Hys. Mean Hys. Max. Hys. | DC | Ma |  |  |  |
| HVC-1 | .002 | .006 | .02 | 100 |  |
| HVC-3 | .011 | .040 | .11 | 40 |  |
| HVC-5 | .07 | .25 | .7 | 20 |  |
| HVC-5 | .2 | .6 | 2 | 15 |  |
| HVC-10 | 7.0 | 25 | $7 C$ | 3.5 |  |
| HVC-12 | 50 | 150 | 50 | 1.5 |  |



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## talk

friend, Bert Fox, who is now associated with him in receiver research. He says, further, "his laboratory is proving of great help on measurements ... he has increased his equipment some $\$ 5,000$ in the last few months to be of greater help to me. ..."

FOREIGN-A number of readers write in from time to time commenting on some article that originated abroad and wonder how we obtained the information. One service to which we have access is the McGraw-Hill World News, which maintains correspondents in a number of foreign cities. These newsmen send along items automatically for all of the McGrawHill magazines and are on call for special requests.

Here's a typical example of how it works: associate editor Jack Carroll recently visited the Federal Telephone and Radio plant at Nutley, N. J. While there he noticed some interesting pieces of equipment and discovered they had been made in West Germany. A cable to Gerry Schroder, our correspondent in Bonn, requesting more data, triggered a roundup article on the electronics business in West Germany. You'll find it in this month's Industry Report.

SETUP TIME—Back in August, 1952, we bought from a news syndicate a short story describing a for horn operated by radar from a lighthouse some distance away. It was a good story for the lay press,


EDITORIAL DISTAFF, more photogenic than last month's group, includes assistants Arlene Schilp, Jane Christie, Susan Daniels and Gloria Filippone
but we felt that it needed more technical "meat".

We wrote the syndicate; it wrote its correspondents in Canada; word was relayed back to us; we wrote the National Research Council of Canada; and officials there agreed that they would prefer to see a "more adequate technical paper published in Electronics". A busy engineer undertook the job of writing the paper.

Our correspondence file shows 26 letters changed hands. The new manuscript, being edited now, includes the latest modifications and data on another installation. It will appear soon.

NEW PHRASE—Editors, more than most people, are word conscious. Because of that we almost got all fouled up in preparing for publication the article on a transistorized $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ signal generator, page 133. The term, reactance tube, has complete acceptance today but when a transistor simulates a tube that is
already simulating a reactance, what should you call it? This led to some semantic soul searching but we took the simple way, called it a reactance transistor. But it's not a new type of transistor.

NEGATIVE TIME-Part of our business that doesn't ever get talked about is the initiation of the work of preparing editorial material for issues many months in the future. Phrases such as deadlines and closing dates have become familiar to nearly everyone but they indicate only the last breathless moments when it is practically too late to do much except move two commas.

Which is to say that now, early January, we have started to prepare the editorial material that will go into the big extra issue, the Buyers' Guide, that comes out in the middle of June, first month of summer. It will contain articles having high reference value for design engineers engaged with cirruits, equipment and components.

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These Magnetic Valtage Regulators, or Regulating Transformers, are the first units in a comprehensive line of equipment of this type being developed by Sorensen. They are primarily intended for incorporation into other equipment, where performance becomes more effective when the incoming line voltage is stabilized. However, they can be used as auxiliary line stabilizers.
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FIGURES OF THE MONTH


## FIGURES OF THE YEAR

Television set production
Radio set production
Television set sales
Radio set sales (except auto)
Receiving tube sales
Cathode-ray tube sales

TOTALS FOR FIRST ELEVEN MONTHS

| 1954 | 1953 | Percent Change | 1953 Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6,513,292 | 6,766,040 | - 3.7 | 7,214,787 |
| 9,138,955 | 12,267,441 | -25.5 | 13,368,556 |
| 6,223,332 | 5,600,423 | +11.1 | 6,375,279 |
| 5,272,155 | 5,608,447 | $-6.0$ | 7,064,485 |
| 347,180,564 | 413,687,529 | $-16.1$ | 437,091,555 |
| 8,904,106 | 9,194,851 | - 3.2 | 7,582,835 |

## INDUSTRY REPORT

electronics-February - 1955


POSITIONING cathode-ray-tube electron gun of side instead of rear of glass envelope reduces tube depth to approximately 3 inches. Laborotory model of black-and-white version of tube, shown in operotion, helps ...

## Wall-Mounted TV Picture Tubes Take Giant Step

Radically differing from conventional tv-picture-display methods, the flat picture tube developed by the west coast Electronics Division of Willys Motors, Inc. holds promise of revolutionizing the tv industry and simplifying aircraft instrumentation.

- How It Works-Unlike other proposed designs, the Willys tube does not use elaborate grid-switching techniques. It consists of a phosphor screen mounted between two glass plates. The entire unit is evacuated.

The electron beam is injected along a horizontal edge of the tube (see diagram) and flows in a fieldfree region along this edge, adjacent to a row of transverse deflection plates.

By controlling the voltages on these plates, the electron beam is bent at any desired place along the edge of the tube. The beam then flows vertically in a second fieldfree region between a series of transparent horizontal deflection plates and the electrically charged phosphor screen.

By controlling the voltages on the horizontal deflection plates, the beam is deflected into the phosphor screen at any desired vertical level.

A raster is scanned by sequentially changing the voltage on the transverse (vertical) and horizontal deflection plates simultaneously. All plates are kept at a high voltage except those opposite the position at which it is desired to bend the beam.

Use of electrostatic deflection Color Use-It is reported that
eliminates the need for magnetic components, with their higher power consumption.

- Spot Size-One of the advantages of the new deflection system is said to be a large convergence angle, which solves the beam blowup probblem prevalent in other tubes. Spot size is such that a 2,000-line raster might be scanned.
- Screen Size-Although the tv tubes shown have 15 -inch screens, tubes having useful screen areas comparable to that of 24 -inch conventional tubes have been built. The new tubes have an approximate depth of only 3 inches in comparison to approximately 20 inches for the conventional tubes.
progress is being made in developing a color-tv picture tube based on the above principles. Instead of using color dots or strips, the tube might use transparent color phosphors in a multilayer screen, very much like the three color-sensitive layers in some color films. Such a tube should have no registration problem and would be comparatively simple to manufacture. Color modulation would be accomplished by changing the relative potentials of the three phosphor layers.
- Aircraft Instrumentation-One model of the new tube was adapted by Willys for the Navy's long-range program for simplifying aircraft instruments. This program will result in an instrument panel consisting of only two basic instruments, both picture tubes.

One instrument will be a semicircular plate mounted vertically and directly in front of the pilot. It will be transparent and will not interfere with the pilot's vision during contact flight. Altitude, speed and attitude of the aircraft will be shown on the plate. Physical features such as mountains, which the pilot sees during contact flight, will be depicted artifically.


Mockup of aircraft cockpit made by Douglas Aircraft for Navy's instrument simplification program. The two large instruments are flat-plate Willys tubes on which information needed to fly aircraft will be displayed

The second instrument will consist of a round plate mounted below the first just inside the cockpit rim. Its appearance will be similar to that of a radar map. Broad physical features of the earth below will be depicted by analogy. Calibrations around the rim will indicate number of miles to pilot's base, fuel remaining and similar information.

Because picture tubes are used, several items of information can be selectively superimposed in the
same area, to be used as needed. The tubes will not be used to present an actual picture of what is happening in the vicinity of an aircraft. The display the pilot sees will be an analogy of the visual world that he would see if flying by contact in clear weather.

The first interim instrument panel of the program is soon to be installed in aircraft now in production. The first simplified panel to be developed is now being tested.

## Television Manufacturers Appraise Prospects for 1955

## Companies see increased business for many of the industry's products

Year-end statements by manufacturers in the electronics field indicate the wide variety of activities from which business increases are expected in 1955. Following are excerpts from statements by seven electronics manufacturers:

- Admiral-We look forward to 1955 with cautious optimism. We believe industry tv sales will be off slightly during 1955 to an anticipated 6.5 million sets. From 100,000 to 200,000 color sets may be sold during the year. Mass production of color receivers at prices the public can afford will not be
feasible until a color tube is available at approximately $\$ 50$ to $\$ 60$.
- CBS-Columbia-The outstanding news in the tv industry in 1955 will be the advances made in color tv. The generally anticipated good business, wide employment, increased consumer spending and expansion of new household units plus the growing replacement market ( 34.5 percent of the total receivers in America today are three or more years old) will help produce an excellent black-and-white receiver market in 1955 ,
- Du Mont-We anticipate a large sales volume of industrial closedcircuit equipment in the years ahead. As far as the tv receiver market is concerned, it still looks
like primarily a black-and-white year. Color receiver production may not go much over 50,000 units in 1955.
- GE-New designs in germanium rectifiers will nearly quadruple the volume of this business in 1955. Use of two-way radio communication in mobile applications will continue to expand with total industry sales approximately 10 percent higher than in 1954.
- Philco-New developments will come from research laboratories with ever increasing speed. This will be true of the electronics industry with the tempo of development of guided missiles as a good example. This country is spending
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$\$ 600$ million on guided missiles in the current fiscal year and costs may exceed $\$ 1$ billion next year.

- RCA-In the high fidelity field, sales for the industry as a whole during 1954 increased about 50
percent over 1953. It is believed that the annual retail sales total of $\$ 225$ million in 1954 will rise to $\$ 300$ million in 1955 .
- Raytheon-The industry will place more emphasis on lower
priced black-and-white tv with luxury priced monochrome sets giving way to an increased volume of color receivers. Between 300,000 and 400,000 color receivers will be produced by the fall of 1955 largely in 21 -inch screen size.


PRODUCTION model of transistor radio evolves from lab design (right), as . . .

## Transistor Portables Boost Output

Circuit using eight transistors provides high gain and 300 -microvolt sensitivity

LATEST step in the application of transistors to consumer products is a portable radio receiver that uses eight transistors and performs as well as conventional sets.

The set covers the broadcast band from 530 to $1,620 \mathrm{kc}$ and has a sensitivity of $300-500$ microvolts per meter. The audio response is from 100 cps to 8 kc and the unit delivers 100 mw to its 4 -in. loudspeaker.

- Production-On sale March 1,
the transistor radio will retail for $\$ 79.95$ and is a product of Raytheon's radio and television operations in Chicago. The set will run a year at a cost of 60 cents for its four size D flashlight batteries. Mercuricoxide cells would provide $2 \frac{1}{2}$ years of operation.
- Design-The eight transistors function as mixer, oscillator, two i-f amplifiers, detector, first audio and push-pull output amplifiers. The set uses a standard 455 -kc i-f. Commercially available miniature components are used. Weight is five pounds.


## Dry-Cell Business Shows New Power

Battery manufacturers see an increasing market for their product. They see the plug-in radio becoming obsolete and the battery becoming the dominant power supply.

- Market-Today, there are about 9.1 million battery-powered radio sets in use. During 1955 this should reach 10.6 million sets. From this market the dollar volume in dry-cell sales may reach about $\$ 50$ million this year.

According to the Department of Commerce, here is the way production of battery-powered radio-set shipments excluding portables, has run: 1953, 80,000; 1952, 201,000; 1947, 549,000 . In the same years, portable radio shipments have run: 1953, 1.7 million; 1952, 1.7 million; 1947, 2.4 million. In 1954 the number of portable sets sold that use batteries totaled 1.5 million. Between 200,000 and 250,000 of these were the small personal type.

## Computing Networks Improve Operations

## Automatic coding unit lets design groups hook up to centrally located computer

One deterent to purchase of giant computers is fear that a single plant or laboratory will not be able to keep the big brain working round the clock.

One answer may be IBM's automatic coding unit called the transceiver. This device duplicates sets of punch cards at remote points by wire or radio circuits.

- Application-General Electric engineers at the aircraft gas turbine division, Evendale, Ohio; the medium steam turbine generator and gear department, Lynn, Mass.; and the large steam turbine generator department, Schenectady all wanted to use a large computer in their designing.

The only computer, an IBM 701, was at Evendale. The answer was a party-line hookup linking Evendale with Lynn and Schenectady using punch card transceivers. To handle the overflow work, GE rented the 701 at IBM headquarters in New York eight hours a day, Evendale acts as "central", receiving problems and routing them either to its own computer or to New York.

The station at New York will be discontinued in 1955 when GE receives other electronic data processing machines now on order.

- Other Setups-A similar computing hookup was used experimentally at United Aircraft's Pratt and Whitney division in Hartford, Conn. Here too, the problems involved jet engine design. However, the only link was one from engi-
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neering offices to the computing center.
The Air Force is another customer for the punch card transceiver. An experimental link was used recently to transmit statistical data on men and equipment to Washington from Port Lyautey, French Morocco. Using a Navy radio link, data was transmitted at 1,000 characters a minute (ElecTronics, p 184, Jan. 1955).

## FCC Estimates Its Budget For '55 And '56

Amount requested by President Eisenhower for the Federal Communications Commission for fiscal year 1956, which begins July 1 of this year, is $\$ 6.7$ million. The amount authorized in fiscal 1955 for FCC was $\$ 6,544,400$ while the actual amount obligated in 1954 was $\$ 7.4$ million.

However, with reimbursements from other accounts, the total available for obligation in fiscal year 1956 is $\$ 6,888,335$ compared to an estimated $\$ 7,075,775$ for fiscal ' 55 . The ' 55 figure includes other accounts and $\$ 150,000$ reappropriation of prior year balance.

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## Phosphor Sandwich Brightens Pix

## New solid-state device amplifies light ten times. May aid television viewing

DIRECT amplification of light without electron tubes can be accomplished by a 10 -micron film of phosphor sandwiched between conducting plates one of which is made of electrically conducting glass.

Possible applications include x ray fluoroscopy, photography and see-in-dark-devices utilizing ultraviolet sources. The light amplifier may also brighten television images to enhance the performance of monochrome projection tv units and aid development of picture-on-thewall screens. The light amplifier is a development of GE Research Laboratories.

- What It Does-At a recent demonstration, a fluorescent screen four inches across was illuminated with ultraviolet light from a slide projector. Then d-c voltage was applied to the conducting plates and a yellowish image was produced. The glow became brighter as the voltage was increased to about 100 v .

Application of ultraviolet light with no voltage on the light amplifier caused only a faint glow.

- How It Works-The phosphor film is vapor-deposited at high temperature and low pressure. It consists of zinc sulfide activated with manganese. The chemical content of the film determines what radiation wavelengths the light amplifier will accept and what wavelengths will be returned.

The size of the screen is limited by the size of the vessel available for evaporating the phosphor film on the glass plate.

- Applications-Probably the most immediate application is in X-ray fluoroscopy. A physician can use a safer dose of $x$-radiation and study the patient a longer time if one of the light amplifying screens is used to brighten the image.

A screen may be developed to fit over the face of a tv tube and permit lower voltage operation or in projection tv the image may be focused on the light amplifying screen.

One development problem is to reduce the time constant of the phosphor so that images may be erased as fast as produced.

For more details on the device see p. 178.

## Ultrasonic Processing

## Invades Three Markets

## Tinning, drilling and cleaning show most industrial promise; 1954 sales approach $\$ 1$ million

PaCkaged ultrasonic generators for industrial use are now being marketed by some 24 U.S. firms, in sizes ranging from 50 watts to 2 kilowatts of output power, whereas only a few years ago it was difficult to find a single firm having anywhere near a complete line of units.
Sales of the equipment have gone up correspondingly, from an esti-


Cleaning clock movement in ultrosonic bath hoving two Mullard transducers fed by r-f generator
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mated $\$ 250,000$ in 1953 to somewhere around $\$ 1,000,000$ for 1954. Figures for pulsed ultrasonic equipment, used for measuring and testing in industry and for depth-finding and detection under water, are still larger but data is not available because of military secrecy.

- Markets-Many laboratory experiments with ultrasonic equipment have been widely publicized but most remain in the labs for purely economic reasons. Even with the largest commercial generators, the equipment costs around $\$ 2.50$ per watt, and can be as high as $\$ 10$ per watt for the smallest units. This is luxury-price power, economically justified only when it can do a job not heretofore possible, improve product quality or cut production costs. Three applications show promise of meeting these economic requirements.
- Tinning of Metals - Low-frequency electronic generators, around 22 kc , are used both with hand-held ultrasonic soldering tools and ultrasonic solder pots for tinning aluminum so it can be soldered conventionally. Magnetostriction transducers produce cavitation in the molten solder and scour away oxide films.

As yet, the technique is used little if at all for dip-soldering of mechanized circuitry, because of the difficulty of inducing cavitation over the large area required. Use of two or more transducers in a pot may solve dip-soldering's current problem of occasional bad joints. Another problem, however, is release of contaminats from some plastic laminates by cavitation.

- Cleaning-Two methods of ultrasonic cleaning are currently being used. One uses low-frequency generators (around 25 kc ) with magnetostriction or quartz transducers for removing hard films from objects by cavitation.
Removal of protective lacquer from optical lenses is one example. Galvanometer movements, glass tubes for semiconductors, vacuumtube electrodes, relay and other assemblies to be hermetically sealed, and dip-soldered panels are a few
electronic products undergoing electronic cleaning routinely in production. The cleaning fluid is either a detergent or a solvent for the material to be removed.

The other method uses frequencies from 200 kc to 2 mc for removing loosely adhering particles from otherwise inaccessible areas of small articles or from complex assemblies such as watch or clock movements. Multiple transducers are usually required, and parts are hand-dipped or conveyor-fed through the activated zone between transducers. Considerable custom design is needed to get optimum
combinations of transducers and solvents.

- Drilling-Though to some extent stalemated now because of patent conflicts, ultrasonic drilling may well have the biggest potential because it will make square or oddshaped holes and will work far better than existing techniques in superhard materials ranging from tungsten carbide on up through diamonds. The frequency used is around 25 kc . The bigger the hole, the more power is needed. For painless drilling of cavities in teeth, tiny ultrasonic drills show promise.


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## Magnetron Sales Shift Into High

## Annual output increases as sales to government and civilian markets climb

In the past year, the magnetron has become, dollarwise, an important tube type. Manufacturers estimate sales this year reached nearly $\$ 50$ million, an increase of nearly 50 percent over last years sales. Compared to 1952 business, 1954 volume is nearly double the sales in that year.

- Why-One reason for the grow-
ing dollar sales volume of magnetrons may lie in the lag between the time the units are ordered until they are delivered and final billing is made. Since an estimated 90 percent of total magnetron sales go to the government for microwave uses, much of the 1954 sales increase could represent billings on government contracts placed much earlier.

Another reason for the sales rise is that more high-power units are in demand. Magnetrons with peak
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power ratings ranging up to 5 megawatts are being produced. Since these tubes sell at higher prices total dollar volume swells.

Much of the increase in magnetron sales may be due to the stepped up plans of the government in providing radar defense for the U.S. With much of the continental radar fence still to be erected, indications are that magnetron sales to the government market will continue to grow.

- Civilian-Increasing use of maggies in commercial radar equipment has also helped. Over 5,000 marine radars are authorized for use according to FCC figures. Use of radar in weather forecasting and observation is another factor in the magnetron market.

The medical field is another important civilian market. In 1953 some 15,000 of the units were in use in microwave diathermy equipment. It is estimated that about 75 percent of all diathermy in use in the U.S. is of the microwave type that uses the magnetron.

Beginning to grow as another commercial market is the food field. Raytheon has two models of radar cookers on the market. One range uses one magnetron; the larger unit uses two. Microwave units are being tried by Heinz for quick quick warming of individual cans of soup. The Santa Fe railroad has used the units in its diners and a number of Howard Johnson restaurants have installed the radar stoves.

- Firms-Approximately 10 manufacturers produce magnetrons in the U.S. They make over 100 types, ranging in price from $\$ 100$ to several thousands of dollars. Importance that tube makers place on magnetron sales picture was indicated last year when IT\&T dropped out of the picture-tube business to concentrate on magnetrons and other power tubes. Establishment by GE of a new electron tube development laboratory at Stanford University to concentrate on developing and exploring the application of microwave electron tubes has also emphasized the importance of the units.


ENGINEERING prototype of the Bendix autopilot that uses card-type transistorized amplifiers, top left is flight tested as

## Automatic Pilot Sales Increase

Volume of the autopilot business is almost anyone's guess because of security regulations surrounding production. However, educated guesses indicate that somewhere in the neighborhood of 50,000 systems have been produced in the past five years, not including those for guided missiles.

One electronic manufacturer estimates that sales of flight control and gyro systems last year were between $\$ 30$ and $\$ 40$ million with pure electronics accounting for some $\$ 15$ to 20 million of the total. An autopilot company estimates that the present backlog of orders totals some $\$ 300$ million.

Despite the wide disparity in volume estimates, they indicate the importance of the field dollarwise. The average price of commercial autopilot systems has been estimated at $\$ 20,000$ and systems for military aircraft can cost much more.

Complex systems such as the one used for vertical take-off aircraft and others than can handle complete operations indicate that autopilots will become even more costly.

- Companies-Many electronic manufacturers share in the auto-
pilot business through subcontracts. One autopilot manufacturer uses over 100 subcontractors. There are about 20 U . S. manufacturers of autopilots.

Most of the work of these companies in autopilots is done under government contracts, but several firms have concentrated on the civilian aircraft field. Use of autopilots in aircraft for executives has been growing steadily. Helicopters are also becoming an important market.

- Transistors-Bendix Aviation recently announced that the first successful flight of an airplane controlled by an automatic pilot, containing transistors entirely instead of electronic tubes, had been made last May. Flight tests of this equipment are continuing.

The company delivered a completely transistorized automatic pilot system to the Air Force in April. It is being ground tested in a Lockheed F94C for eventual evaluation in high-performance aircraft.

In the equipment shown, three card-type transistorized amplifiers are used for the rudder, aileron and elevator control channels. Bridge-
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Electronics Contracts Placed Through June 30, 1954

| Country | Dollar (Value in Millions) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Air |
|  | Army | Navy | Force |
| Belgium-Luxemburg | 0.3 | 0.4 | 8.2 |
| France | 50.4 | 2.7 | 5.2 |
| Germany | 7.7 |  | 0.1 |
| Italy | 17.6 | 2.3 | 1.9 |
| Japan | 1.4 | . | 0.5 |
| Netherlands | 3.2 |  | 0.2 |
| United Kingdom | 39.2 | 9.1 | 6.0 |
| Yugoslavio | 0.2 | . | . |

and Navy roughly splitting the difference.
Purchases are typified by two antiaircraft fire predictor computers model PHF-90 for France turned over to the Signal Corps by

France's TSF. The contract, valued at $\$ 7,450,000$, was signed last June.
Other examples include a Contraves electronic predictor of British design for Belgium valued at $\$ 347,000$ and for Italy, value $\$ 2,-$ 700,000 . Also for Italy, a Contraves optical tracker of British design licensed to an Italian company, value $\$ 500,000$. For Germany: an AN/TRC-4 radio relay set, \$1,400,000 and an AN/GRC-9 receiving and transmitting set.
Examples of Navy equipment contracts let last spring: iff equipment for Great Britain, \$11,500,000 ; an $\mathrm{SG}-6 \mathrm{~B}$ radar and spare parts, $\$ 719,000$ and in spring 1953 two orders for antiaircraft radar of British design, each over $\$ 5$ million.

## Soundcasting Stations Cover Nation



Big Texas has the greatest number of a-m station authorizations as tallied from FCC records in midDecember. As shown on the map, the Lone Star State has 209 (24 $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$, both commercial and educational).

California has 155 a-m stations; Pennsylvania, 130; followed by North Carolina, 119; New York, 108 and Florida, 105.

New York City and Chicago both have $15 \mathrm{a}-\mathrm{m}$ stations apiece, followed by Los Angeles with 13. Every territorial possession, including Guam, has a-m grants. Puerto Rico's 26 a-m authorizations are more than those for any of 14
states on the mainland.

- F-M Coverage-Frequency modulation authorizations (shown on the map in parenthesis, below the a-m figure) show one or more for all but six states-Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Vermont and Wyoming. California has the greatest number (total of 51 commercial and educational) with New York and Pennsylvania close seconds (50 each). Ohio has 42.

New York City leads the municipalities with 14 f-m stations. Philadelphia, Washington and Detroit have more $f-m$ than $a-m$ grants.

## Set Manufacturers Display 1955 Models

## Twenty-five companies introduce new monochrome tv receivers and radio sets

DURING January many of the industry's tv set manufacturers displayed new monochrome tv sets for the 1955 market while only three companies introduced color models. However, with RCA's recent reduction from $\$ 175$ to $\$ 100$ for its 21 inch color tube, more new color models may soon hit the market.

- Lines-Number of models introduced by individual companies ranged from a few drop-in models to completely new lines of up to 50 models.

Predominant among the models introduced were 21 -inch sets, both table models and consoles. Sets with 17 -inch and 24 -inch screens were emphasized also.

Price changes followed the pattern of last year. Price leading 21inch and 17 -inch table models were lower than last season's equivalent. Two companies reduced prices on carry-over sets.

- Design-Greater use of the vertical chassis in new tv models was evident with at least five manufacturers showing sets using the design. Ultrahigh frequency tuners were still utilized in much the same way as in previous lines with units costing from $\$ 30$ to $\$ 50$ additional.

Emerson plans to incorporate in all its receivers for 1955 a further improvement on series-string circuits. The system cuts operating costs as much as 50 percent and boosts parts life from two to ten times, according to the firm. Pic-ture-tube accelerator voltage is increased substantially. Power consumed is about 120 watts compared to 185 watts in older models. The company also introduced new large-screen sets incorporating circuits operating on both alternating and direct current.

- Radio-New radio receivers were displayed by manufacturers with prices ranging from $\$ 12.95$
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DuMont entered the radio set business with the introduction of a 5 -tube set that can be installed inside its tv receivers and connected to the loudspeaker.

## Transistor Radio Details Released



Technical information on the experimental wrist watch radio developed by the Army Signal Corps in 1953 (Electronics, p 5, October, 1953) has been released by the Commerce Department's Office of Technical Services.

- Components-The receiver shown uses three transistors, a type 1729 point contact for the regenerative stage and two type TA-153 npn junctions for the two audio stages. Power supply is a miniature 6.5 -volt battery consisting of five RM 412 mercury cells. Battery drain is about 20 milliwatts and battery life about 10 hours. As shown in the photograph, the set utilizes a printed circuit.

Regeneration is obtained inductively with feedback controlled by the proximity of two coils. A miniature capacitor is used for tuning. Bead diodes, type 1764, serve as detector and as a d-c return.

## MEETINGS

Jan. 31-Feb. 4: AIEE Winter General Meeting, Hotels Statler \& Governor Clinton, New York, N. Y.
Feb. 10-12: Seventh Annual Conference and Electronics Show, Southwestern region of IRE, Baker Hotel, Dallas, Texas.
Feb. 11-13: Los Angeles Audio Fair, Hotel Alexandria, Los Angeles.
Feb. 14-16: Conference On High-Speed Computers; Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La.
Feb. 17-18: National Conference On Transistor Circuits sponsored by IRE, AIEE, U. of Penn.; Irvine Auditorium, University of Pennsylvania and Penn Sherwood Hotel, Phila., Pa .
Feb. 20-22: Institute of Surplus Dealers' Fourth Annual Trade Show and Convention, 212th AAA Armory, New York, N. Y.
March 1-3: Joint Western Computer Conference and Exhibit sponsored by IRE, AIEE, ACM; Statler Hotel. Los Angeles, Calif.
March 21-24: 1955 IRE National Convention, Waldorf Astoria Hotel \& Kingsbridge Armory, New York, N. Y.
Mar. 28-Apr. 1: Society for Nondestructive Testing, technical sessions, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles.
April 15-16: Ninth Annual Spring Technical Conference, Cincinnati IRE; Engineering Society Bldg., Cincinnati, Ohio.
APRIL 19-21: Twelfth British

Radio Components Show, Grosvenor House, London.
April 25-27: Eighth Annual Conference for Protective Relay Engineers, A \& M College of Texas, College Station, Texas.
May 2-5: Third Annual Semiconductor Symposium of the Electrochemical Society, Cincinnati, Ohio.
May 4-6: Fourth International Aviation Trade Show, 69th Regiment Armory, New York, May 6: American Association of Spectrographers Sixth Annual Conference, Chicago, Ill.
MAY 16-19: Electronic Parts Distributors Show, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago.
May 18-20: Annual National Telemetering Conference and Exhibit sponsored by IRE, aIEE, IAS, ISA; Hotel Morrison, Chicago, Ill.
May 19-21: Global Communications Conference, sponsored by AFCA; Hotel Commodore, New York, N. Y.
June 3-5: ARRL Hudson Division Convention and Amateur Radio Equipment Show, Hotel Adelon, Long Beach, N. Y.
Aug. 23-SEpt. 3: British National Radio Show, Earls Court, London.
Aug. 24-26: 1955 WESCON, Civic Auditorium and Fairmount Hotel, San Francisco, Calif.
SEPT. 27-Oct. 1: International Analogy Computation Meeting sponsored by the SITEL of Belgium, Brussels.
Nov. 14-17: Second International Automation Exposition, Navy Pier, Chicago, Ill.

## Industry Shorts

- Over 47,000 channel miles of AT\&T cross-country communications routes were re-engineered and re-equipped to carry color tv to 139 stations in 101 cities in 1954.
- Eight companies in the electronics field have been awarded Certificates of Management Excellence for 1954 in the sixth annual management survey by the American Institute of Management.
- Fund for the Advancement of Education has provided $\$ 43,845$ to determine the feasibility of using closed-circuit tv for college instruction. The study will be conducted at Pennsylvania State University.
- Number of retail radio and tv dealers in the U. S. has increased by nearly 12,000 in less than two years, according to RETMA.
- Americans will need over $5 \frac{1}{2}$ million new picture tubes for their tv sets in 1955, according to GE.
- Closed circuit industrial color tv equipment will be manufactured by CBS-Columbia.
- Spain now produces some 200,000 radio sets a year and has become an exporter of receivers, according to the country's radio manufacturers association.
- Chimney sweep in Stockholm has invented a radio transmitter and receiver for detecting flaws in flues.


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General Electric's TYPE IR-50 combination watthour meter and time switch used to control off-peak water-heater loads. The motor coil is encased with molded Du Pont "Zytel" nylon resin for superior insulation and protection.


This picture shows how a molded jacket of Du Pont "Zytel" nylon resin encapsulates motor coil. This piece is economically produced by a simple molding cycle.
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## Simple Molding Technique

 Other considerations dictated the use of Du Pont "Zytel" (Continued, column I back side)
## "Zytel" (continued)

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# Business Aid for Our Colleges Voluntary or Involuntary? 

Previous editorials in this series have shown that:

- As a group the nation's independent, privately endowed colleges and universities are in grave financial trouble, and
- There are many different means by which business firms can extend a helping hand to these institutions.
This editorial, one of a series devoted to the financial problems of higher education, sulmits this proposition: If business firms do not voluntarily go to the financial aid of higher education, there is every prospect that they will soon be providing more financial support for higher education involuntarily, through taxation.

If this prospect materializes, one of the basic elements of a well-balanced system of higher education - a strong array of independent colleges and universities - may well be dangerously weakened if not destroyed. And in the process a potentially crucial bulwark for freedom of enterprise in the United States-that same strong array of independent colleges and universities - will be undermined.

Acceptance of these propositions implies absolutely no disparagement of tax-supported colleges and miversities. These have an indispensable role in the total system of higher education in the United States. Leaders of these
institutions would be among the first to agree that their position is strengthened by a strong system of independent institutions, supported privately rather than by political agencies.

What is the evidence that in one way or another, voluntarily or involuntarily, business will be giving more financial support to higher education? One impressive part of this evidence is provided by the recent rapid increase in the proportion of college and university students attending tax-supported institutions.

## Rapid Shift in Enrollment

In the fall of 1952 tax-supported colleges and universities enrolled about 7.5 per cent more students than the independent institutions. In 1953 this percentage was doubled. And in 1954 the tax-supported institutions enrolled 26 per cent more students.

In the case of students entering college for the first time the relative growth of the tax-supported institutions recently has been even more striking. In 1952, the number of beginning students in the tax-supported schools, as reported by the U. S. Office of Education, exceeded those in the independent colleges and universities by 35 per cent. In 1954, just two years later, this figure jumped to 49 per cent.

Why has the proportion of students attending tax-supported colleges and universities been in-
creasing so rapidly? There are many reasons. But a dominant reason is that, in order to keep going at all, the independent institutions have been forced to make large increases in the prices they charge for instruction. The purchasing power of their endowment funds has been cut in half by price inflation. The capacity of the wealthy to supplement their endowments by gifts, as they have done in the past, has been greatly reduced by high taxes. As a result these schools have been forced to rely increasingly on higher prices for instruction (tuition as it is called in academic circles) to make both ends meet.

Since 1940, the independent colleges and universities have raised their tuition fees by an average of about 60 per cent. This is considerably less than the increase of about 100 per cent in prices generally since 1940. And it is nowhere near enough to prevent the faculty memhers of the independent colleges from faring miserably in terms of salaries, a matter of major national importance to which we shall return in this series. But the increase in tuition fees of the independent colleges has been much greater than the increase in the fees charged by the taxsupported schools. And that price differential increasingly tends to shunt students into the schools which are supported chiefly by taxes. Independent colleges now charge, on the average, about $\$ 580$ per year for a full course of instruction while the tax-supported institutions charge, on the average, about $\$ 240$.

## Bigger Tax Bill in Prospect

A large increase in the total enrollment in our colleges and universities during the next decade is in prospect, particularly when the great increase in births during World War II is reflected in the number of young men and women of college age. With a total of 2.5 million students at present enrolled in our institutions of higher learning, it is estimated that the total will be over 3 million by 1960 .

If this trend continues most of the anticipated increase in college and miversity enrollment will be concentrated in tax-supported institutions. Indeed, if the shift toward tax-supported institutions that has occurred in the last three years were to continue over the next six years at the same rate, about two million of the three million students anticipated in 1960 would be in tax-supported colleges and universities and
one million in independent schools. In 1950 there was a $50-50$ division in enrollment. This shift would mean, of course, a corresponding increase in the tax bill for tax-supported educatimon. And of this bill, we can be sure that an ample share would be assessed against business firms.

## No Easy Solution

The best way, of course, to put a brake on a soaring tax bill for higher education is to help the independent institutions get in shape fimancoaly to carry a larger share of the student load. For most companies the development of a mutually satisfactory program of financial aid for higher education is a complicated process. In fact, it is so complicated that some companies with an initial disposition to provide financial help are inclined to despair of working out a mutually constructive plan.

If, however, the leaders of business will contemplate seriously the only available alternative to their extending voluntary help to our independent colleges and universifies, their determination to work out a plan will be strengthened. For that alternalive involves a grave weakening of our sysfem of higher education, together with an involuntary increase in the financial support of higher education by business. The increase would come through higher taxes. Contemplation of such an alternative should, if necessary, toughen the will of business firms generally to do everything possible to extend financial help to ont independent colleges and universities.

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| BONDING STRENGTH-FOIL TO LAMINATE |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | MATERIAL | Average or Typical Value Lbs. pull per 1" width of foil to separate |
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| XXXP-24 or | XXXP-26 plus $0.0028^{\prime \prime}$ copper | 7109 |
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|  | GB-112S plus 0.0014"' copper | 6108 |
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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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## cross <br> TALK

- LONG-RANGE PLANNING . . . Making the rounds in the middle west last month, we were impressed by the number of companies working on design, production and sales programs covering the next five to ten years.

This seems smart, since longrange economic forecasts are optimistic and any downward fluctuations in business are likely to be momentary. They should be readily bridged over. Management that failed to provide the bridges, by adopting a short-term policy, could easily lose out to competition.

- DYNAMIC TESTING . . . Reliability requirements of giant computers, guided missiles and modern radar have outgrown conventional testing techniques.

The functional or "can-you-see-the-grass" approach went by the boards some years ago. Then marginal testing had its day; this involved boosting voltages until the weakest components popped.

Today emphasis is on dynamic testing. Complex instruments feed new equipment off-beat waveforms simulating the worst possible environment. The test unit evaluates performance and lights up green for good and red for no good. Some testers go on and pinpoint trouble in detail.

- TRAINER TROUBLE . . . Speaking of complex instruments, just
the other day we saw a very efficient device designed to train radar operators. It uses ultrasonic principles and is equipped with several fancy devices that keep water in a large tray pure; just a little bit of algae shows up as a forest of trees.
- MANPOWER PROMISE . . . One of our McGraw-Hill associates who attended a recent Science Fair (some 60 of these are conducted throughout the country each year) reports that high school students in attendance indicated the following career interests :

[^10]These are the youngsters (average age 15) upon whom much of the promise of tomorrow rides.

## - BOOTSTRAP OPERATION . .

High-frequency heating is coming into widespread use as part of the process for growing semiconductor crystals. Thus electronic apparatus is being used to make more electronic apparatus and, particularly, to do it in such a way that
larger yields and increased reliability are obtained.

Speaking of semiconductors, one of the major applications now becoming apparent is the control of adjustable-speed drives using d-c motors. This work is well along, one of the few remaining bugs being the inclusion of adequate overload protection.

- INGENUITY . . . The tendency to automatically specify special components that may be unnecessarily costly is nowhere more common than in connection with government projects. Just the other day we heard about a designer who successfully leaned the other way; he found that heavygage paint cans made excellent shielded containers for electronic equipment that may eventually show up in some far off place such as the South Pacific.
- HOT TELEMETER . . . As more and more broadcast transmitters are equipped for unattended operation by remote control it might be a good idea to include in the stl one additional channel monitoring ambient temperature inside the building.

A California transmitter inexplicably went off the air without warning not so long ago, inexplicablv, that is, until the studio learned that the distant building in which all the gear was housed had burned to the ground.

# Launching Control 



View of main control racks illustrates complexity of equipment. Engineer is checking function relays


FIG, 1-Relationship of quided-missile firing system to other range instrumentation

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WELL-PLANNED and completely instrumented missile test facilities provide a central timing system to supply accurate and wellintegrated timing and control signals to many pieces of data-gathering equipment, such as phototheodolites, high and low-speed cameras of various types and radar units whose outputs are fed to plotting boards and/or data reduction computers. These recordings are tied together by a correlated set of signals from the basic timing system.

Data recording is highly important in a missile research program whether that research is directed toward the development of a tactical weapon or toward upper atmosphere investigation.

The entire data-gathering operation centers around the launching and flight of the missile, for which it is desirable to start necessary timing signals in close coincidence with the actual launching.

As can be seen in Fig. 1, the firing system is the only link between the base timing system and the missile during the time immediately prior to launching.

Small rockets such as those used with the bazooka or recoilless antitank rifle, require a firing circuit consisting of only a switch and battery to ignite the propellant and effect a launching. However, in the case of a more elaborate research type of rocket or missile many functions must be performed at predetermined times and with proper time relation to each other, often in the last few seconds before launching. Examples of these functions are: uncage the gyros; ignite flares or auxiliary rockets within the missile; start pressurizing pumps; control various fuel valves; switch in internal power supplies;

# for Guided Missiles 

Master timing circuits program the firing of guided missiles, actuate guidance and telemetering equipment and alert rocket-range control units. Fail-safe and interlocking provisions guard against premature detonation of propellants


Matador pilotless bomber (left) is typical of missiles fired by automatic launching systems. System can handle needs of two-stage rockets (right)


Essential controls and indicators are grouped on fire control panels
alert or actuate tracking and guidance devices; start instrumentation and recording devices; separate umbilical connectors; operate or alert telemetering equipment.

Manual performance of these functions can lead to confusion and inaccuracy and it is, therefore, desirable to perform as many of them by an automatic programming system as possible. During launching a fraction of a second delay in actuating one valve with respect to another may mean the difference of several thousand feet in altitude attained or several miles in distance traveled by the test vehicle. This is due to the fact that fuel or propellant loads are inefficiently used while the missile is sitting on the pad awaiting the opening of, for example, the main stage valves.

## General Description

Normal laboratory procedures require that similar tests be repeated as consistently as possible with only the desired functions being changed and these in a well-controlled manner. The firing system provides a
sufficiently versatile and well-controlled programming facility to meet these and other requirements.

The firing system consists of the main control racks and a fire control panel located in each of the blockhouses in the launching area.

The programming section of the main control racks provides fully automatic control of any combination of up to 92 separate functions. These functions may be performed at any -second increment during the 180 seconds before and 30 sec onds following time T minus 0 or reference time.

The main control racks house also a timing signal separation and synchronizing circuit, automatic summing relays for delaying the program (hold fire) and a group of indicators showing the status of the various sections of the system at all times during an operation. Also included are the events recorders and the d-c power supplies necessary for the various panels. A separate 18 -trace recording oscillograph is provided to record higherfrequency signals than those
handled by the events recorders. A record of up to 80 slow events and a maximum of 18 high-speed events may be obtained for any given launching. This does not include telemetering recordings.

The fire control panel shown in a photograph provides the launching supervisor with full control over the programming section in the main control racks as well as a complete visual indication of the status of all factors pertinent to the launching control system. Appearing on the panel are such controls as sequence start, hold fire, permit reset, safety circuit breaker open and reset or close controls and launching-area-clear indicator. Since the sequence-start control initiates the series of events leading ultimately to the firing of the rocket, it becomes the pushbutton of the system.

## Automatic Sequence Panel

The automatic sequence panel of the programming section sets up a series of unique combinations of pulses to provide actuating voltages


FIG. 2-Functional block diagram of automatic sequence panel
to the function relays at any desired time throughout the sequence. It consists of a high-speed keying relay and a pair of stepping-type rotary switches. Also located on this panel are switches to set the sequence duration, synchronizing relays and the sequence-start and hold-fire relays. Figure 2 is a functional block diagram of the automatic sequence panel.
The keying relay receives its actuating current through any one of five keying tubes. This relay has single-pole double-throw contacts and voltage pulses from both nor-mally-open and normally-closed contacts are utilized.
The circuit uses two types of stepping switches: a 50 -point fourlevel unit and a 25 -point three-level unit. The 50 -point or units switch is operated through a 10 -second interval at a rate of 5 steps per second. At the end of each of these 10 -second intervals a pulse is applied to the coil of the 25 -point or tens switch. Thus, the units switch programs consecutive 10 -second intervals throughout the sequence of an operation while the tens switch programs the 2110 -second increments of time from $T$ minus 180 to plus 30 seconds at the rate of one step every 10 seconds. Figure 3 is a simplified schematic of the stepping switch circuit.

Twenty-eight-volt positive pulses from the keying relay are applied to the units stepping switch actu-
ating coil through contacts on the sequence-start and hold-fire relays. These positive keyed pulses are also fed to the wiper arm of the functions level of this units switch, then through the time terminals to the positive input of the function relay circuits. The wiper arm of the functions level on the tens switch is connected to ground. The contacts of this level, therefore, provide a ground return for the function relays when connected to the respective tens time terminals.

Thus, with the units switch repeatedly programming a 10 -second interval of time and the tens switch providing a different ground return for every 10 -second block of time, a separate and distinct coincidence of positive voltage and negative return pulse combinations is set up for every $\frac{7}{3}$ second of time throughout the sequence.

Other levels on the stepping switch are used for visual countdown indication, synchronization to the range timing system and sequence duration reset.

Since these stepping switches are electrically cocked and spring driven when the pulse is removed, the function contacts are never used to interrupt current flow. This is conducive to extremely long life and high reliability in these critical circuits. The switches are hermetically sealed and suspended in oil. This type of construction solves the lubrication problem and enhances
reliability and life expectancy.
Three rotary selector switches provide for homing or resetting the automatic programming system to any point up to reference or firing time.

The sequence-start and master hold-fire relays are closed when the start button is pushed. This completes the circuit from the keying relay and applies pulses to the actuating coil of the stepping switch. If the start button is operated during the last half of a keyed pulse, any function relays to be operated by that particular pulse will fail to be picked up. This malfunction is prevented by using the space voltage from the back contact of the keying relay. Likewise, a hold fire cannot be effected except during the interval or space be-


FIG. 3-Simplified schematic of step. ping circuit
tween pulses. This prevents a function relay from receiving only the small first part of the pulse.

## Function Relays

There are 92 relay groups, designated as function relays, which may be actuated at any time throughout the automatic program and released at any subsequent time. Actuation may apply or remove any voltage in a function circuit or merely close or open a set of contacts as desired.

Assignments of the function relays are: 48 for missile functions; 24 for operational functions, including camera starts, prereference signal, reference time, conditional hold-fire sampling, positive time indication and hold-fire lock; 8 for automatic hold-fire sampling; 6 for firing functions; 6 for safety functions (used to arm the firing-function relays).

Each relay group includes a master function relay which receives the locking pulse, a release relay which operates from the unlocking pulse, a test-operate switch, indicator and suppressor lamps and a group of blocking rectifiers. Electrical arrangement of these components is shown in Fig. 4.

Since the relay circuits are of the electrically holding type, a means of preventing the holding voltages from feeding back into the stepping-switch circuits of the automatic sequence panel is required. Also, since the two sides of the relay coils are operating in a coincidence arrangement and may be in combination with many other


FIG. 4-Typical circuit of a function relay
coils, it is necessary to prevent sneak circuits from actuating the relays at a time other than that intended. It is for these reasons that the selenium blocking rectifiers are used as shown in Fig. 4.

The multipole switch in its lower position allows manual testing of the function circuit. In its center position the switch releases the relay or prevents its operation if desired while the upper position connects the relay group to the automatic sequence panel for automatic operation at the intended time.

The function relay coils are connected to the automatic sequence panel through the time terminals by jumpers which can be left in place for repeated identical launching programs or may be changed from one launching to another.

This allows a firing sequence to be carefully and accurately controlled for each operation. Such close control cannot be realized when the missile firing operations are controlled manually because of the inconsistancies and errors of human reactions.

Certain functions remain reasonably fixed for all launching operations. These functions have to do with the internal operation of the system or with base instrumentation. Twenty-four of these operational functions are provided for and grouped on a panel. Their electrical operation is identical to the missile function relays.

In some missiles it is necessary to stop or hold certain functions if other prior functions have not yet occurred. In this case, arrangement is made to provide signals from the missile for each critical function or group. Sensing relays located on the automatic hold-fire relay panel read these signals and associated relays sample the circuits of each critical function immediately prior to the operation time for the next critical function. If the signal is present, the system will proceed without hesitation. If the signal is absent, the system will stop immediately and hold until the situation is correct to proceed. Provision is made for eight such samplings to be made throughout a given program.

The launching control system
provides six high-current firingline circuits. These are energized simultaneously or at different times through 50 -ampere contactors. The contactors are actuated by the firing function relays located in the main control racks. For safety, the contacts of the firing function relays are not energized until shortly before their operate times. Application of voltage to their contacts is done by the safety function or arming relays. Safety precautions also include eliminating test switches from the firing and safety function relay circuits.


Time base generator for laboratory checkout uses plug-in circuits

It is desirable to program the launching of a missile so that $T$ minus zero or reference time is in coincidence with the one-pulse-persecond signals of the range timing system. Since the firing system operates with a finer resolution than the 1-pps signals and since it is difficult for the launching supervisor to press the start button on any desired 5 -second pulse, a means for automatically synchronizing the firing system to the range timing signals is provided by the time pulse separator in conjunction with circuits within the automatic sequence panel in a manner which makes out-of-sync operation of the system practically impossible. Figure 5 shows the basic steppingswitch synchronizing methods.

The 5 -pps timing signal is fed simultaneously to a string of bistable multivibrators arranged as a five-stage linear counter, as in Fig. 3. This counter operates in the normal fashion except that the last stage is not fed back to reset the first stage and it is therefore not self sustaining. To make it operate continuously, the first stage is reset by the $1-\mathrm{pps}$ time signal. In
this manner, the linear counter operates in synchronization with the 1 and 5 -pps time signals. If the counter should miss a pulse it is resynchronized every second throughout the automatic countdown.

Outputs of the individual stages of the linear counter are fed to monostable one-shot multivibrators. The time constants of these oneshots are adjusted to give output pulses having a width of 40 milliseconds. The output of flip-flop 5 and, hence, the output of one-shot 5 will always occur in coincidence with the 1 -second time pulse. This 1 -second pulse is delayed slightly and used to reset flip-flop 1, so that the ${ }^{\frac{1}{3} \text {-second pulse immediately fol- }}$ lowing each 1 -second signal will give an output from one-shot 1 . The next $z^{7}$-second pulse will give an output from one-shot 2 and so on through the cycle until the fifth $\frac{1}{8}$-second pulse will give an output from one-shot 5 in exact coincidence with the next 1 -second signal. Thus the circuit arrangement provides a means of separating and identifying the 5 -pps signals by causing one of the flip-flop one-shot combinations to handle only the 0.8 second pulses, the next combination to handle the 0.6 -second pulses and so on.

The output signals from the oneshots are fed to the grids of five keying tubes. Plate voltage for these tubes is fed through the keying relay coil and contacts of five $\frac{1}{5}$-second indicator relays. Only the relay corresponding to the posi-
tion of the stepping switch will be closed and plate voltage applied to its associated keying tube. If the time signal received corresponds also to this position, plate current will flow and cause the keying relay to pulse the stepping switch coil. The switch will step to the next position and close the next succeeding relay. This prepares the associated keying tube to accept the next time signal. If the signal being received does not correspond to the stepping switch position, the latter will not operate but will wait until the counter has reached that position.

## Hold-Fire

Prior to the start of a given programmed sequence or during a period of hold fire, the linear counter continues to operate in synchronism with the timing center. During the hold-fire period, however, the stepping-switch indi-cator-relay combination performs as a memory register to insure that the automatic sequence will be reinstated on the proper $\frac{1}{3}$-second step and in exact sync with the counter.

Since the function relays operate in approximately 17 milliseconds, the 40 -millisecond pulse width was chosen to give an operating margin of slightly better than two to one.

The time pulse separator utilizes packaged circuit units for counting, shaping and controlling the width of the timing pulses. Use of these plug-in units allows a neat component arrangement and cuts main-


FIG. 5-Basic schematic of stepping-switch synchronizing circuits
tenance or replacement time to a minimum.

The firing system utilizes a group of lamps to indicate the exact status of the countdown sequence throughout the automatic phase. They indicate the exact time remaining until reference time. Main control panels within the blockhouse indicate status to the nearest $\frac{1}{3}$-second increment while remote indicator panels indicate to the nearest second. One person reads the various combinations of lights and gives a voice count over the public address and communications systems.

Some confusion existed when the announcer, counting in one-second increments, would see the zero light come on and say, "Zero", only to have the count progress on through $-0.8,-0.6,-0.4,-0.2$, and finally to true zero or reference time. Attempts to modify the visual countdown indicators to eliminate this difficulty introduced the problem of obtaining correct transfer of the tens lights.

An effective system was devised that uses two separate ground return busses for the remote tens indicators which are switched to insert a delay during the transfer from 40 to 39,30 to 29,20 to 19 etc.
Visual countdown indicators are located throughout the site.

## Safety Features

The launching operations of some modern guided missiles involve the use of many tons of highly volatile fuel and/or thousands of pounds of high explosives. It is therefore necessary to take many precautions for the safe control and firing of these vehicles.

The firing equipment is located in a concrete and steel blockhouse located a short distance from the launching pad. Those persons directly responsible for the launching operation are stationed here and view the missile through ports fitted with eight to ten-inch-thick explo-sion-proof glass. Elsewhere on the range, flight safety officers and test control officers receive information as to whether conditions throughout the range are satisfactory for the safe launching of the missile.

All responsible personnel are provided with controls which will either allow them to stop the prog-


FIG. 6-Schematic of time base generator for laboratory checkout of main control rack circuits
ress of the automatic countdown (hold fire) or prevent launching by opening the safety circuit breakers in the firing lines. Some officers are provided with both sets of controls. When an unsafe condition occurs, any one of these persons has merely to flip a switch and the firing will not take place until the unsafe condition is cleared.

Fail-safe circuits are used in all critical control lines. A control voltage must be present on these lines before automatic operation may proceed. Hold-fire circuits as well as those controlling the safety circuit breakers are arranged to go to a safe condition in event of a circuit or power failure. An individual voltage source for each of these control circuits is located in the same building as the control. Thus, if a control-line pair either opens or shorts, a hold-fire occurs.

The firing circuits are electrically open at points called arming stations. These stations are provided with locked doors and are armed with uniquely keyed plugs. The person making final connections to the electrical firing circuits carries the keys and plugs for the particular lines he is using. Since no other plugs will fit the arming stations on those lines, he is spared the embarrassment of having the missile take off as he connects the last wire.

Booster or RATO bottles and flares are fired by a device called a squib. This is similar to an electrical dynamite cap. A squib checker is provided to measure the electrical continuity of these squibs. This instrument will indicate a readable
difference between a good squib, whose resistance may be as low as one tenth ohm, a shorted squib or an open circuit. Current through the measured circuit is limited to a maximum of 3 ma even with a shorted squib or in the event any component should fail within the test set.

The squib checker also provides for measuring the firing lines to detect any d-c or a-c voltages present. The voltage indicator scale is not calibrated since the presence of any voltage denotes a dangerous condition and the firing lines should not be armed. On the most sensitive range, the presence of only a few millivolts can be detected.

Resistors are provided at various places across the firing lines to prevent buildup of static charges on these circuits. Their resistances must be low enough to leak off the charges yet high enough to prevent the flow of current induced from adjacent lines. They are of the composition carbon type, chosen over the wire-wound type because they usually become defective by changing value rather than by opening completely.

## Testing

System check-out cannot be completed until the equipment is installed in the various locations throughout the launching site and all interconnections made. Panels can be thoroughly tested in the laboratory, however, either individually or in small groups. Largest units of equipment to undergo lab tests are the main control racks. This part of the system is made
operable for such tests by installing jumpers and feeding in voltages to simulate control signals.

The system will not operate if the 1 and 5 -pps signals from the central timing equipment are not fed into the time pulse separator. Since this equipment is not available for lab tests, a suitable substitute has been devised to furnish the necessary time signals.

The test set, shown in a photograph, consists of a free-running 5 -pps multivibrator and a series of flip-flops arranged as an $n / 5$ frequency divider to give the $1-p p s$ signal. High accuracy is not necessary for test purposes but close correlation between the two signals is imperative. By increasing the $\mathrm{R}-\mathrm{C}$ time constant of the multivibrator, the stepping rate may be reduced for slow-motion tests. Since the $5-\mathrm{pps}$ signal is divided digitally, the 1-pps signal stays in perfect synchronization with it and the system operates smoothly even at extremely low speeds. Figure 6 depicts schematically the operation of the timebase generator.

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Selectable single-sideband dual-diversity receiver with single-sideband conver ters (top) for electronic bandwidth control


Top view of signal splitter that embodies bandwidth selection

# Dynamic 

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ASERIOUS Limitation to consistently reliable long-distance radio communications in the highfrequency band is the obvious discrepancy that exists, at various times of the day and seasons of the year, between the usable bits of the band as compared to the total allocated. This phenomenon is caused by the vagaries of propagation and behavior of the ionosphere.

In recent years, the heavy and ever-growing world-wide radio traffic in these limited portions of the band adds substantially to the difficulty of long-distance communications and has resulted in increased congestion and jamming interference.

## Passband Requirements

The problem of signal-jamming under conditions of spectrum saturation is further complicated by frequency instability of the transmitters and the lack of adherence to world-wide agreement on frequency allocations. Ideal channel spacing to prevent interference at the receiver is determined by more complex considerations than simply that of information bandwidth. Communication links employing fixed-frequency receivers require greater channel spacing than systems using tunable receivers because the selectivity characteristic of the receiver must be broadened at the passband points to allow for the maximum frequency deviation of both transmitter and receiver.

# Receiver Selectivity 

Continuously variable bandpass filters provide an ideal attenuation characteristic to eliminate adjacent-channel interference or deliberate jamming in high-frequency radio receivers. Electronic control of bandwidth extends to diversity reception

Besides receiver passband requirements and frequency drift, channel spacing for minimum adjacent channel interference is also influenced by the selectivity shapefactor of the receiver. It has been shown ${ }^{1}$ that for double-sideband transmissions of voice frequencies having sidebands $\pm 2.5 \mathrm{kc}$ received on fixed-frequency receivers, the required channel spacing is 20.5 kc when the receiver has a selectivity shape-factor of 3-to-1.

## Shape Factor

By reducing the receiver selectivity shape-factor to 1.2 -to- 1 by the use of i-f filters having greater attenuation at the $60-\mathrm{db}$ points, the channel spacing could be reduced to
about 14 kc . However, a tunable receiver does not require a selectivity bandwidth in the passband in excess of the sidebands transmitted. Such a receiver with a 1.2 -to-1 shape-factor would provide the same degree of protection from adjacentchannel interference as the fixedfrequency receiver when the channel spacing was reduced to but 8.5 kc for the same maximum channel deviation.

It has been assumed, in considering channel spacing and receiver selectivity, that the passband requirements of a receiver must equal the transmitted sidebands plus possible drift in the transmitter and receiver. However, this is not necessarily so since usable jam-free
bandwidth in the high-frequency band is not predictable.

## Agile Selectivity

It follows that for the maximum effective maintenance of communications, the receiver selectivity characteristics should be agile and capable of matching the actual passband possibility under any given jamming condition, rather than bandwidth of the transmitted sidebands. Otherwise frequency and intensity of the beatnotes produced by jamming may seriously mask the desired information over a large portion of the audio-frequency spectrum. The overall effect with a fixed passband is a much greater loss of intelligibility than would be the


FIG. l-Single-sideband selectivity versus selectivity of associated receiver


FIG. 2-Elements of electronic variable-bandwidth control system using two converters, crystal and variable frequency oscillators and filter
case in reducing the bandwidth sufficiently to remove the heterodyne beatnote.

In the reception of double-sideband (dsb) transmissions jamming can be eliminated effectively in many cases by reducing the total
bandwidth without loss of transmitted information frequencies employing more sophisticated means than is the common concept of receiver selectivity.

By employing a selectable-singlesideband (sssb) demodulator, a
jamming carrier in one of the sidebands of a dsb signal can be rejected without sacrifice of the theoretical information passband requirements.

When interference occurs in both sidebands, the jamming effects can


FIG. 3-Block diagram shows signal splitter for which schematic is given in Fig. 4


FIG. 4-Upper or lower sideband can be selected at will. Electronic bandwidth control operates by tuning oscillator $V_{4 B}$
be eliminated by use of sssb demodulation for rejection of the jamming signal producing the greater loss of intelligibility and rejection of the jamming effects in the other sideband by precise control of its bandwidth. Precise bandwidth control of the receiver will also provide the greatest intelligibility-to-jamming ratio protection possible for the reception of ssb transmissions subject to jamming.

## Bandwidth Control

A commercially available sssb converter (the McLaughlin MCL-50/50-B Signal-Splitter) has been designed to be used with modern communications radio receivers having high-order frequency stability for the reception of dsb, ssb, single-sideband suppressed-carrier or c-w transmissions. This equipment provides exalted-carrier reception for both normal and reducedcarrier transmissions of either ssb or dsb signals.

A stable local oscillator provides a carrier frequency for demodulation of suppressed-carrier or c-w transmissions. The bandwidth of either selected sideband is continuously variable from 6 kc down to approximately 400 cps as shown in Fig. 1. The attenuation outside the chosen bandwidth is 60 db at 500 cps from the $6-\mathrm{db}$ points.

Variable bandwidth is accomplished by cascading fixed bandpass filters having ideal attenuation and passband characteristics, in an electronic dual-modulation bandwidth-
product process. A block diagram of the basic system to accomplish this is shown in Fig. 2. In this system, the input signal from the i-f of the associated receiver is converted to a new frequency range by a crystalcontrolled oscillator and mixer circuit. It is then applied to a bandpass filter having a passband equal to only one sideband of the signal. These operations are shown in Fig. 3 and 4. Either sideband can be selected by changing the crystal frequency of the fixed-frequency oscillator.

## Double Filter

The single-sideband signals are then applied to a second frequency converter and bandpass filter having the same bandwidth as the first. This converter utilizes a variablefrequency oscillator to shift the undesired frequencies (such as jamming signals) passed by the first filter out of the passband of the second filter. This procedure provides continuously variable bandwidth with ideal frequency-shape factor without compromise of the highest intelligibility-to-interference ratio possible under jamming conditions.

However, owing to the unpredictable and fluctuating nature of signal interference in some highfrequency bands, undesired signals may be expected to drift or change instantaneously. This necessitates full attention of an operator who must continually switch sidebands and adjust bandwidth under diffi-


FIG. 5-Elements of automatic bandwidth control that rejects jamming
cult jamming conditions.
Such is true in international radio broadcasting where it is often required to employ relay stations to rebroadcast on lower frequencies to local audiences. In this field, the relay stations employ selectable-single-sideband receivers to reduce jamming effects on their program rebroadcasts.

Effective program protection from jamming requires that at no time should the program be disturbed by sideband switching clicks. Both sidebands must be monitored to insure that the sideband in use is really the one freest of interference. The problem becomes more difficult where dual or triple-diversity receivers are used, requiring that all receivers be switched separately.

## Antijamming Receiver

An improved antijamming receiving method has been designed into the McLaughlin DDX-RID independent ssb receiver. In essence it consists of a precision frequencycontrolled superheterodyne with independent ssb demodulators of the type described. One unit demodulates the upper sideband and the other the lower. The demodulated products from both are combined in a common load.

This method of reception greatly simplifies the work of the operator in controlling receiver jamming. By means of binaural headphones (one earpiece connected to the output of each sideband channel) the operator monitors each sideband and adjusts the bandwidth in either or both for minimum interference. Since no bandwidth switching is involved, optimum reception is accomplished smoothly and rapidly. Where diversity reception is employed, servo systems can be supplied to control bandwidth of all receivers remotely. The bandwidth of each sideband for all receivers on the same circuit can be meter-indicated remotely.

## Servocontrol

Under some types of operation and where cost is warranted, antijamming bandwidth control can be accomplished automatically by servo-controlling the bandwidth-


FIG. 6-Automatic bandwidth control rejects jamming carriers in a dual single-sideband receiving system
control oscillator with a signal proportional to the jamming frequency. A block diagram describing a simplified system is shown in Fig. 5 and a complete block diagram for automatic dual-bandwidth control of both sidebands is shown in Fig. 6. This system of ssb variable bandwidth is much the same as that of the DDX-RID receiver. However, it differs in that the signal carrier and the ssb are separated by filters in the first ssb conversion.

## Removing Jammers

A jamming carrier in the passband of the first ssb filter is mixed with a local frequency source to produce a beating frequency that will fall in the range from 5,000 to 9,700 cps. This signal passes through a frequency-sensing circuit that provides a d-c signal proportional to the jamming frequency for servo-
controlling the bandwidth control oscillator to the correct frequency (bandwidth) for $60-\mathrm{db}$ attenuation of the interference.

When the jamming carrier moves to within a few hundred cycles of the signal's carrier, it falls out of the ssb filter and control circuit and full bandwidth is restored. The lowfrequency beat notes are removed from the receiver demodulators by high-pass filters. Such a system assures freedom from beatnote interference.

The jamming monitoring circuit in both independently controlled sidebands automatically adjusts the bandwidth of each ssb demodulator to the exact width required for a $60-\mathrm{db}$ rejection of the jamming carrier.

By combining the demodulated outputs in a common load, the maximum usable information can be ex-
tracted from the transmitted a-m signal.

The basic principle of continuously variable bandwidth control has already been proven practical for elimination of carrier jamming in high-frequency receivers. Extending this principle to include automatic features can provide protection from accidental and some forms of malicious jamming to unattended radio communications circuits.
In time of stress it can likewise eliminate an unpredictable human element and still maintain optimum communications in the face of severe jamming.

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Front panel shows different functions of signal generator


FIG. 1-Instrument has three main circuit sections

# Transistorized 

# F-M Signal Generator 

Instrument has 10 -millivolt output over range of 20 to 100 mc , plus crystal calibrator and nine preset crystal-controlled frequencies for checking i-f circuits. Designed for military applications, circuit has reactance-transistor frequency modulator

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$\boldsymbol{A}^{\text {p }}$PPLICATION of transistors to test equipment has resulted in a frequency-modulated signal generator covering the frequency range of 20 to 100 mc .

The unit has a maximum output of 10 millivolts across 10 ohms. Auxiliary circuits include a crystal calibrator, which provides calibration marks every even megacycle and nine crystal-controlled oscillators preset to cover 1.4 to 20 mc for checking receiver i-f circuits. The block diagram of the generator is shown in Fig. 1.

Most of the engineering difficulties were due to the inherent inability of transistors to operate
efficiently at higher radio frequencies. Two known approaches ${ }^{1,2}$ involved application of tetrode-type junction transistors or point-contact transistors adapted by their design features to operate at high frequencies.

## Transistors

At the time the project was started only 2 N33 point-contact transistors were available for highfrequency operation. Production difficulties connected with the very small spacing between emitter and collector points (of the order of 0.0005 in .) caused the mortality rate of these transistors to be very
high initially, but reliability soon improved to a satisfactory degree.

Effects of ambient conditions on transistor performance were dealt with by partial temperature control and stabilization of power supply sources.

Although some point-contact transistors have been known to oscillate up to approximately 300 mc , it was not safe to count on this in production-equipment design. Also, r-f voltage level obtainable from vhf point-contact transistor oscillators varied greatly from sample to sample.

Precision signal generators usually have high insertion loss be-
tween their oscillatory circuits and stipulated output load. Efficiency of the power transfer from the tuned circuit is therefore of no consequence and output adjustment methods such as a piston-type attenuator can be used in conventional design. As a result of the extremely low power yield of transistor circuits at high frequencies and their susceptibility to frequency variation caused by load variation, power-transfer efficiency is critical in the case of a transistorized signal generator.

## Circuits

The vhf part of the signal generator, shown in Fig. 2, is composed of an f-m oscillator operating at one-half or one-third of the output frequency and a harmonic-selector stage.

Early in the development an attempt was made to use point-contact transistors in an oscillator directly to 100 mc with the oscillator's tuned circuit coupled directly to the output attenuator. This proved feasible in a few selected samples, but had to be abandoned because of the great nonuniformity of behavior of individual transistors in the vicinity of 100 mc and the unfavorable effect of even a slight loaũ variation on the frequency stability of the oscillator. The same type of transistor was found to operate satisfactorily as a harmonic selector and as a driving oscillator at frequencies up to 33.3 mc . The circuit of Fig. 2 was found to accommodate considerable variation of the oscillator output with various transistor samples under identical biasing conditions.
The inherent feedback in the
transistor always causes a certain amount of coupling between output and input circuits, which tends to deteriorate the isolation between the oscillator and the output circuit. Since the momentary bias of the transistor is determined by the value of emitter current, less driving power is needed to drive a transistor doubler. This enables lighter coupling to the oscillator and consequent reduction of the undesirable coupling between stages. To realize this fact, it should be remembered that at higher radio frequencies in vacuumtube frequency-multiplier circuits the r-f power loss in the driver stage occurs mainly in the physical resistance of the tuned circuit of the driver. This is due to the high value of $r$-f voltage across that circuit necessary to drive the grid circuit of the multiplier fully but with a small angle of plate current flow (high grid bias).

The internal feedback in the harmonic-selector stage reduces the load caused by the L-C circuit tuned to the desired harmonic, resulting in improvement of the harmonic output.

## Output Circuit

The output circuit of the harmonic selector must operate efficiently from the point of view of power transfer. This requirement results from the necessity for a simple voltage monitoring circuit, required output of the generator being only 10 mv at 10 -ohms output impedance. A voltage of 250 mv is assumed necessary for accurate and simple monitoring by a rectification circuit.

Because of its large insertion


FIG. 2-Oscillator is modulated by 2 N 33 reactance transistor over vhf range
loss, the use of a piston-type attenuator, otherwise advantageous in vhf circuits, is excluded.

A resistance attenuator is used instead, varied in ten-db steps. The range of $10-\mathrm{db}$ variation between the adjacent fixed steps is covered by adjusting the r-f output from the harmonic selector and monitoring its value on a panel meter.

Prior to the selection of the modulator circuit, an investigation was carried out to find whether nonlinear properties of barium-titanate capacitors could be conveniently utilized for frequency modulation purposes. ${ }^{3}$ Such modulation was found feasible and relatively easy to realize in practice, but this approach was abandoned because the barium-titanate capacitor required too small an area of contact and too thin a dielectric for convenient construction in the frequency range required. In addition, strong impulse noise was observed at lower frequencies while modulation sensitivity and harmonic distortion were found to depend on the modulation frequency.

On the other hand, the design of a transistor-reactance modulator circuit met with complete success, with reservations usually applicable to transistors operating at high radio frequencies.

## Equivalent Circuit

Basic operation of the circuit may be explained with the equivalent circuit of the transistor. shown in Fig. 3B. Soiving the circuit equations, the equivalent $\mathrm{adm} \mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{t}}$ tance $y$ of the reactance transistor is $y=j \omega C_{1}(1-\alpha)$. For real $\alpha=$ $\left|x_{r}\right|$ inductive impedance results if $\left|\alpha_{r}\right|>1$ and capacitive if $\left|\alpha_{r}\right|<\mathbf{1}$. Remembering that at high frequencies $\alpha$ is in general complex, $\alpha=$ $\left|\alpha_{r}\right|-j\left|\alpha_{i}\right|$ and

$$
\begin{equation*}
y=g+j b=\omega C_{1}\left[-\left|\alpha_{i}\right|+j\left(1-\left|\alpha_{r}\right|\right)\right] \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

The imaginary component of $\alpha$ contributes to the negative equivalent conductance of the reactance circuit, while the real component of $\alpha$ contributes to the susceptance component $b$. If coupling capacitor $C_{1}$ in the emitter circuit is substituted by resistor $R_{1}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
y=g+j b-\left(1 / R_{1}\right)\left[\left(1-\left|\alpha_{r}\right|+j \mid \alpha_{i}\right]\right] \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

In this case $\alpha_{i}$ contributes to the susceptance component and $\left|x_{r}\right|$ to
the conductance component, which is negative for $\left|\alpha_{r}\right|>1$ and positive for $\left|\alpha_{r}\right|<1$. At present, capacitive coupling is used and there is evidence of the presence of the negative conductance component. Actually mixed coupling occurs because of the effect of emitter resistance $r_{\theta}$, which cannot be neglected.

Frequency modulation occurs as a result of variation of biasing emitter current $I_{\text {eo }}$ at the modulation rate. This variation is associated with the corresponding variation of $\alpha$ and of $b$. Component $g=-|g|$ also varies correspondingly. Since ample negative conductance to overcome circuit loss is provided by the oscillator circuit with resulting effect of amplitude limiting, the variation of additional negative conductance $g$ is not of consequence and does not cause excessive spurious amplitude modulation. Spurious a-m is below 2 percent at $100-\mathrm{kc}$ f-m deviation at all radio frequencies.

The accurate formula for $y$ considering the full equivalent circuit of the reactance transistor for small signals in Fig. 3C is
$y=g+j b=\frac{y_{c}+\left(g^{\prime}{ }^{\prime}+j \omega C_{1}\right)(1-\alpha)}{1+r_{b}\left[y_{c}+\left(g^{\prime}{ }_{e}+j \omega C_{1}\right)(1-\alpha)\right]}(3)$
where $g_{e}=\omega^{2} C_{1} r_{e}$.
Equation 3 is equal to Eq. 1 or Eq. 2 depending on whether $g^{\prime}{ }^{\prime}$ or $j \omega C_{1}$ predominates, when $r_{b}$ and $y_{c}=$ $1 / Z_{\text {。 }}$ are neglected. The negative conductance component of $y$ can be measured fairly successfully using an auxiliary tuned circuit in conjunction with a vhf Q-meter. The negative $g$ can be evaluated from an apparent increase of the $Q$ value of the auxiliary circuit.

## Performance

Proper optimization of emitter bias and radio-frequency voltage across the emitter was found quite critical, but with preset adjustment for both, it was found possible to maintain distortion below 5 percent at all radio frequencies and at all deviations below the specified maximum of $50-\mathrm{kc}$ deviation up to $50-\mathrm{mc}$ $r$-f and 100 kc for the remainder of the radio-frequency range.

Sensitivity of modulation is likely to vary with the setting of the tuning capacitor at various frequencies throughout each band and


FIG. 3-Basic transistor reactance circuit used in Fig. 2(A) simplified (B) and complete (C) equivalent circuits
also between the bands. As with tube-type f-m modulators, special means of equalization of modulation sensitivity over the range of radio frequencies are required. They take the form of a system of a-f attenuators ganged to the main tuning capacitor and to the range switch.

## Transistor Types

The use of RDX300 junction tetrodes in this equipment was investigated. It was found that no particular advantage is gained in using tetrode transistors in the harmonicselector stage; point-contact performance was equivalent.

In the oscillator-modulator application, junction tetrodes proved considerably superior from the standpoint of freedom from spurious $f-m$ and from the effect of temperature on frequ acy stability. Spurious f-m caused by contact noise is the main drawback of pointcontact oscillators and modulators. In the described equipment, contact noise caused f-m deviations of 250 to $1,250 \mathrm{cps}$ depending on the value of tuned-circuit capacitance and radio frequency of the carrier for the point-contact transistor oscillator and modulator.

Spurious f-m deviation dropped to 50 to 65 cps when junction tetrodes were used. Power output
of a junction tetrode is somewhat higher than that of a 2 N 33 , but the uppermost frequency of oscillation does not exceed approximately 35 mc for the junction tetrode.

The performance of the vhf circuits, which form the major part of the discussed instrument, approach on the whole that of their vacuum-tube counterparts, with an additional saving of about 20 percent of volume. The volume of the transistorized equipment is 1.44 cubic feet. The saving in weight exceeds 50 percent of the weight of equivalent equipment, based on vacuum tubes ( 42 lb with transistors and 113 lb with vacuum tubes). The weight saving is very desirable since it directly affects the portability of the equipment. A temperature oven provided to safeguard the oscillator against frequency changes with ambient temperature variations is responsible for the saving in volume not being as impressive as it might be expected.

The effect of temperature on oscillator frequency and the value of residual spurious f-m due to contact noise (with point-contact transistors only) are the only two major points where the performance of the transistorized generator is affected in comparison with the equivalent vacuum-tube design.

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# Tape-Controlled Servos 

# Infrared spectrophotometer for analyzing organic compounds has magnetic-tape memory and servo control to simplify calibration. Circuits include $10-\mathrm{cps}$ low-noise amplifier and five-stage regulated power supply 

T10 ObTAIN a CURVE of transmittancy versus wavelength the sample is exposed to monochromatic infrared radiation of progressively varying wavelength and the radiation passing through the sample is detected by a phototube.

A 100-percent-transmission reference line must first be obtained. This requires that corrections be introduced for absorptions within the monochromator and for the fact that Nernst lamp radiation as a function of wavelength follows a typical black-body radiation curve rather than a straight line. These corrections are made by varying the width of a slit placed in the optical path between the sample and the dispersing prism during a scan. The slit servomechanism is provided for this purpose.

It is necessary also to scan the infrared spectrum produced by the dispersing prism as fast as possible consistent with the resolution desired. However, since resolution varies with slit width, the rate at which the spectrum is scanned must vary. The wavelength servomechanism accomplishes this.

Finally, the strip chart upon which the transmittancy-wavelength curve is automatically plotted must move at a rate corresponding to the spectrum scanning rate. The chart drive is controlled by the chart servomechanism.

Once the 100 -percent reference line is established, a sample is introduced into the liquid cell of the spectrophotometer. All the above motions must now be reproduced with great accuracy. This is done by magnetic-tape playback control.

## Optical Path

Figure 1 shows the optical path of the spectrophotometer. The Nernst lamp is the source of infrared radiation and the phototube

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## THE INFRARED SPECTROPHOTOMETER

Infrared spectroscopy is a powerful tool for chemical analysis and is particularly valuable in organic chemistry. Chemical compounds are composed of atoms held together by molecular forces. Thus electromagnetic radiation of the proper frequency can excite a number of modes of oscillation in a molecule.

As a result of this action, energy is expended in exciting the molecule; the amount of energy given up and the frequencies for resonance are unique properties of a given molecular structure. Curves of transmittancy plotted against wavelength enoble the spectroscopist to identify the compound under test.

Standard transmittancy-wavelength curves have been compiled for hundreds of pure compounds but to correct ordinary spectrograms to read directly in transmittancy is a tedious and time-consuming task. The instrument described accurately records infrared spectrums directly in transmittancy.

The infrared spectrum shown above is for ammonia ( $\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ ) under $100-\mathrm{mm}$ pressure in a $10-\mathrm{cm}$ test cell. Rocksalt prisms were used in the spectroscope. Actually, two runs were made at moderate speed and resolution; their superposition illustrates the precision and reproducibility of the machine. The 100 -percent-transmittancy line at the top was drawn during a standardizing run
monitors this source to maintain its emission constant. The light beam is formed by a condensing mirror and passed through a motor-driven beam chopper, whose function is to chop the light at $10-\mathrm{cps}$ so that a-c amplification may be used. A negative lens collimates the radiation beam in the liquid cell region. Lens $H$ brings the beam to a focus on the entrance slit. Lenses $J$ and $H$ produce an image of the front face of prism $M$ in the plane of the external aperture to permit use of a narrow external beam and avoid introducing radiation into the monochromator at angles wider than can be usefully employed. In the exit beam system lens $Q$ confines the beam, producing an image of the front face of prism $M^{\prime}$ in the plane of the thermocouple condensing mirror.

The exit multiplier phototubes and off-axis condensing mirror are used to study visible and ultraviolet absorption. Windows can be inserted if it is desired to isolate the exit-beam liquid-cell compartment.

An intermediate aperture is inserted between the first and second monochromators. The thermocouple is the detector of infrared radiation. The smallest detectable signal is in the order of $10^{-18}$ watt.

## Narrow-Band Amplifier

The 10 -cps voltage generated by the thermocouple passes through an input transformer to give a voltage gain of 1,000 raising the signal above the amplifier input noise level by a factor of five. The signal-tonoise ratio of the entire instrument is determined by the signal-to-noise ratio of the thermocouple. The rms Johnson noise in the thermocouple is $10^{-10}$ volts at ambient temperature in a $0.5-\mathrm{cps}$ bandwidth. This represents a noise voltage of $10^{-7}$ volts referred to the amplifier input.

The 10 -cps amplifier shown in

## Speed Chemical Analysis



Spectroscopist at Navional Heart Institute prepares for run with infrared spectrophotometer. Instrument aids study of organic compounds isolated from plants in the search for new drugs to combat heart disease

Fig. 2A has an input section of lownoise design with a voltage gain of 1,000 while the output section also contributes a net voltage gain of 1,000 providing a maximum voltage gain of $10^{\circ}$ or $10^{\circ}$ referred to the thermocouple terminals. A manual attenuator located between the two amplifier sections enables the operator to control the overall signal amplification. The maximum signal that can be handled by the input amplifier without distortion is about 20 volts rms. The input stage employs a 14 F 7 , a twin triode with a high shot-noise figure of merit. This measure is taken as the transconductance divided by the square root of the plate current. In addition, the tube has rugged nonmicrophonic construction and excellent insulation. Its $150-\mathrm{ma}$ filament
permits economy of d-c heater power for the low-level input stages.

Inverse d-c feedback controlling the grid bias in each amplifier section minimizes the blocking which results from overbiasing a highlevel stage by grid current drawn at the positive peak of an excessive signal. Blocking ordinarily lasts a considerable time because the amplifier time constants must be long to give the required low-frequency response. However, with inverse feedback, smaller time constants are used and their effect is further decreased by degeneration.

A schematic of the input amplifier is shown in Fig. 2B. The a-c feedback that stabilizes the amplifier also reduces noise, improves linearity and makes the amplifier noncritical as to tubes.

The output amplifier is similar to the input amplifier except that it is push-pull throughout. Both a-c and d-c feedback loops are employed.

Following the output amplifier, a mechanical synchronous rectifier is used to provide the high degree of linearity required for precise measurements. It consists of a pair of contacts operated by a cam on the same shaft that drives the chopper shutter mechanism. A phasing drum interposed between the cam and the shutter compensates for phase shift occurring in the thermocouple and 10 -cps amplifiers. The output voltage then passes through an adjustable filter to a d-c amplifier which drives the strip-chart recorder.

In addition, the $10-\mathrm{cps}$ amplifier chassis contains a regulated power


FIG. 1-Mechanical configuration of infrared spectrophotometer showing optical path
supply and Nernst lamp regulator whose output is controlled by the monitor phototube.

Because of the power-supply regulator a 10 -percent line-voltage change produces less than a one-part-per-million change in the supply voltage at frequencies near $10-$ cps. The electronic regulator consists of five stages with a feedback factor of 300,000 . The circuit supplies 240 ma at 275 volts. The internal impedance at $10-\mathrm{cps}$ is less than 0.001 ohm and $120-\mathrm{cps}$ ripple is only 25 microvolts rms. Noise voltage is 5 microvolts in a $1.6-\mathrm{cps}$ bandwidth centered at $10-\mathrm{cps}$. Fig-


FIG. 2-Block diagram of 10 -cps low-noise amplifier ( $A$ ) and schematic of its input stages ( $B$


FIG. 3-Five-stage power-supply regulator has a feedback factor of 300,000: supplies 240 ma at 275 v
ure 3 is a schematic of the powersupply regulator. Tubes $V_{1}, V_{2}$ and $V_{3}$ are cascaded for voltage amplification and are direct coupled because they must amplify small d-c changes. The d-c reference level depends chiefly upon the space-chargelimited emission of the first stage filament; a 1-percent change in filament current corresponds to about a $25-\mathrm{mv}$ input signal.

## Direct Transmittancy Servo

The energy radiated from the Nernst lamp has a typical blackbody radiation curve. The energy peak occurs at about 2 microns and is down 1,000 times at 15 microns. The uncompensated reference level (no sample) in a single-beam spectrophotometer is essentially the black-body curve of the source neglecting absorptions in the optical path.

A fixed 100-percent reference level to record absorption spectrums directly in transmittancy is attained by varying the slit width in the monochromator automatically as


FIG. 4-Recording (A) and playback systems (B) permit use of magnetic tape for instrument calibration
a function of wavelength position. At long wavelengths ( 15 microns) where the energy is low, the slits are widened and conversely at shorter wavelengths the slits are narrowed to compensate for the increase in radiation from the source. Slit width as a function of wavelength position over the entire scanning interval is memorized during a standardizing run and transmittancy of the sample recorded directly by reproducing the slit-width-versus-wavelength information during a second run, meantime introducing the sample into the instrument.

A servomechanism controls the slit width to maintain a 100 -percent reference level by monitoring the output voltage of the $10-\mathrm{cps}$ amplifier and comparing it with a fixed reference voltage. The position of the slit-motor shaft is recorded on a tape recorder as a function of the wavelength position to an accuracy oif 1 part in 5,000 .
it is necessary to traverse a spec-
tral slit width in a time proportional to the response period of the 10 -cps amplifier.

## Wavelength Drive Servo

A second special servomechanism is utilized during the standardizing run automatically to set the velocity of the wavelength drive motor proportional to a voltage which varies directly as the geometric slit width and the response period of the amplifier. This voltage is derived from a resistive divider mounted on a 48-position switch driven by the slit motor. The output voltage $E_{0}$ of the switch may be represented by $E_{\text {。 }}=C \log W$, where $W$ is the slit width and $C$ a multiplying factor to compensate for the amplifier time constant used.

The logarithmic function is necessary since a log cam is used to drive the slit jaws, giving a constant change in light output for a given rotation of the slit shaft. It is necessary to memorize the wavelength motor position to an ac-
curacy of 1 part in 15,000 .
The slit and wavelength servomechanisms to be described later are both variations of a basic position servo in which a two-phase synchro is attached to the motor shaft through a suitable gear ratio. A reference oscillator provides a $165-\mathrm{cps}$ signal which is split into two components differing in phase by 90 deg . These two voltages are applied to the fields of the synchro. The resultant magnetic field can be represented by a vector of constant amplitude rotating at $165-\mathrm{cps}$.

The phase of the induced emf in the synchro rotor winding referred to the reference oscillator voltage measures the relative position of the rotor shaft. The reference and the rotor frequencies are recorded on tape and when played back provide control information to reproduce the motor position during the standardizing run. It is necessary only that the synchro be within one-half revolution of its original starting position at the start of the playback


FIG. 5-Block diagram of slit control system (A) and schematic of slit modulator and motor amplifier (B)


Three tracks of varying area on $35-\mathrm{mm}$ film provide memory for chart drive
run to assure perfect lock-in. This is accomplished by observing a counter on the motor shaft.

On playback, the $165-\mathrm{cps}$ reference signal from the tape recorder is split into two components 90 deg apart and applied to the synchro fields. The induced rotor voltage is compared in phase in a discriminator with the previously recorded rotor voltage. The resulting error signal is amplified and applied to the servo motor which drives the synchro to maintain phase balance. As the control signal varies in phase the servo motor maintains the phase balance reproducing any recorded function.

Two control channels are necessary to record both the wavelength and slit motor positions. The same reference frequency is used, however, requiring the recording of only three signals. Since all three signals are essentially the same frequency, $\pm 2$ cycles, a modulated carrier system was utilized.

## Recording System

A 1,750-cps carrier is used for the slit channel, 2,750-cps for the wavelength channel and $3,750-\mathrm{cps}$ for the reference signal. The three
modulated carriers are mixed in a linear resistive divider and applied to the tape recorder through a recording amplifier. See Fig. 4A.
No mechanical synchronization is necessary since the phase of the three signals with respect to each other is independent of the speed of the tape used. Even nonhomogeneous tape presents no problem as long as the signal loss on playback represents no more than a half revolution of the synchro.

On playback, the composite signal consisting of the three modulated carriers is separated by band-pass filters, Fig. 4B. Each channel is separately demodulated, filtered, amplified and applied to the proper discriminator after passing through an amplitude limiting amplifier that insures constant amplitude despite tape nonhomogeneities.

## Slit Servomechanism

Figure 5A is a block diagram of the slit servomechanism. A dragcup generator is used for viscous damping to degenerate the motor time constant and assure fast response with good damping. The low-pass filter between the $10-\mathrm{cps}$ and d-c differential amplifiers is
necessary to remove the $10-\mathrm{cps}$ and $60-\mathrm{cps}$ components to prevent overloading the differential amplifier. Figure 5B is a schematic of the slit modulator and motor amplifier.

Any d-c unbalance between the 6 J 6 grids in the balanced modulator produces a $60-\mathrm{cps}$ component whose amplitude is proportional to the unbalance and whose phase is either zero or 180 degrees with respect to the a-c line depending upon relative grid polarities. The modulator output signal is compared with the drag-cup generator signal in the first stage of the servo amplifier and the error signal is used to drive the slit motor. The diode limiters are biased to limit the top speed of the motor and prevent overloading the power-amplifier stages.

Since the light intensity falling on the thermocouple is proportional to the square of the slit width, it is necessary to drive the slit with a logarithmic cam so that the loop gain remains constant throughout the slit excursions.

## Wavelength Servomechanism

During the standardizing run, the wavelength drive functions as a wide-range velocity servo with a large value of $d-c$ feedback from a tachometer tied directly to the motor shaft. The wavelength drive motor runs at a speed such that the output voltage of the d-c tachometer is equal to the applied control voltage. The servo motor can apply full torque continuously from $\frac{1}{3} \mathrm{rpm}$ to $2,000 \mathrm{rpm}$, a dynamic range of 6,000 to 1 . The difference between


FIG. 6-Wavelength control system (A) and chart drive system (B) demonstrate similarities in their electrical design


FIG. 7-Schematic of wavelength servo amplifier
the applied signal voltage and the tachometer voltage is applied to a $60-\mathrm{cps}$ chopper, amplified and impressed across the servo motor. During playback, the chopper measures the difference between the discriminator output voltage and the tachometer, converting the velocity servo to a position servo. The gear ratio to the monochromator wavelength drive is such that a complete scan from 15 to 1 microns can be made in 5 minutes, at wide slit widths. Both the wavelength and slit servos can be controlled during the standardizing run by manually adjusted potentiometers to increase the versatility of the instrument. Figure 6A is a block diagram of the wavelength servo.

Figure 7 is a schematic of the wavelength motor amplifier. The difference voltage between the input signal and the d-c tachometer is chopped at $60-\mathrm{cps}$ and amplified by the first stage. The first two stages are regeneratively coupled to make up for the loss in gain that would incur due to degeneration from the cathode resistors.

## Wavelength Presentation

The dispersion of a prism is such that the distribution of wavelength versus angle is a nonlinear function which resembles a portion of a tangent curve. It is desirable to have the chart paper drive linear in wavelength and as a consequence it is necessary to introduce a nonlinear element having a reproducibility of one part in 13,000 between the wavelength drive and the overall chart paper drive system on the strip recorder.

A method was developed for recording phase versus position on $35-\mathrm{mm}$ film, using three identical tracks of variable area. A linear
section of the film is shown in the photograph. A $20-\mathrm{ft}$ section of film is driven by a sprocket connected to the wavelength drive mechanism and scanned as it passes a slit only 0.01 inch wide.

The scanning mechanism comprises a projector lamp, optical elements, Polaroid modulating system, slit and phototube and is shown in Fig. 8. At the slit, opposite each track on the film, are three Polaroid filters with their polarization angles differing by 60 deg. Light passes through a Polaroid disk rotating at 60 rps , the film, slit and filters and is picked up by a phototube. The transmission of the first film track is $A(\sin \alpha+1) B \sin ^{2} \omega t$ is the angular velocity of the rotating disk.

Since the phototube is looking at all three tracks, the signal voltage in the phototube load resistor is

$$
E_{o}=A(\sin a+1) B \sin ^{2} \omega t+A\left[\sin _{1}\right.
$$ $\left.\left(a+\frac{2 \pi}{3}\right)+1\right] B \sin ^{2}\left(\omega t+\frac{\pi}{3}\right)+A$

$$
\left[\sin \left(\alpha+\frac{4 \pi}{3}\right)+1\right] B \sin ^{2}\left(\omega t+\frac{2 \pi}{3}\right)
$$

This can be reduced to

$$
E_{o}=k\left[1+\frac{1}{2} \sin (2 \omega t-\alpha)\right]
$$

The d-c component can be disregarded and the signal voltage becomes a sine wave of angular velocity $2 \omega t$ or 120 cps and a phase angle determined by $a$, which corresponds to the position of the film on the slit.

A small diagonal mirror intercepts a portion of the rotating polarized light and the light passes through a fixed Polaroid filter to another phototube to produce a 120 cps signal for phase reference. This signal is split into two components 90 deg apart and applied to the fields of a synchro in the paper chart drive system (Fig. 6B). The control signal generated by the film


FIG. 8-Film scanner for chart drive
system is fed to a phase discriminator that compares its phase with that of the rotor signal from the chart synchro.

The phase difference signal is amplified and used to drive the chart motor. Each time the film tracks are advanced 360 deg the chart synchro is driven through one complete revolution. The phase distribution along the film follows the dispersion curve of the prism. Since the film is geared directly to the wavelength drive shaft no additional memory system is required for the chart paper to follow accurately with wavelength scanning on playback.

## Summary

The Beckman Model IR-3 spectrophotometer utilizes an automatic control system which enables the recording of spectra directly in 100-percent transmittancy at a scanning speed proportional to slit width by means of servomechanisms. Wavelength versus slit width information is automatically recorded on a tape recorder for periods of time up to one hour by comparing the rotor voltage of synchros tied to the motors with a reference signal, which is applied to the synchro fields.
The resulting phase differences are applied as error signals to the servo motor amplifiers from discriminators during the playback run, thus causing the motors to exactly reproduce their previously recorded positions as a function of time. Introduction of a sample into the instrument during the playback run allows the sample adsorption to be referred to a 100 -percent reference line instead of the usual blackbody radiation curve emitted by the Nernst source.

# Phase Measurement for 


#### Abstract

Indicating instrument displays phase and amplitude of carrier at given frequency in respect to reference phase supplied at same frequency. Phase magnifying feature increases measurement accuracy. Unit is also applicable to direction-finding equipment


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NEED for an instantaneous phase and amplitude indicator in the color-tv field has been recognized for sometime. ${ }^{1}$ Today, this need has been met by instruments such as the vectorscope, which are standard equipment in transmitter installations for color tv. ${ }^{2}$ These instruments are also likely to be found on future production lines for color receivers and in service shops, this trend being aided by several commercial products, some already on the market ${ }^{3}$ and more still to come."

The vectorscope is an oscilloscope for the display of signals that consist of amplitude and/or phase modulation of a carrier at some specific center frequency, Ampli-tude-modulation is displayed as the radial distance of the scanning spot from center screen and instantaneous phase is displayed as the angle counted from a fixed phase reference on the vector screen.

To supply the reference phase electrically, a continuous unmodulated carrier at center frequency has to be available. This reference carrier may be supplied to the instrument from an external source or may be reconstituted from a composite signal which conveys reference-phase information by a time-division multiplex process. This type of transmission is typical for the color-tv applications of the vectorscope and slightly complicates the instrument.

## Circuitry

Figure 1 presents the basic circuit arrangement and the electronic
functions involved in obtaining a vectorscope display. The instrument operates on two inputs. The first is a signal input

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{x}=A \cos (\omega t+\phi) \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Here, both amplitude and phase may be time variable. In a typical color application, a bandwidth of over 1 megacycle is allotted to these parameters. The second input is a reference input

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{\tau}=2 \cos (\omega t) \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

The amplitude factor 2 indicates the use of a limiter within the instrument. The angular frequency $\omega$ stands for a carrier of 3.579545 mc in an instrument designed for NTSC color.

Two synchronous detectors are used for the $X$ and $Y$ coordinates. The $X$ detector operates on the input signal and the reference voltage. Its filtered output is

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{x}=A \cos \phi \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

The $Y$ detector operates on the input signal and a derived reference component, 90 degrees advanced in
phase with respect to the signal of Eq. 2

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{\theta}=-2 \sin (\omega t) \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Its output then becomes

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{y}=A \sin \phi \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

The detected voltages $e_{s}$ and $e_{y}$ result in a stationary dot on the screen with the desired polar coordinates $A_{1}$ and $\phi_{1}$.
Frequently, it is desirable to enhance visibility of the display by providing radials from each dot to center. This is accomplished by periodically keying the signal amplitude to zero at a rate $\Omega$. This keying process may be accomplished either ahead of detection in the signal amplifier ${ }^{2}$ or after detection in the deflection amplifier. ${ }^{5}$ The latter approach requires two modulators, the former only one.

Figure 1 exemplifies the predetection modulation in showing a tracer signal $e \Omega$ and a signal modulator. If the tracing frequency is lower than the line rate, say 10 kc , the vectogram is displayed at a


FIG. 1-Basic arrangement of vectorscope elements

## Color TV and F-M



Left to right: NTSC color-bar signal as displayed on vectorscope; vector rotation of color carrier with and without phase multiplier; spurious phase rotation in a color-video stage; standard quality f-m signal; phase and amplitude response of delay band-pass filter
pulsating radial scale and the circuitry is particularly simple.

## Synchronous Detectors

Figure 2A shows the synchronous detectors used for the vectorscope. These work on the pulsed-envelope principle. ${ }^{\circ}$ In this application, each group of detectors is directly coupled to its pair of deflection plates through a constant-K filter passing $1,500 \mathrm{kc}$. Band-rejection filters at each plate remove all traces of color carrier from the display. The overall frequency response is shown in Fig. 2B.

Each tube delivers up to 200 volts peak-to-peak from a 4 -volt signal. Since the output from each doublet is in push-pull due to the balanced cathode excitation, there is adequate output for full deflection of a 4,000 -volt beam on a 5 inch tube.

Other features of these high-level pulsed envelope detectors are inherent amplitude linearity and a phase error of less than 2 degrees,
both secured by the high injection ratio of 5 to $1 .{ }^{6}$

Figure 3 shows the low-impedance quadrature network employed. In the tuned-pi structure shown, the quadrature phase between output and input is unaffected by variations of the load resistance $r_{2}$ if one L-C branch is tuned to resonance. The basic relations of the tuned pi are

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{2}=e_{1} j r_{2} / Z \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $Z=\sqrt{L / C}$ and $\omega^{2} L C=1$.
The input impedance is a pure resistance

$$
\begin{equation*}
r_{1}=Z^{2} / r_{2} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

It follows that the amplitude balance can be adjusted by changing the load resistor $r_{2}$, but the input impedance stays resistive and the phase relation between voltages does not change. If built for a low impedance ( $Z=100 \mathrm{ohms}$ ), the tuned pi guarantees correct vector display despite load variation so that there is no need for elaborate self-checking devices.

If the vectorscope is used as a color monitor, the additions to its circuitry shown in Fig. 4 are necessary. Since the color signal is composite, the phase reference has to be reconstituted by a separate burst regenerator within the instrument. This requires a separate sync amplifier having conventional videobandwidth characteristics ( 0 to 5 mc ), so that conventional sync stripping and inverting practices may be used.

For signal amplification chromaticity bandwidth ( $2.5 \div 4.5 \mathrm{mc}$ ) is adequate and low and medium frequencies up to 2 mc may be suppressed. In this channel, a variable delay unit is desirable so that the vectogram may be zeroed for phase. Such a delay-control unit, consisting of a single-layer helix on top of a slotted metal tube inside which a moving pickup coil is provided is shown in one of the photographs. At 3.6 mc , a complete 360 -degree rotation of the pattern is realized with a delay-line helix of only


FIG. 2-High-level pulsed envelope detector used in vectorscope (A); relative frequency response of detector (B)


Vectorscope for color-signal monitoring. Separate sync and signalprobe inputs permit constant maintenance of phase reference


Variable time-delay control unit consists of single-layer helix on top of slotted metal tube, with moving-coil pickup inside
eight inches total length.
The complete vectorscope for color monitoring is shown in one of the photographs. Use of two separate probes for sync and signal inputs permits constant maintenance of phase reference while the signal probe explores various parts of receiver or transmitter circuitry. Each probe consists of a small head with an input capacitance of less than 3 u. . f attached to a 3 -foot cable.

The photograph of the vectorscope waveform obtained from a NTSC transmission of vertical color bars includes the colors red, yellow, green, magenta and blue. Each color persisted for only 7 microseconds at a time. The angles and radials may be compared to the NTSC signal specifications. ${ }^{\text {T }}$

## Phase Magnifier

The ability of the vectorscope to resolve small phase angles is limited both by the properties of the associated circuits and by the cathode-ray tube itself. A 5 -inch tube with an effective spot size of $\frac{1}{16}$ inch would account for a phase tolerance of $\pm 1$ degree. Errors of similar magnitude may be contributed by the synchronous detectors themselves, ${ }^{6}$ as well as by the process of color synchronization. As a result, the total error to be expected from a vectorscope may lie within the limits of $\pm 2$ degrees.

Some of the effects with which color-tv engineers are concerned are well below this limit of resolution; one example is the detection of dif-
ferential phase shift in color-video amplifiers. Transmission of the color carrier through a tube in the presence of large variations of pedestal often causes color-phase errors of the order of $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 degrees per stage.

Another use for a differentialphase test arises if delay balance is sought for two parallel networks, each having a different bandwidth. A typical example is the delay equalization between $I$ and $Q$ channels. Two and a half feet of cable, having a delay of about 0.1 microsecond, is commonly used for this purpose. This average time corresponds to a color-phase rotation of 5 degrees. Since the K factor of the cables varies by about 10 percent, measurement of $\frac{1}{2}$ degree of phase is of interest. This corresponds to a differential delay of about $400 \times 10^{-12}$ seconds, the time for a signal to traverse 3 inches of cable.

Figure 5 illustrates the principle of the phase multiplier successfully used to magnify the phase resolution of a standard vectorscope. The network under test causes an incremental phase shift $\Delta \phi$, too small to be seen on the vectorscope screen. The network output is passed into the signal frequency multiplier which raises the signal frequency $N_{a}$ times. The phase at the multiplier output is rotated by $N_{a} \Delta \phi$ with respect to the reference phase $\phi$. The reference carrier is also frequency multiplied, but the order of multiplication is one less than before: $N_{b}=N_{a}-1$.

The outputs of the signal and reference-frequency multipliers are heterodyned in the mixer beating the output back to the reference frequency $f_{1}$. The relative phase angle, however, becomes $\phi_{2}=N_{a} \Delta \phi$, which in this case is a magnification of ten times. As a result the vectorscope indicates the differential phase shift at a greatly expanded scale. Vector rotation of color carrier with phase multiplier is shown in the photographs.

An application of the phase microscope to the study of a $6 \mathrm{AC7}$ amplifying 0.5 volt of color carrier, while being modulated by 1 volt of stairstep signal is shown in one of the photographs. The stage exhibits both differential phase and gain distortion. The former is almost too small to be seen directly, being only 4 degrees. At the output of the phase microscope, the phase distortion appears magnified to 40 degrees. The gain variation is visible in the direct view as a radial dis-


FIG. 3-Tuned-pi quadraiure network employed in circuit of Fig. 2
placement, but shows more clearly on the phase multiplier display.

Color tv is not the only type of radio communication which can benefit from an instantaneous phase indicator like the vectorscope. Frequency modulation is another field for its application. Here is a need for an instantaneous deviation indicator to serve as a monitor for broadcast stations or as an aid in the alignment of transmitting equipment. To adapt the vectorscope to this application, the first requirement is an adapter to convert any arbitrary signal-carrier frequency to the preset instrument frequency. Such conversion is basically feasible since the phase relation between two synchronous carriers is unaffected by the process of heterodyning.

## F-M Monitor

Figure 6 shows how the vectorscope may be used to monitor the frequency deviation of any f-m broadcast transmitter. A conventional $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ receiver is used and its intermediate frequency of 10.7 mc is routed by $72-\mathrm{ohm}$ coaxial cable to the vectorscope through two separate channels. The first channel comprises a double modulator or transponder. The first modulator develops the sum frequency of 14.3 mc $\pm \Delta f$ resulting from a beat between the i-f signal and a local $3.6-\mathrm{mc}$ crystal oscillator. A band-pass filter isolates this sum frequency and supplies it to the second modulator. Here, the sum frequency is beaten back into 3.6 mc by heterodyning it with the original signal. However, before reaching the second modulator, the signal goes through two delay lines. The first, $D_{o}$, matches


FIG. 5-Use of a phase magnifier in conjunction with the vectorscope permits observation of phase angles that would normally be too small to be seen


FIG. 6-Application of the vectorscope as an f-m monitor. The signal from the receiver is fed to the vectorscope through a double-beat converter
the delay incurred in the transponder band-pass filter. The second delay section, $D$, has a ferrite core and is so designed that the phasedelay difference for two extremes of deviation amounts to 180 degrees. Since $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ standards call for $\Delta f \leqq$ $\pm 75$ ke the required delay is

$$
\begin{equation*}
D=1 / 4(4 \Delta f)=3.3 \mu \mathrm{sec} \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since the transponder preserves phase relations, the vectorscope in Fig. 6 will display a fan-shaped pattern which will reach a spread of 180 degrees for peak deviations only, but will stay within this


FIG. 4-Setup for using vectorscope as color monitor. Bandwidths of chroma and colorsync amplifier should be 2 to 4 and 0 to 4 me respectively
angle for FCC approved transmissions. At the same time, the fanned-out area will be a segment of a circle as long as the receiver limiter is working properly. Any spurious a-m is detected as a noncircularity of the boundary.

A vectogram obtained from a local f-m station is shown in the photographs.

## Phase-Delay Display

Phase delay and envelope delay are determining factors for the transient response of video amplifiers. Circuits for equalizing delay distortion are finding increasing application in tv receiving and transmitting equipment. ${ }^{8,0}$ In color tv, phase-delay distortion in the chromaticity channel may cause crosstalk and color contamination due to quadrature components; instruments to display such distortion are of assistance to designers of color equipment.

A vectorscope equipped with a transponder displays both phase and amplitude response of a fourterminal network.

Employing a suitable signal.


FIG. 7-Setup for phase-delay presentation with the vectorscope. Circuit resembles that of Fig. 6 except that $f-m$ signal is replaced by signal generator


FIG. 8-As an element of an all-electronic direction finder, the vectorscope displays small differences in the time of arrival of a signal carrier at the site of various component antennas forming a directive antenna array
generator whose frequency varies in discrete jumps, the vectorscope displays the overall phase shift per unit change of frequency (phase delay) offering a visual check on phase distortion. Figure 7 shows the test-equipment layout. The equipment resembles the f-m monitor of Fig. 6, except that the $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ signal is replaced by a signal generator whose frequency is varied by constant steps and the test network replaces the disper-sion-free delay line used before.
The electronic wobbulator uses a center frequency of 10.7 mc and is frequency modulated by a staircase generator so that a total deviation of $\pm 1 \mathrm{mc}$ is accomplished in 10 steps, each 200 kc apart, at a repetition rate of 60 cps .

The resultant vectorscope display consists of discrete radials whose length and direction indicate attenuation and phase shift through the network at the step frequencies. If the network is a band-pass filter, the pass band is recognized as that section of the vector envelope which most nearly approaches a circle through the origin at maximum radius. Constant phase delay, on the other hand, is recognized by
equal angles between consecutive radials. Crowding or spreading of these angles signify phase distortion at the spot frequencies.

Tests on any arbitrary frequency may be done by heterodyning down to that frequency and back between terminal points $P$ and $Q$ in Fig. 7, using the same local oscillator.

## Direction Finding

The vectorscope may also be used as the essential element of an allelectronic direction finder, measuring small differences in the time of arrival of a signal carrier at the site of various component antennas forming a directive antenna array. In this application, it offers several advantages over conventional equipment using mechanical pointer instruments. Some of these are instantaneous operation, nonambiguity and the absence of a critical gain adjustment for the sense antenna. In addition, an approximate information about the signal field strength is supplied since the radial length of the vector display varies with signal input.

Figure 8 shows basic circuitry for adaptation of the vectorscope to direction finding. Two crossed
loops develop signal voltages

$$
\begin{align*}
& e_{N}=A \sin \alpha \cos (\omega t)  \tag{9}\\
& e_{W}=A \cos \alpha \cos (\omega t) \tag{10}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\alpha$ is angle of wave incidence off west and $\omega$ signal frequency.

A vertical sense antenna adds omnidirectional signal information

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{o}=B \sin (\omega t) \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

All three signals Eq. 9 to 11 are handled by a single receiver on a time-sharing basis using synchronous electronic samplers at input and output. The receiver converts the signal frequency $\omega$ into an intermediate frequency $\Omega$, adding in the process, the same delay - to all channels. This changes the time scale from $t$ to $t^{\prime}=t+\tau$, but it does not affect the relative phase shift information. After burst-regeneration is performed on all three signals, the receiver outputs are

$$
\begin{align*}
e_{N}^{\prime} & =A \sin \alpha \cos \left(\Omega t^{\prime}\right)  \tag{9a}\\
e^{\prime}{ }_{V} & =A \cos \alpha \cos \left(\Omega t^{\prime}\right)  \tag{10a}\\
e_{o} & =B \sin \left(\Omega t^{\prime}\right) \tag{11a}
\end{align*}
$$

Now, $e_{w}^{\prime}$ is fed through a tuned-pi network, whose output is

$$
\begin{equation*}
e^{\prime \prime} w=A \cos \alpha \sin \left(\Omega t^{\prime}\right) \tag{10b}
\end{equation*}
$$

Summing Eq. 9a and 10 b at equal amounts, yields the new signal

$$
\begin{equation*}
S=\frac{1}{2} A \sin \left(\Omega t^{\prime}+\alpha\right) \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

This signal is fed to the $S$ terminal of the vectorscope and the sense signal Eq. 11a to its $R$ terminal after being limited to

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{r}=2 \sin \left(\Omega t^{t}\right) \tag{11b}
\end{equation*}
$$

The combination of signals Eq. 11 b and 12 is necessary and sufficient to display, on the vectorscreen, both the desired azimuth $\alpha$ of the wave front, as well as a radial of the length $\frac{1}{2} A$, which for constant receiver gain is proportional to field strength.

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FIG. 1-Hypethetical microphone cathode-follower circuit (A) and equivalent circuit (B). Plot (C) shows open-circuit rms noise voltage produced by thermal agitation in real component of impedance of equivalent circuit

# Low-Noise Input Stage for Audio Preamplifier 

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Free-grid-connected cathode follower has noise threshold of 20 to 50 microvolts with equivalent input resistance of 10,000 megohms. Circuit may be applied to capacitor microphones and other low-output signal sources requiring negligible loading

CATHODE FOLLOWERS have found much use as the input stages for devices requiring unusually high values of input resistance. When the signal source demands even higher resistance and lower noise threshold than provided by the conventional circuit, use of the free-grid connection offers many advantages. Such a special case is the Altec 21-type miniature capacitor microphone.

## Load Resistance and Noise

In the application to be considered, the cathode follower is used as an impedance translator in close proximity to the capacitor micro-
phone. In the hypothetical microphone cathode-follower circuit of Fig. 1A, a physical grid resistor $R$ is used.
Following conventional practice in the operation of vacuum tubes, the ohmic value of $R$ should be no greater than is required by the signal source, which in this case is a capacitance of 6 u. .f. Since the source is capacitive, the ohmic value of $R$ is equal to $1 / \omega C$, where $\omega$ is $2 \pi$ times the frequency at which a 3 -db loss occurs. Selecting 20 cps as the cutoff frequency, $R$ is computed to be 1,400 megohms.

The equivalent electrical network of this circuit is shown in Fig. 1B
as a parallel resistor-capacitor combination in which $C$ is the sum of microphone and stray capacitance and $R$ is the grid circuit resistance. At 23 C , the thermal-agitation noise $e$ for the network is
$e=1.27 \times 10^{-10}\left[\tan ^{-1} 2 \pi f_{2} C R\right.$

$$
\left.\left.\tan ^{-1} 2 \pi f_{1} C R\right) / 2 \pi C\right]^{1 / 2}
$$

where $f_{2}$ and $f_{1}$ are the upper and lower frequency limits.

A plot of this equation for values of $R$ is shown in Fig. 1C. The thermal noise $e$ increases with $R$ to a point and then assumes a negative slope. Returning to the hypothetical circuit of Fig. 1A, if the calculated value $R$ is located on the graph of Fig. 1C, it will be found
to fall beyond the noise maxima on the negative slope. A further increase in the ohmic value of $R$ would result in a lower thermalnoise output. At this point, a resistance of such magnitude is being considered that its complete elimination is justified.

## Free-Grid Tube

A decade ago, use of vacuum tubes in low-level circuits without benefit of grid leak was described At that time, plate-loaded tubes were investigated in which it was necessary to determine and provide proper bias for lowest noise operation.

In the microphone system circuit of Fig. 2, grid-leak resistors are absent as is any apparent biasing means. From cathode-loaded amplifier theory, it is known that if a positive potential is established at the grid, the cathode will assume a voltage providing proper tube bias, assuming the circuit constants are correctly established. The problem is one of obtaining a charge on the capacitor microphone and maintaining it at the desired potential.

One explanation is based upon the assumption that the most conductive path across the insulators is the one between grid and cathode. When the circuit is initially energized, full power-supply potential is applied between the plate and screen elements of the vacuum tube and ground. If the control grid were grounded, the cathode would rise to a voltage nearing the cutoff bias value of the tube. In this case, it would be 15 to 20 volts. The grid is not grounded, however. It is connected to a capacitor, which begins to charge to the cathode potential through the major conductive path between grid and cathode.

As the capacitor potential increases, the cathode potential also increases, reducing the voltage gradient across the tube. Since the cathode and grid potentials rise in unison, it can be seen that the microphone is charging to the bias potential, which is the difference in cathode-to-grid voltage. As the cycle nears completion, the charging potential, that is the bias, has reduced to the range of 1 to 1.2 volts and equilibrium is reached. It
might be supposed that if this explanation were correct, the capacitor microphone would charge to the full cathode potential, thereby reducing the grid bias to zero. This cannot occur, since in the absence of a charging potential, the capacitor would soon discharge through the dielectric losses, again providing sustaining charging potential.

## Stability

This circuit is not subject to drift of the polarizing potential with time giving rise to unpredictable variations in microphone sensitivity. Upon being energized, the circuit stabilizes within a few sec-


FIG. 2-Stick-type capacitor microphone has free-grid cathode follower incorporated into microphone base
onds. In addition, microphone polarizing voltage is more consistent with tube substitution than it would be with the conventional self-biasing arrangement.

To attain this consistency, the strictest requirements must govern the design and material of the tube socket, the pieces attached to the socket and the basing arrangement of the tube itself. The socket must be molded of a material having a high volume resistivity and low moisture absorption. Its mechanical design must provide maximum length to the surface leakage paths by means of barriers on the pin side and suitable recessing of the contacts on the tube side. These techniques provide consistent equiv-alent-input-resistance values in the range of 10,000 megohms.

## Additional Noise Sources

The low self-noise value indicated on the graph of Fig. 1C is not realized in practice. This arises from the fact that leakage currents flow through the insulators, giving rise to noise through random-
particle contact resistance and because part of the input resistance is integral to the tube itself. Hence, this resistance attains a temperature much higher than the 23 C ambient used for calculation. To limit temperature rise, the tube heater is worked at potentials ranging from 5.5 to 6 volts. In addition, to minimize noise arising from leakage current, plate and screen potentials are established at the lowest permissible values consistent with satisfactory transconductance and signal handling ability.

The circuit of Fig. 3 was used to determine the noise threshold of the system; $E_{\text {o }}$ ranged from 20 to 50 microvolts.

A 200 -volt battery was then substituted for the microphone, maintaining normal circuit voltages while eliminating impedance in the grid circuit. Voltage $E_{o}$, representing all circuit and tube noises exclusive of grid-circuit origin, thus measured between 4 and 8 microvolts.

To determine whether electrical leakage across the microphone insulator contributed largely to grid circuit noise, the 200 -volt battery was connected between microphone case and circuit ground. The circuit voltages and the grid impedance were normal but the microphone polarizing voltage was zero, relieving the dielectric stress. Voltage $E_{\text {o }}$ was 20 to 50 microvolts indicating that microphone leakage is not a major noise contributor. These values of $E_{o}$ are 3 to 6 times greater than the thermal emf calculated, based upon an equivalent input resistance of 10,000 megohms.

The conclusion drawn from the above measurement is that the grid circuit of the electron tube is the major contributor. There are two prime sources of noise to be considered in the tube input circuit.

First, the tube operates at the free-grid potential, defined as the potential at which equilibrium exists between the flow of electrons and ions to the grid. Although the net grid current is zero, the flow of electrons and ions is random by nature, causing minute fluctuations of the grid voltage. The insulators within the tubes assume quite high temperatures, producing noise from thermal agitation and, in addition,
are subject to d-c potentials causing noise through leakage. The latter is approximately proportional to the IR product of the insulators.

Noise distribution is of importance in the frequency band when the signal source is capacitive. For the network of Fig. 3, with $R \geqq$ $1 \times 10^{10}$, rms noise voltage on a percycle basis varies at a rate that is inversely proportional to frequency, above a nominal 20 cps . This is a fortunate circumstance in the case where the output is monitored aurally, since average ear deficiencies at low levels render much of this noise inaudible.

A suitable tube for free-grid use must have high transconductance, thereby reducing the input admittance to the minimum value. In the triode-connected follower, the susceptances of the interelectrode capacitances are appreciable. The magnitude of input capacitance is

$$
C_{\mathrm{in}}=C_{g p}+C_{g k}(1-A \cos \theta)
$$

where $A$ is the magnitude and 0 the phase angle of cathode voltage relative to grid voltage. The magnitude of the grid-to-plate capacitance, therefore, is not reduced by cathodefollower action.

The static grid-to-plate capacitance of the pentode is reduced by a factor of 500 to 1,000 by virtue of the screen grid. Although the geometric input capacitance may be larger than for a triode, it exists primarily between control grid and the cathode and screen elements. It is therefore reduced by cathode-follower action and may be expressed

$$
C_{\mathrm{in}}=\left(C_{01 \mathrm{l} 2}+C_{\theta 1 k}\right)(1-A \cos \theta)
$$

Hence, when the pentode follower has a sufficiently high gain figure, the input capacitance is less than that of a triode. These factors, as small as they seem, are quite large when it is considered that the miniature microphone is a capacitive generator of only 6 u.uf. Because it is capacitive, susceptance reduces microphone sensitivity without frequency discrimination. This might not be too great a price to pay for the simplicity of the triode. Before judging, however, the resistive component of the input admittance for the two types must be compared.

Conductive loads present the problems of noise and frequency
discrimination previously discussed. If it is assumed that the cathode load is a pure resistance and the conductance term $G_{g}$ mathematically determined, the result is found to be zero for triodes and pentodes.

## Experimental Results

Considerable experimental work has been done with subminiature triodes. This consisted primarily of selecting types with appropriate characteristics, then obtaining quantities from different sources for actual tests in the circuit. A common difficulty proved to be a loss of sensitivity at low frequencies. Some of all types were involved but not all of any one type. It was felt that the rejection percentage was too high to be commercial.


FIG. 3-Circuit used to determine noise
Since measured performance was not in agreement with theoretical results for leakage, it was felt that the losses were due to constructional features of the subminiature triode, rather than to dynamic characteristics. Accordingly, leakage-resistance tests were performed on a number of tubes. A motnr-driven megohmmeter was employed which applied a stress of 500 volts. Scale graduations included calibrations to 10,000 megohms and infinity. The measurements were extended to pentodes for comparison purposes, in which case the suppressor and screen grid elements were connected to the cathode to simulate the dynamic operating condition. In all cases, the instrument guard circuit was employed to allow measurement between discrete elements.
As suspected, a portion of all triode tubes gave indication of leakage between grid and plate. The plate is at a-c ground in the cath-ode-follower circuit, therefore, this resistive component is directly in shunt with the microphone. In this
respect, tube type 5718 was the best subminiature triode tested.
All samples were acceptable in terms of grid-to-plate conductance. The 5879 is a miniature 9 -pin pentode. It was included for comparison as the only one of many types tested that was specifically designed for low-level andio applications. In consideration of leakage resistance only, this tube would seem to be superior. Some advantage may have been gained from its comparatively larger internal structure. However, tube manufacturers agree there are two other manufacturing improvements of consequence.

Condensation of getter material on the insulating mica supports within the tube causes leakage between elements. The 5879 contains a barrier between getter and top mica support, thus preventiner contamination of this surface. The cathode sleeve. usually nicke!, evaporates at a rate dependent upon temperature. It deposits on insulators in much the same way as the getter with the same end results. To minimize this, the tube is processed at a low temperature and fitted with a cathode, which in operation functions at a moderately low temperature.

## Visual Evidence

Representative subminiature triode and pentode tubes were dissected to see if the measured result could be correlated with visible mechanical features. The triode types were similar in construction and without exception had platesupport tabs passing through mica insulators in close proximity to the grid-support rods. By comparison, the spacing in the pentode was at least ten times as large. In addition, r-f shielding in the pentodes consisted of metal barriers in contact with the mica supports and arranged in a way to isolate the grid from the plate. Since these shields are normally connected to the cathode, they reduce both conductance and susceptance.

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## COMPONENT DESIGN TRENDS



FIF. 1-For video switching, crosstalk is attenuated over 60 db at 4 mc in this Danbury-Knudsen coaxial relay


FIG. 2-Actuator pins transfer spring arms between center conductor of common coax and pin grounded through terminating resistor


FIG. 3-Measured crosstalk and swr for coaxial spdt relay in which blade shorts to cavity wall in one position

# Special-Purpose Relays 


#### Abstract

Design refinements in choppers, resonant relays, thermal relays, high-speed relays, contact modulators, a-c/d-c relays, coaxial relays and vacuum relays give improved performance and reliability, thereby broadening markets into many new fields of use


CONNECTING and disconnecting electrical circuits, although basically elementary operations, take on many forms in accordance with the operational requirements of the equipment and the functional limitations of the circuits. In the previous article of this series, several relays designed specifically for opening or closing circuits under command were described. Here, various more specialized relays are described to illustrate the flexibility of recent designs in such electro-magnetic-mechanical devices.

## Coaxial Relay

A coaxial relay or switch presents a problem not normally encountered in switches for lumpedconstant circuits. The switch must, in some applications, present the same impedance to the line opened as when closed. The problem is somewhat related to the circuit loading requirement that necessitates use of a make-before-break contact at lower frequencies. The unit of Fig. 1 provides this con-
stant impedance by the arrangement shown by Fig. 2.

Basically this switch consists of two blades mounted in coaxial connectors, placed in a shielded cavity and deflected by insulating pins. As one blade contacts the center common coaxial contact, the other blade contacts an insulated terminal to which a terminating resistor is connected. This construction is used for video switching, where it terminates each input circuit in its characteristic impedance when not connected to the common output.

In circuits where the disconnected line should be terminated in a short-circuit, the blade grounds to the cavity wall in its open position. This construction attenuates crosstalk by 70 db at 400 mc , compared to 40 db for a T -type switch where one blade is alternately deflected to contact one of two opposed contacts, thereby terminating the disconnected line in an open circuit. In addition, the dimensions of the blade, cavity and coaxial connectors have been selected to match the im-
pedance of 50 -ohm cable, so that the grounding coaxial relay is reported to be useful well into the microwave region. Figure 3 presents manufacturer's measurements for a spdt coaxial relay with type-N connectors.

A further variation of the grounding relay is a multiposition unit. Two cavity blocks are stacked crisscross, with the common coaxial contact extending through each cavity. Energizing any one relay moves its pin to deflect the associated blade, thereby closing that circuit to the common contact. Switching time is approximately 0.015 second ; the operating coil requires approximately 1.5 watts; crosstalk is similar to that of the spdt unit; swr is below 1.2 up to 800 mc . Development is under way to extend this construction up to 16 inputs with characteristics suitable for vhf operation.

Rotary coaxial switches for connecting a generator to any one of as many as six separate loads, manufactured by Thompson Products,


FIG. 4-Vacuum relay for $10-\mathrm{kv}$ power supply has adjustable trip setting from 1 to 8 amp (Jennings Radio)


FIG. 5-Jennings multiple-pole double-throw vacuum relay can switch several high-voltage high-current circuits in synchronism


FIG. 6-Ten armatures are attracted sequentially by series of pulses applied to single winding (Kellogg)

# Gain New Uses 

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are rated for a maximum swr of 1.5 up to $11,000 \mathrm{mc}, 0.2$ insertion loss, $60-\mathrm{db}$ cross-talk attenuation at $3,000 \mathrm{mc}$ and a characteristic impedance of 50 ohms. They handle 100 watts r-f at $3,000 \mathrm{mc}$ ( 700 peak r-f v) and operate from -65 F to +165 F with a life of 100,000 actuations.


## Vacuum Relay

For switching higher r-f or other voltages encountered in electronic equipment, vacuum relays are used. Switch capacitance is one micromicrofarad or less between open contacts. Some units are rated 5 to 100 kv and continuous current from 1 to 800 amp . The tungsten contacts of such units are held together by an external spring or solenoid, the contacts operating in an extremely high-vacuum enclosure.

Because the dielectric strength of a high vacuum is thirty times that of air, a contact separation of 0.25 inch holds off 100 kv . Deionization time is shorter than for other interrupting media. For example, total breakdown time at $10 \mathrm{kv} \mathrm{d}-\mathrm{c}$ is only about 5 milliseconds. The negligible sparking and the ability of tungsten to make at high currents without welding result in such life as over 59,000 operations of one relay in a spot welder control
making a $100-\mathrm{amp} 200-\mathrm{v}$ inductive load.

The trip-free overload circuit breaker of Fig. 4 protects a radio communication transmitter from overload. The lower contact is sealed in a bellows to be movable and is driven by an external solenoid.

For multiple-pole double-throw operation the construction of Fig. 5 has recently been introduced commercially. In the unit shown, four sets of double-throw contacts are sealed into the periphery of the evacuated glass envelope. The unit has a d-c solenoid in the base that moves a clapper plate. Attached to the clapper plate is a ceramic disk with shorting bars attached to it so that the center contact of each set is connected from one outer contact to the other when the relay is actuated. Design emphasis in these
units is on switching high currents at high voltages.

## Magnetic Impulse Counter

Where the need is for handling a high amount of information at low level, the magnetic impulse counter of Fig. 6 is available. Based on the familiar telephone relay, this digital relay actuates ten sets of contacts sequentially from a single coil without the use of latches or dogs and escapements.

Armatures once attracted are held by residual magnetism in the core until a single pulse applied to a second coil erases the residual magnetism. Associated with each armature is a normally open and a normally closed contact. Standard contact material is palladium, but gold alloy is supplied for low-impedance applications. The small, light-weight armatures ro-

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## COMPONENT DESICN TRENDS

- Coaxial relays for video switching provide desired impedance match whether open or closed
- Vacuum relays give long life at high voltages and currents in transmitter and spot welder applications
- Solenoid moves ceramic clapper plate in vacuum relay having sealed-in-glass contacts
- Ten-armature counting relay actuates ten sets of contacts one by one; single reverse pulse releases all contacts
tate through so small an are that life is expected to exceed $10^{8}$ pulses. As with many relays, coils are available for operation within voltage variations of 10 percent of nominal for $6,12,24,48$ and 115 v d -c.

The coil core is flat, hard steel with sufficient residual magnetism to hold an armature in its operated position against the contact springs. A pulsing winding at the armature end of the core drives the armatures; a knockdown winding at the heel end releases all armatures. Ten parallel magnetic circuits, completed through the heel iron, are formed by the ten armatures and a double comb assembly that mounts on the main pole piece and an extended front pole piece.

Each armature except the first is initially held against a tooth of the outer or air gap adjustment comb (Fig. 6) by a load spring (upper of the two control springs). When the counter is at its open-circuit position, the first armature is held by the control spring in what is termed the half-step position; that is, with the lower segment of the armature approximately half-way between the main and the front pole pieces. In this position the armature is beyond the influence of the front or extended pole piece and within the pull-in range of the main pole piece.

The first pulse of current to the driving winding attracts only the first armature to the main pole, thus operating the associated spring contacts. During this pulse, the other nine armatures are held by magnetic pull against the front pole piece.

After the first pulse, residual magnetism holds the first armature in its operate position. In this posi-
tion the first armature has lifted its upper control spring. This spring overlaps the second armature, but being lifted no longer loads it. The motor spring (lower of the two control springs) under the second armature then moves the second armature into its halfstep position so that it will operate on the next pulse. The motor spring has only sufficient tension to overcome the residual magnetism through the front pole piece. Because of clearance between the armature arm and the ladder that drives the spring contacts, motion of the armature into the half-step position does not actuate the contacts.

The second pulse of current pulls in the second armature, thereby actuating the associated contacts and lifting the load spring to free the third armature so that its motor spring can advance it to its half-step position. The sequence of


FIG. 7-Typical characteristic of resonant relay shows that operate and release are substanfially at same coil voltage below resonance
operations continues until all ten sets of contacts are actuated or until a reverse pulse of current through the release coil neutralizes the residual magnetism, at which time the overlapping load springs return the armatures against the front comb.

This impulse counter relay mounts in a space equivalent to two standard telephone relays and weighs 1.25 lb . Tests to determine the counter's ability to remain operated on its residual magnetism showed that the armatures remain operated with no current to either winding for more than four months. Tests were discontinued after this interval because it exceeds all foreseeable requirements. Operating current at 48 v is 0.62 amp . Minimum duration of applied pulse is 0.016 second; operate time is between 0.006 and 0.008 second; minimum interval between applied pulses is 0.016 second; minimum duration of release pulse is 0.050 second.

## Thermal Time-Delay Relays

The trend, apparent in all electronic components, toward smaller size and less reaction to environment has resulted in miniaturized hermetically sealed thermal time delay relays. Units made by George Ulanet Co. are representative of this trend. Thermal timers are used for long delays because of their low cost, ability to provide a


FIG. 8-Frahm oscillator control consists of two reeds mounted on a bar to form a vibrating element isolated by rubber mounts from base (James G. Biddle)
definite time lag or a time lag proportional to overload and ability to take elevated ambient temperature.

At G-V Controls, over 90 percent of their thermal relay production is now devoted to miniature units for mounting in a miniature 7 -pin tube socket or directly on a chassis in a punching the same as that for a 9 -pin socket. Older units plug into an octal socket. Although hermetically sealed, the delay of these units is adjustable over a 5 to 1 range by an external screw that deflects an arm passing through a diaphragm. Delays of 0.25 second to several minutes are provided by such units. Within 3 or 4 seconds after being de-energized these relays are ready to time another cycle.

These miniature thermal relays consist of two rigid stainless steel bars of equal length which expand equally with temperature rise. The heating element is embedded in one member. A hinge between the two rods carries a long contact arm that is deflected by any differential expansion of the rods to actuate the contacts, which can be either normally open or normally closed. Con-


FIG. 9-Oscillator circuit with resonantreed control of frequency provides 1.5 v output at 20 C with 20,000 ohm load
tact force is about 30 grams and the contacts have a slight wiping action. The nominal time delay is predetermined by the thermal mass of the bars; tolerance is somewhat less than $\pm 10$ percent of normal time delay and is maintained over a range of -70 C to +70 C .

In addition to the usual characteristics of relays such as life, power drain, contact voltage and current rating, insulation, chatter and effect of shock and vibration, thermal relays have a re-operating time and a recovery time. The reoperating time is the interval which elapses after power to the heater is cut off at the operating point


FIG. 10 -High-speed relay operates in 0.2 millisecond when driven from a high. resistance power source, and releases somewhat faster (Stevens-Ârnold)
until it re-operates the contacts (closing normally closed contacts, for example). Recovery time is the interval that must elapse after power to the heater is cut off at the operating point for the relay to recover its ability to repeat a specified portion of its timing cycle. Reoperating times are usually of the same order as rated delay times. At the re-operate time a thermal relay has generally recovered about half its rated delay and usually requires about five times its delay time to recover substantially full delay.

To avoid chatter and intermittent contact during the interval that a thermal relay is actuating its contacts, Elly Electronics Corp. manufactures a unit actuated by a bimetallic element with a snap action that develops 20 grams of contact force at the instant of actuation. If the heater remains energized this force increases considerably. These units actuate a spdt switch with silver contacts rated for 10 amperes a-c. Units with twice this rating are under development.

The snap-action thermal relay is compensated for operation from -55 C to +85 C and provides a delay of from 2 to 200 seconds accurate to $\pm 15$ percent. It can be supplied, because of the snap action, in a wide range of re-operate times. A laboratory model of this relay operates on one watt, about a quarter of the power usually required.

## Resonant Relays

For multiplex telemetering, resonant relays serve both to discriminate between signals of different frequencies and to respond to their respective signals. The StevensArnold resonant relays are designed
to respond to a relatively small signal, as shown in Fig. 7, and to actuate an auxiliary relay or thyratron. A vibrating reed mechanism is adjusted at the factory to respond to a narrow band of frequencies. In response to energy at the resonant frequency, the contacts vibrate, closing the controlled circuit intermittently at the resonant frequency. Either a slow-acting relay or an electronic circuit can thus be energized. Standard frequencies are $60,153,170,189,210,234,260,289$, $322,357,398$ and 442 cps with a bandwidth of $\pm 1$ percent minimum at 3 v . There is sufficient spacing between these frequencies to prevent unwanted operation either by another frequency or by a harmonic of another frequency.

Only 20 milliwatts operates a relay at 3 v . Coil resistance is 500 ohms. Contacts are rated for 110 volts d-c at 0.25 amp maximum; contacts are closed for 5 percent of the time.

For signaling at frequencies from 50 to $1,000 \mathrm{cps}$, a pair of resonant relay units is available consisting of an oscillator control unit shown in Fig. 8 and a reed relay. In the range of 200 to 500 cps , up to 16 channels terminated by such units can operate without interference, the control unit producing a signal at a preset frequency and the relay unit responding to it.

The oscillator control unit consists of a miniature tuning fork used in a circuit such as that of Fig. 9. A drive coil around one reed and a pickup coil around the other couple the mechanical structure to the electrical circuit. Operated in the range of 200 to $1,000 \mathrm{cps}$, the circuit provides a buildup time of

## COMPONENT DESICN TRENDS

- Miniaturization and hermetic sealing permit high ambient temperatures, extending uses of thermal time-delay relays
- Tube-socket mountings gain favor for many types of relays
- Snap action reduces chatter in thermal relays
- Resonant relays become more frequency-selective, permitting operation on more channels for given bandwidth in multiplex telemetering
- Thin leaf-spring armatures minimize inertia of moving parts in high-speed relays
less than 30 seconds, an initial feequency within $\pm 0.15$ percent of nominal value at 20 C and a temperature coefficient of frequency (for the control separate from the oscillator) of less than -0.003 percent per degree C from -40 C to +80 C .

The signal so generated is transmitted to a mating reed relay. By coding the information to be transmitted as combinations of $n$ frequencies, with 16 channels available between 200 and 500 cps and, for example, four relays required to respond for each control function, 1,820 control functions can be handled.

The speed of response of a resonant relay depends on the signal level. These units can be operated at any level between 20 and 200 ampere-turns. At low levels the operating power is in the order of 20 milliwatts, with response time within 25 cycles after a suddenly applied signal; at one watt, response time is less than 8 cycles. Coil resistances are available from about half an ohm to over 500 ohms.

The vibrating contacts are closed about 5 percent of the time during operation; they are rated for 0.75 amp and 200 v . For long contact life, an auxiliary relay should be used that operates at between 20 and 50 milliwatts.

## High-Speed Relay

For the most part, the speed of operation of a relay is determined by the inertia and spring loading of the armature. In the spdt unit of Fig. 10, the armature is a leaf spring carrying the movable contact, thereby minimizing the inertia of the moving parts. The normally open contact is supported on the
pole piece, while the normally closed contact is supported on a copper strip. This switch assembly is supported in a brass channel and constitutes the core for the coil. (A similar construction is used in a vacuunı switch recently developed by Revere Corp. of America.) When the coil is energized, the armature deflects to close the air gap in the magnetic circuit, thereby transferring contact from one fixed contact to the other. An electrostatic shield surrounds the switch assembly.

Rated operating power is as low as 240 milliwatts for spdt and 480 milliwatts for dpdt. Pull-in current is about a third to a half of rating; drop-out current is about a fifth of rating. With constant-current operation, wherein the resistance of the driving circuit at least five times the resistance of the coil, first contact is made 0.2 millisecond after applying power and firm contact is achieved in 1.0 millisecond. After power is removed, the normally open contacts release in 0.1 millisecond; 0.05 millisecond later the normally closed contacts first reclose, and by the end of 1.0 millisecond firm contact of the normally-closed contacts is re-established. Constant-voltage operation produces slower closing times; somewhat faster operation is possible if the R-C time constant of the constant-current generator is in the vicinity of half a millisecond.
Two types of contacts are available for this relay : gold alloy rated up to 110 v and 0.25 amp , and plati-num-rhodium rated from 10 to 110 v and from 0.05 to 0.5 amp . Contact resistance of gold alloy contacts is low and stable but the life of such contacts is short if they pass appreciable current. Platinum-rhodium
contacts can handle higher current but tend to develop slightly higher contact resistance in use. With either contact material, a spark suppression circuit is required if the relay is connected to an inductive or a capacitive load.

For an inductive load, the suppression circuit consists of a series resistor and capacitor shunting the contacts to provide a critically damped loop with the load. For a capacitive load, a resistor in series with the contacts limits the current to within the contact rating.

## A-C/D-C Relay

Heretofore relays have generally been adapted for operation from a-c power sources by using shading coils and other techniques for producing sufficiently slow response to prevent the armature from chattering. Recently developed high-efficiency dry rectifiers provide an alternative solution, illustrated by an a-c/d-c relay being currently introduced by Hi-G Inc. There are a variety of features of this relay indicative of modern trends.

The unit is compact and houses a full-wave bridge rectifier using four miniature germanium diodes and a d-c relay in a hermetically sealed case. Thus the relay operates on d-c of either polarity or on a-c without chatter. The diodes are mounted so that their heat is conducted to the outer case for dissipation. Like so many other components being developed today, this one was initially designed for airborne use on 400 cps power so that a complete switching circuit could be powered directly from the a-c line.

The rotating armature is both statically and dynamically balanced, with the result that the relay withstands shock in excess of 100 g and vibration accelerations in excess of 20 g at $2,000 \mathrm{cps}$. The armature has a double air gap to produce high torque and fast action in driving the contact arms firmly against solid silver ball contacts. Resilient contact arms provide armature spring return, so that accessory springs are unnecessary, A wiping action keeps the point of contact clean; contact current of 4 amperes can be controlled with a life of over $10^{-}$operations. Units operating under normal conditions have exceeded

400,000 cycles of operation.
To test the contact noise of these units, a potentiometer noise tester is used to measure relay contact resistances as low as 0.01 ohm . The relay is placed on a shake table and the noise tester used to detect any brief instant when contact resistance rises above a defined threshold.

Where utmost reduction in space and weight is required, entire relay switching networks, including single and ganged relays, are hermetically sealed in a can for custom packaging.

## Contact Modulators

Related to spdt relays but requiring some special considerations, especially as to life and symmetry of operation, contact modulators are coming into prominence in automatic control and related applications. Illustrative characteristics of such a unit, for a low-noise model developed by Iron Fireman Manufacturing Co., include reed resonance sufficiently above 800 cps so that input and output can be varied from 60 to $800 \mathrm{cps}, 65$-degree phase angle between switch action and impressed drive voltage at 400 cps , spdt break-before-make contacts rated from 1 to $10 \mathrm{v} \mathrm{d-c}$ and $100 \mu \mathrm{a}$ with a life in excess of 2,000 hours, drive coil rated for $6.3 \mathrm{va}-\mathrm{c}$, plug-in mounting for an octal tube socket and construction to withstand usual military and industrial environments. This unit, like the one illustrated in Fig. 11, brings the coil leads out through the top and the contact leads out through the base to minimize pickup of the a-c drive voltage in the signal circuit.

The unit in Fig. 11 is available in two models, for operation at 55 to 65 cps or at 45 to 55 cps . Like the high-speed relay described above, either gold alloy contacts (rated to $1.5 \mathrm{v} \mathrm{d}-\mathrm{c}$ and 1 ma ) or platinumrhodium contacts (rated from 1.0 to $50 \mathrm{v} \mathrm{d-c}$ and 5 ma ) are available. The 77 -ohm coil is rated for 6.3 v a-c at 90 ma maximum ; phase angle between switch action and drive voltage is 22 degrees. A companion chopper is rated for operation from 0 to 500 cps with spdt gold alloy contacts. The unit is rated for a noise of $200 \mu \mathrm{v}$, and for $100 \mu \mathrm{v}$ on special order.

Noise is defined to a great extent
by the method of measurement. The setup of Fig. 12 is used at StevensArnold. The decade amplifier and vtvm are commercial units such as Ballantine models 220 and 300 . The chopper mounting should be thoroughly shielded. To check the effectiveness of the shielding, disconnect one of the leads to the chopper coil at its source. The steady reading of the voltmeter should be less than 0.001 volt with an amplifier gain of 100 , although random fluctuations may send the pointer above this limit. With the chopper operating the noise level is the indicated voltage divided by the amplifier gain. This is the unsymmetrical output waveform of the noise voltage converted by the meter into the rms of an equivalent sine wave.

Where a chopper is used in a nullseeking circuit, the noise masks and thus broadens the null. If, as is the case in such a circuit, the chopper is to operate most of the time near this null, contact rating at low current and voltage may be more significant than full rating. Here, however, as in most contact switches, life decreases rapidly as the voltamperes to be interrupted increases above the design limit.

## Symmetrical Chopper

Another consideration in the choice of a chopper for a particular application is symmetry. Inevitably some drive voltage leaks into the signal input circuit where, if it is not removed by a filter, it is transmitted by the synchronous switch together with the d-c signal. Deppending on the phase angle between the switch action and the impressed coil voltage, the chopper will tend to attenuate the in-phase component (phase angle of switching action near $\pm 90$ degrees) or the quadrature component (phase angle of switching action near 0 degrees). For perfectly symmetrical switching action, both components vanish. As the switching action becomes asymmetrical, the quadrature component rises rapidly but the chopper transmits less than 10 percent in-phase component for an asymmetry as much as about 25 percent. Thus, both switching angle and symmetry are important properties of choppers. Where the switching angle is stable, a phase-shifting cir-


FIG. 1l-Chopper housed in Mu-metal case, giving noise level below one microvolt into 103,000 ohm load, rated for operation from 0 to 43 C (Stevens-Arnold)


FIG. 12-Measuring noise from chopper


FIG. 13-Chapper provides highly symmetrical low-level switching with stablephase of switching action (Bristal Co.)

## COMPONENI DESIGN TRENDS

- Germanium-diode bridge rectifier in relay housing permits operation on either a-c or d-c
- Low-noise contact modulators for automatic control applications use symmetrical vibrating-reed construction
- Relay-type choppers withstanding $30-\mathrm{g}$ shock now being designed
- Heary-contact choppers withstand 1,000-hour life test
- Photoelectric choppers exceed 10,000 -hour life
cuit can be placed in the coil drive circuit to provide the desired angle if the inherent angle of the chopper is otherwise.

The chopper of Fig. 13 is specifically designed to achieve symmetrical switching (asymmetry below 0.5 percent). The unit provides dpdt action for both synchronous modulation and demodulation of the signal. A permanent magnet constitutes part of the magnetic circuit to bias the switch, as in a polarized relay. The armatures, 0.007 inch thick and weighing only 0.03 gram, are free from resonances up to several thousand cps. Thus, at, usual operating frequencies, the switching angle is relatively independent of frequency.

Substantially full reed driving


FIG. 14-Cataway of chopper in which oversize contacts operated with high impact give long life (Airpax Products)
force is developed within a small electrical phase angle after the coil current passes through zero, so that changes of $\pm 20$ percent in coil current cause negligible shift in switching phase. The unit makes possible discrimination of a $0.05-\mu \mathrm{v}$ signal in the presence of stray power line voltages 2,000 times greater, can be operated from 0 to $3,500 \mathrm{cps}$ and has contacts rated for 3 volts and 2 ma with resistive load. A group of units on accelerated life test at 600 cps operated satisfactorily for over two years. A miniature version of this nonresonant reed inverter is hermetically sealed, shock and vibration resistant and fits seven-pin miniature tube sockets and shields.

## Design for Reliability

As with the other components surveyed in this series, reliability is becoming a pressing problem. If the design of a chopper is such as to withstand environmental extremes, the factors that remain to limit life are erratic contact action, manifesting itself as changes in dwell time, and the appearance of contact resistance. If the contact resistances to the two fixed contacts becomes unequal, the modulation is unbalanced; that is, there is an offset error. An insidious aspect is that the resistance is erratic and may go unnoticed in life tests yet cause faulty operation in equipment.

In the chopper of Fig. 14, large, heavy contacts are driven to produce high impact force, rapid break and wide opening traverses. As a consequence, the unit is capable of handling substantial power during momentary overload. A bolster plate provides damping to limit chatter at closure and to accelerate the contact quickiy at break. The units are life-tested at rated 400 cps for 1,000


FIG. 15-Test setup for measuring dwell times of Airpax chopper. Accuracy is improved by reversing polarity to drive coil to interchange dwell time periods
hours on recording equipment that measures average dwell time for a d-c signal of $50 \mu \mathrm{v}$ at $50 \mu \mathrm{a}$, using the circuit of Fig. 15. Although the tests are discontinued at 1,000 hours ( $1.44 \times 10^{9}$ operations) to release the test racks for the next sample, users have reported lifes in excess of 5,000 hours. The contacts of this unit are rated for 2 ma and 100 v .

Several miniature versions of this basic structure are available, one rated for operation from 30 to 110 cps , and two models rated for operation to +200 C . All electrical connections are spot-welded; no organic materials or binders are used. Continuous life tests of these units at 200 C indicate that performance is substantially as good as at normal ambient. The leads to the drive coils of these units are twisted.

During final assembly of these choppers at Airpax, dwell times are individually adjusted to equality by observing the times of closure and break as displayed on a circular sweep, from which phase angles can be read accurate to a degree. Phase angle is also checked so that, in those applications where necessary, a phase-correcting circuit can be relied upon to provide the desired contact phasing.

Phase angle of a 60 -cps unit 14 in. high is held to $21 \pm 5$ degrees, although a tolerance of $\pm 15$ is more usual on other models in anticipation that they will be used in circuits that rely upon filters and shielding in the low-level d-c signal input circuit to minimize leakage from the drive voltage. The phase angle of a $400-\mathrm{cps}$ unit is near 90 degrees to minimize transmission of the in-phase component of the driving sine wave. The balance of this unit is within 15 degrees, and it is intended for circuits with wellshielded or filtered signal input.

## Counting Circuit

## Batches Components

Articles such as paper, sweets, buttons and metal parts are automatically counted and batched at count speeds up to 400 per second in quantities of two to 1,000 units. High accuracy of count and special counter packaging ensure long-term reliability

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PReselected batching of steel components for various industrial uses is accomplished by a recently developed batching counter.

The counter was designed for a firm requiring batching of small steel components automatically at high speed. The transfer mechanism used to separate the batches was already installed and working, the limiting factor being the necessity of weighing the components against a standard batch before initiation of this mechanism. Also, due to the components being hot when weighed, heavy asbestos gloves had to be used, with consequent reduction of speed and efficiency. A fully automatic system was desired, which would count the components passing along a conveyor belt and after a predetermined number had gone by, would initiate the transfer mechanism.
Requirements for operation of the transfer mechanism are simple. A solenoid operating a small clutch is energized over for a period of not less than 0.1 second. This starts a chain conveyor with buckets to take the selected number of components. During this time the counter is required to reset itself and continue counting since the articles are fed at the same speed during separation of the batches.

The equipment is used in a hot metallic-dust-laden atmosphere and is therefore completely sealed. The problem of heat dissipation was overcome by using cold-cathode


Typical insiallation of counter on paper cutter counts and batches sheets of paper into quires or other quantities
tubes throughout. Due to the very low heat radiation, the equipment runs for 8 hours with a temperature rise of only 10 deg C .
The batch number is selected by three front-panel switches, arranged to select units, tens and hundreds, so that direct reading can be obtained of the number selected. A reset button permits manual zeroing.

## Counter Tube Operation

Three GS10C Dekatron selector tubes are used in the counter. These tubes have a counting rate of 550 a second, easily covering the speed requirements. They consist of 30 cold-cathode diodes in a common envelope. The cathodes are in the form of rods and are mounted around a common central plate. The plate is connected through a high resistance to a positive supply of 400 volts. When the cathodes are returned to the negative point, one of the plate-cathode gaps ionizes and the glowing cathode can be seen through the front of the tube. Plate current flows through the plate load resistor and the voltage at the plate drops to the maintaining voltage of the glow. This voltage is less than the voltage required to strike a further discharge, therefore only one cathode glows.

If a cathode adjacent to that already glowing is made negative the ionized gas already in close proximity to this gap causes the breakdown voltage to be only a few volts greater than the maintaining po-
tential and therefore this cathode will strike. Two adjacent cathodes are now glowing, but as there is a constant potential difference between plate and glowing cathode, the plate follows the negative-going cathode potential. This reduces the potential difference across the gap, which was originally glowing, until it is insufficient to maintain the discharge; the second cathode then carries the plate current. Thus the glow circulates. The waveforms of the voltages applied to the cathodes must be such that each electrode is, in turn, the most negative.
The first, fourth, seventh, etc cathodes are all connected internally; the second, fifth, etc likewise. The remaining cathodes are brought out to the tube base separately. The two rings of cathodes are referred to as guides 1 and 2, the next electrode clockwise to any cathode being guide 1.

In operation the second guides are biased positive with respect to the cathodes by a potential at least equal to the transfer voltage. Then at the cessation of the pulse on these electrodes, the following cathode will appear negative and the glow will leave the second guide.

## Counter Circuit

Figure 1 shows the counter circuit. The input impulse from the photocell amplifier is fed through $C_{1}$ to the trigger of $V_{1}$. The $+170-$ volt positive bias on this tube ensures that it will trigger with a positive-going pulse in excess of 5
volts. The plate of this tube is coupled to the first guides of $V_{2}$ through $C_{2}$.

The second guides are fed from a tap on the plate load through $C_{3}$. When $V_{2}$ triggers, both capacitors discharge and due to the tapped plate load, the negative pulse passed to guide 1 is larger in amplitude than that at guide 2. Therefore the glow discharge in $V_{2}$ transfers from cathode 0 , to guide 1 . On discharge of $C_{2}$ and $C_{3}, V_{1}$ resets due to the insufficient current passed by the plate load, which unless supplemented by the discharge of the capacitors will not maintain the burning voltage.

The charging of $C_{2}$ and $C_{3}$ causes guide 1 of $V_{2}$ to become more positive than guide 2 because of the difference in time constants, thereby causing the glow to surround guide 2 until it becomes sufficiently positive with respect to the cathodes. The glow then transfers, completing one count. This sequence occurs until the output pulse from cathode 10 of $V_{2}$ triggers $V_{3}$, which then drives $V_{4}$ and so on.

## Gate and Reset

Figure 2 shows the coincident gate and reset circuit. Should any cathode of the GS10C tubes be made negative to all the others, the glow will jump to this cathode. This offers a convenient method of resetting the counter to zero, by feeding a negative pulse to all transfer cathodes. The sliders of the three selector switches, having been


FIG. 1-Counter circuit uses three GSIOB dekatron selector tubes. These tubes have a counting rate of 500 per second. Test-pulse switch permits injecting of 60 -cycle signal into counter to check its operation
switched to the required catnodes, are connected to blocking crystal rectifiers. Bias is applied to the positive side of these rectifiers, which are also connected to the trigger of gating tube $V_{1}$.

During normal operation, the rectifiers pass current through the 220,000 -ohm load resistors. However, when the glow discharge rests on a cathode which has been selected, the current passing through that cathode load causes a voltage drop to appear across it, which is sufficient to block the rectifier. Since there are still two other rectifiers passing current, the voltage at point $X$ does not rise until all the selected cathodes have a glow resting on them. Then as all rectifiers are blocked, the positive voltage rise at point $X$ fires tube $V_{1}$.

To give counts of less than 100 or 10 , the cathode load resistors are returned to the blank pin on the selector switch, which in all other positions but zero is grounded by the grounding slider. On being switched to zero, however, the rectifier for that circuit is opencircuited, allowing two rectifiers or only one rectifier to block before $V_{1}$ is triggered. On $V_{1}$ triggering, the negative-going pulse at the plate is fed through three crystal rectifiers to the tenth or transfer cathode of each counter tube.

The negative pulse developed across the plate load of $V_{1}$ is large enough to reset the GS10C tubes to zero. Tube $V_{2}$ is triggered by $V_{1}$. Coupling capacitor $C_{1}$ on discharg-


Counter for batching bread rolls into two loading chutes
ing resets $V_{1}$ ready for the next batch pulse. A large capacitance $C_{2}$ across $V_{z}$ ensures that the relay in the cathode circuit is held on long enough to operate a small solenoid. Discharge of this capacitor also resets $V_{2}$ for the next pulse.

## Pickups

Various types of pickup heads have been used with this counter, such as photocells, magnetic pickups and snap-action switches. Use of a P50A (Standard Telephone \& Cable, Ltd) transistor photocell has extended the field. Due to the small size and high output of the P50A, it is ideal for use on small objects such as cigarettes, pills and other articles. This cell has a sensitive area of $1.5 \times 0.5 \mathrm{~mm}$ and a sensi-


FIG. 2-Selector and reset circuit uses three rotary switches for unit selection. A negative pulse fed to all the cathodes resets the counter to zero
tivity of 30 ma per lumen. Its chief advantage is that it will operate the trigger tube of the counter directly and can be placed in positions that are inaccessible to normal-size photocells.

With use of a less sensitive photocell, a preamplifier giving a short output pulse is necessary for freedom from jumping and missing counts. The counter input circuit is insensitive to hum pickup, therefore a long input lead can be tolerated without elaborate shielding.

The complete counter has a maximum count speed of 400 per second with a maximum batch speed of 0.5 second. It counts batches of 2 to 1,000 in units of one. Input pulses must be positive, greater than 5 volts and of not less than 100 -microseconds duration.

The unit has found application for counting and batching papes envelopes, sweets, metal components and other products. A typical setup on a paper feeder, which batches the sheets into quires or any other convenient number, is shown in the photograph. A variation of the standard counter is used on a machine for predetermined batching of bread rolls into two baskets. As shown there are two output chutes; both of these can be selected alternately to give different numbers of rolls automatically.

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# Wide-Band Analog Function Multiplier 

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#### Abstract

Beam-deflection tubes perform nonlinear squaring operations that are the basis of this analog multiplication method. Speed and accuracy are high. Performance is primarily limited by associated circuitry rather than the tubes


DEVELOPED on the quarter-square principle, a simple analog function multiplier takes advantage of the characteristics of recently developed beam-deflection squarelaw tubes, such as type QK-329. These can provide full parabolic square-law action to an accuracy better than 1 percent of full scale, over a frequency range from d-c to the vhf region.

This particular multiplier was built to explore the possibility of using these square-law tubes for this application. Commercially available plug-in amplifiers were employed in the associated circuits. Results obtained showed that performance of this relatively crude model was, on the whole, limited by the associated circuitry rather than the square-law tubes. Nevertheless a combination of accuracy and speed of response had been achieved that exceeded any other known method of analog multiplication.

A quarter-square multiplier is instrumented around the identity

$$
\begin{equation*}
x y=\frac{1}{1}(x+y)^{2}-(x-y)^{2} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

The left-hand term is the desired product and requires the perform-
ance on the right-hand side of the operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication by a constant, and squaring. All operations but squaring are linear and are readily accomplished using conventional techniques. The particular method selected for achieving the two nonlinear squaring functions, however, presents a design problem and is principally responsible for the characteristics that distinguish one quarter-square multiplier from another.


FIG. 1-Comparison of curved portion of static characteristic of square-law tube with parabola

The beam-deflection square-law tubes used as the starting point in the present design are capable of providing accurate reproducible full-parabolic transfer characteristics in a noncritical manner. Over their range of operation, speed of response and accuracy capabilities are essentially independent of each other. That is, the same accuracy obtainable under d-c conditions is achievable at the upper end of its frequency range.

## Square-Law Circuit Elements

The principle employed to produce a square-law characteristic in these tubes is that of deflecting a flat sheet of electrons across a target electrode containing parabolic apertures.

The discussed tube is essentially a copy, with only minor modifications of the simplest of the QK256 series of experimental beamdeflection square-law tubes. ${ }^{1}$ More precise methods of measuring and plotting the nonlinear static characteristics have indicated that the accuracies achievable are better than was previously stated.

Figure 1 is a plot of a typical


Complete analog multiplier employs amplifiers that provide a single-ended lowimpedance output at an open-loop d-c gain of over 10,000. Present frequency response is limited by amplifier bandwidths


Type QK-329 beam-deflection tube pro vides full parabolic square-law action with 1 percent accuracy at full scale
static characteristic made on an automatic precision ( 0.1 percent) plotting board. Within an input range about the origin of approximately $\pm 35$ volts the error is too small to measure by such means and remains less than 1 percent up to $\pm 40$ volts. Within these limits the static characteristic may be idealized to a close approximation as a parabola

$$
\begin{equation*}
i_{\text {out }}=i_{0}+k\left(e_{0}+e_{\mathrm{in}}\right)^{2} \mathrm{amp} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

with its vertex displaced from the origin by amounts $e_{0}$ and $i_{0}$.

## Current

Scale factor $k$ is expressed in mhos per volt and is essentially a constant for a given tube over a wide range of variations in cathode to anode voltage, when operated with its average deflection-plate potential, $E_{\text {bins }}$, maintained at a fixed fraction of $E_{R+}$. The voltage required to center the parabola on the vertical axis, $-e_{0}$, is generally small. Its magnitude may differ from tube to tube, but remains constant with time for a given tube and is not sensitive to changes in operating potentials. Self-centering schemes
are, therefore unnecessary to hold $e_{0}$ constant.

The current, $i_{0}$, is a function of total current and subject to change when any of the operating parameters that affect total current are varied, such as heater voltage, $E_{\text {bls, }}$ or $E_{B_{+}}$. Normal precautions appropriate to d-c amplifier design are therefore advisable to keep $i_{0}$ stable.

As with most beam-deflection devices, best operation of the QK-329 is obtained with a balanced input. The input conductance between deflection plates is small enough to ignore under most conditions. Where precise operation at d-c is required, account should be taken of the possible presence of diode currents of about 10 microamperes between the cathode and the positively biased deflection plates. This current is not an inherent property of the tube type, but rather a consequence of the fact that its effect had not been noticed in earlier applications.

## The Multiplier

Equation 1 can be instrumented in a variety of ways. The block diagram of Fig. 2 illustrates the
arrangement of functional components employed. No effort was made to obtain any particular overall multiplier scale factor. Three identical plug-in operational amplifier units are used in standard feedback computer configurations of unity gain to perform both the inverting and subtracting functions. These amplifiers provide a highimpedance differential pair of inputs and a single-ended low-impedance output at an open-loop d-c gain of over 10,000 . Both amplifier inputs handle signals in the subtractor stage, whereas one of the inputs in each of the two inverter stages is only used for zeroing purposes.

The output or product of a multiplier with identical inputs may contain frequency components up to twice as high as those present in either input. Consequently, the subtractor must be capable of operating up to a maximum frequency of double that which must be handled by the inverters.

In order to further extend the frequency range of the subtractor it was found necessary to reduce the impedance level of its associated ex-


FIG. 2-Multiplier system using identical amplifier units for inverting and subtracting
ternal computing resistance below that used in the inverters.

Ground potential is used as an absolute zero reference for the multiplier input and output signals. The plug-in amplifier circuits when zeroed do not introduce any shift in reference level between their inputs and outputs. However, the input and output of a square-law stage normally operate at different potentials. The deflection plates of the beam-deflection tube rather than its output, operate near ground potential. This avoids complicating the driving circuits to the squarelaw stages, that are already burdened with provisions for forming balanced sum-and-difference signals.

The potential differences between square-law stage outputs and subtractor inputs are eliminated through the use of conventional voltage-divider step-down arrangements. To prevent excessive signal attenuation, cathode followers are inserted between the high-impedance voltage-divider taps and the lower impedance inputs to the subtractor.

Push-pull sum-and-difference signals for the square-law stage inputs, $\pm(x+y)$ and $\pm(x-y)$, are formed with respect to ground potential in a symmetrical passive summing network. To do this, the network is supplied with balanced versions of the multiplier input signals, $\pm x$ and $\pm y$. Signals $+x$ and $+\boldsymbol{y}$ are derived directly from the input terminals of the multiplier, while the inverters provide their negative counterparts. A schematic diagram of the complete wide-band
analog function multiplier appears in Fig. 3.

Instantaneous output accuracy within $\pm 0.5$ percent of maximum product was consistently achieved within the input operating ranges of $\pm 25$ volts after alignment of the function multiplier.

A dynamic range of approximately 30 db at either input and 60 db at the output was obtained.

Overall amplitude response was flat for either or both input frequencies from d-c to 90 kc (output flat to 180 kc ) with a gradual rolloff at higher frequencies.

The overall phase response at 90 ke was 65 deg and decreased almost linearly with frequency. Phase response was measured with one input a constant to make input and output frequencies identical.

Long-term drift from all causes including adjustments was within 1 percent of maximum product af ter an initial settling period of about 3 hours. The output zero required the longest settling time, while other adjustments reached stability more rapidly. Conventional regulated power supplies fed by a 2 -percent a-c line regulator were used to power the multiplier during the stability measurements.

## Multiplier Adjustment

Circuits employed to instrument the basic multiplier equation produce a nominal over-all scale factor other than one-to-one. No effort has been made to achieve a unity scale factor. The circuits, unless compensated, may introduce a number of extraneous terms that arise from misalignments.

Magnitudes of errors produced by some of the potential sources of extraneous terms, such as deviations of the effective gains of the inverters from unity or the sum-and-difference network from equality, depend upon the accuracy and stability of passive resistive components. Errors contributed by these parts of the multiplier may be minimized during construction by use of accurate and stable resistors and are therefore not considered.

Other errors, more subject to variation with time (those dependent upon the stability of active or replaceable components) are best eliminated by adjustments. Equa-
tion 1 may be rewritten to include these terms and their adjustments, in the form

$$
\begin{align*}
K x y+\Delta= & A_{1}\left(x+y+z_{1}\right)^{2}- \\
& A_{2}\left(x-y+z_{2}\right)^{2}+C \tag{3}
\end{align*}
$$

where, in the above equation factor $K$ is the over-all scale factor of the multiplier and $\Delta$ is the total error at the output caused by misalignments.

Scale factors of the squared sum-and-difference channels, $A_{1}$ and $A_{2}$, include the square-law, cathodefollower and subtractor stages.

The off-center terms at the inputs to the square-law stages, $z_{1}$ and $z_{2}$ include the respective square-lan stage centering voltages, $e_{0}$, and the inverter zero adjustments, $B$, used to set them to zero

$$
\begin{align*}
& z_{1}=\left(e_{0}\right)_{1}+B_{1}+B_{2}  \tag{3~A}\\
& z_{2}=\left(e_{0}\right)_{2}+B_{1}-B_{2} \tag{3B}
\end{align*}
$$

The term $C$ is the (zero signal) off-zero term at the output of the multiplier. It includes the subtractor zero and also any d-c unbalance present in the cathode followers or between the outputs of the squarelaw stages.

Equation 3 may be expanded into the desired product and three types of error terms by carrying out the indicated operations
$K x y+د=2\left(A_{1}+A_{2}\right) x y$
(A) $+\left(A_{1}-A_{2}\right)\left(x^{2}+y^{2}\right)$
(B) $+2\left(A_{1} z_{1}-A_{2} z_{2}\right) x+2\left(A_{1} z_{1}+A_{2} z_{2}\right) y$
(C) $+A_{1} z_{1}{ }^{2}-A_{2} z_{2}{ }^{2}+C$
square-law error (A)
linear error ( $B$ )
constant error (C)
error terms

A procedure has been devised for systematically eliminating these error terms in a convergent manner. Some method of observing the form of the multiplier output as a function of an input signal is required. Error terms are then eliminated in the order shown in Eq. 4 by the following adjustment routine:
Equating $A_{1}$ and $A_{2}$ cancels the square-law error, Eq. 4A. This is done by setting $y$ to zero and observing the form of the output as a function of $x$ as $A$ is varied. When the plot is a straight line $A_{1}$ and $A_{2}$ are equal.

The next two steps eliminate the
linear error terms, Eq. 4B, by setting $B_{1}$ and $B_{2}$ so that $z_{1}=z_{2}=0$. The conditions for this are found from simultaneous solution of Eq. $3 A$ and $3 B$ to be

$$
\begin{equation*}
B_{1}=-\left(e_{0}\right)_{1}+\left(e_{0}\right)_{2} / 2 \tag{5A}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
B_{2}=-\left(e_{0}\right)_{1}-\left(e_{0}\right)_{2} / 2 \tag{5B}
\end{equation*}
$$

The order in which $B_{1}$ and $B_{2}$ are adjusted is of no consequence.

The term $B_{1}$ is adjusted to the criterion of Eq. 5A by setting $y$ to zero and observing the form of the output as a function of $x$ as $B_{1}$ is varied. The observed output, $\Delta$, will be a constant for the proper adjustment of $B_{1}$.

The term $B_{2}$ is adjusted in a similar manner by setting $x$ to zero and observing the form of the output, $\Delta$, as a function of $y$, while varying $B_{2}$. The output will again be a constant for the proper adjustment of $B_{2}$ to the criterion of Eq. 5B.

The final step is to adjust $C$ so that the multiplier output is at zero potential with respect to ground when the input terms are zero.

## Performance Limitations

Accuracy of the present multiplier stays within close limits for input signals up to a certain level and gradually deteriorates as the inputs get larger in a manner similar to gradual overloading. The error appears to be produced principally by variable current flow between deflection plates and cathode of the square-law tubes, that occurs when the deflection plates exceed a certain positive potential with re-
spect to the cathode. The IR drops produced in the sum-and-difference network by these changes in current are equivalent to shifts of the centering voltage adjustments from their original settings and introduce corresponding errors.

The ideal remedy is to modify the tube design to minimize the deflection currents. It is possible that some of the other developmental square-law tubes already built possess improved characteristics in this respect. Short of this, more accurate multiplier performance is attainable with the same square-law tubes by finding operating conditions with lower deflection currents. Reducing the impedance levels at the inputs to the square-law stages (sum-and-difference network) also improves performance. Inverters with higher output power ratings would then be required to maintain the original amount of drive.

Frequency response is at present limited by the bandwidths of the plug-in amplifiers. The QK-329 square-law tubes have been successfully operated from d-c to vhf. They contributed no measurable phase shift to the over-all multiplier phase shift mentioned in the previous section on performance. Increases in multiplier frequency response of 100-to-1 over the present model could thus be made before the square-law tubes offered a direct obstacle to such improvements. For efficient design, a multiplier with two identical inputs should have a differential amplifier at its output with twice the bandwidth of the input.


FIG. 3-Schematic of complete multiplier whose performance is primarily limited by circuitry rather than the square-law tubes


FIG. 4-Plot of multiplier characteristics. $Z-K X Y$, using square-law tubes

## Stability

Multiplier drift is primarily zero drift of the output circuits. If the maximum-output signal level were increased to make full use of the capabilities of the differential amplifier, the percent drift would be improved. Use of drift-stabilized amplifiers would also help.

The square-law stages of the present multiplier contribute only 12 percent of the observed overall long-term drift at the multiplier output or approximately 0.12 percent of maximum output. The differential output of the multiplier circuit provides a degree of inherent discrimination against the effects of drift that could result from changes in total current in the square-law tubes.

Sizeable increases in bandwidth, accuracy and zero stability are achievable with existing square-law tubes by improving the associated circuitry. Square-law tubes of the general type employed, therefore, provide a nucleus around which considerable forward progress in analog multipliers can be made.

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Main control room showing use of special dual-beam oscilloscopes. Accelerator ope:ator is laoking af the frequency monitoring scope (above left hand). Bevatron employs practical self-tuning system

# Generating R-F Energy 

Radio-frequency field of proton synchrotron accelerates protons from 10 -mev linear accelerator to an energy level of 6 billion electron volts. Proton beam is kept at constant radius of travel by a feedback circuit that increases the magnetic field as the particles are subjected to increased accelerating potentials

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PROTONS are received from a linear accelerator at 10 mev and a reasonable percentage of these are further accelerated by a proton synchrotron to a final energy of greater than 6 bev .

The particles are kept at a nominally constant radius of 600 inches by a magnetic field. For a given energy and radius there is only one value of magnetic field that will keep the protons from spiraling inward or outward. As the particle energy increases the magnetic field must also be increased. The increase in particle energy is obtained by passing the proton bunch
through a drift tube that is excited with an $r$-f accelerating potential

As the bunch makes one revolution per r-f cycle, it receives a small acceleration each revolution and hence a small increase in energy and velocity. The orbit length is nominally constunt, hence there must be a slight increase in the frequency of the accelerating potential each time the particles are accelerated, as well as an increase in the magnetic field.

Since the magnet excitation equipment is large and not economically suited to wide control on a rapid basis, the magnetic field is
allowed to build up in a manner determined by the characteristics of the magnet excitation equipment and the magnet itself. The r-f is then forced to follow the increasing magnetic field. The relation between the r-f and the magnetic field is

$$
f=2.497\left[1+(2.056 / E)^{2}\right]^{-1 / 2}
$$

where $f=r-f$ in megacycles per second and $B=$ magnetic field in kilogauss.

## System Operation

Figure 1 shows a simplified diagram of the bevatron. The north


Primary frequency generator uses what is basically a groundedanode Colpitts circuit


Inside r-f house, north tank. Cylindrical unit is final amplifier, surrounded by inductor boxes

## for 6-BEV Bevatron

or acceleration tank contains the drift tube. The drift tube is nominally ten electrical degrees long; with an equilibrium phase angle of 30 deg, approximately 12 kv peak r-f would be enough to supply the required energy increase ( 1.7 kev) per turn. Experiments with a quarter-scale model indicated better performance with approximately twice the required threshold value. Forty kv was chosen as the design figure to allow a generous margin.
The magnet coils are excited by a twin motor-generator, rectifierinverter system. With motors requiring $5,400 \mathrm{kw}$, a peak energy storage of 80 megajoules is obtainable in the magnetic field. Thus, at 10 pulses per minute, the Q ( $2 \pi$ times the ratio of maximum energy stored to energy dissipated per cycle) of the bevatron magnet system is sixteen. Frequency as a function of magnet current is shown in Fig. 2 while Fig. 3 shows the accuracy required of the r-f system as a function of frequency. How closely the equation is adhered to
depends upon how much beam may be lost due to r-f inaccuracy. The beam is subject to various types of comparatively low-frequency oscillations in radial, vertical and orbital directions. At injection, radial oscillations are large and their amplitude reduces as the field increases. At injection, nearly the full fourfoot aperture is usable (the proper magnetic field distribution keeps the beam focused).

However, the useful aperture reduces considerably at high fields, owing to saturation of the magnet, and moves radially outwards. The difference between the amplitude of the radial oscillations and the useful aperture is roughly the amount of radial error permissible.

## R-F System

A block diagram of the bevatron r-f system is shown in Fig. 4.

The primary frequency generator ( pfg ) receives information about the magnetic field in terms of current shunted from the magnet windings. This constitutes approximately 95 percent of
the frequency-determining information; the other five percent is a flexibly programmed current-derived signal. The circuit makes the output frequency virtually independent of vacuum-tube parameters provided the tubes are in reasonably good condition. The output is nominally 15 volts peak into a 93 -ohm coaxial cable.

Although the input signal from the pfg is nominally 10 volts peak, the driver unit, essentially a scaleddown version of the final amplifier, operates satisfactorily with from 8 to 20 valts peak input. The driver must amplify the input signal to a $2,000-v$ peak level. The effective driver load is the nominal 600uuf input capacitance associated with the final amplifier. Grid power required by the final amplifier is 20 kva rms at 2.5 mc . To supply this economically, the final amplifier input capacitance is antomatically resonated with a variable inductance, allowing the output stage of the driver unit to be a class $C$ amplifier.

The final amplifier stage uses a


FIG. 1-Simplified plan view of 6-billion electron volt accelerator
shield-grid triode, an A2332S. This tube was chosen for its ample reserve of power-handling ability.
The 400 - цu.f capacitance of the drift tube is resonated with an automatically adjusting inductance. With $40-\mathrm{kv}$ peak voltage at 2.5 mc , there is 2.5 megavolt amperes peak within the system, maintained by a plate power-supply input of less than 50 kw .

## Primary Frequency Generator

The heart of the pfg is the fre-quency-determining circuit. (Fig. 5). The important element therein is the main inductor consisting of two toroids each wound on a ferroceramic ${ }^{2}$ core, $\frac{5}{8}$ inch i.d., 1 inch o.d., and $\frac{1}{4}$ inch thick. Each toroid is wound with 32 turns and when the two are connected in series they constitute an inductance that may be varied from a nominal 1,000 microhenries to 1.1 h . The toroids are arranged so that induced signals between the saturating and r-f circuits buck out thus minimizing magnetic coupling. In addition, a
double electrostatic shield prevents any appreciable electric coupling. The unit is mounted coaxially with the shunted current system leads and is oil-insulated for 30 kv .
The main inductor core material was chosen because of its ability to produce a nearly linear fre-quency-versus-saturation current characteristic, matching the beginning of the curve of Fig. 2. The amount of current diverted from the main magnet influences the rate of saturation. Hence, the initial slope of the frequency-current functions may be matched. A third winding on the main inductor, the bias winding, is utilized to impose approximately five reverse ampere turns.

As the magnet current rises the inductance increases, until the residual magnet, and bias ampere turns balance; then the frequency rises with the magnet current's further rise. Varying the bias current thus translates the frequencycurrent function, allowing a close match of Fig. 2.

To match the sharp knee and the slowly changing frequency portion, the shaper inductor is used as a relatively fixed inductance. The frequency remains relatively constant as the main inductor saturates so that its inductance is small compared to the shaper inductor. The shape of the knee and the flat frequency portion are approximated by choosing the proper value of resonating capacitance and shaper inductance.

## Curve Corrector

Because it is not practical to obtain a match to the required curve with the necessary precision with magnet-current information only, there is provision for modulating the bias supply (effective at low frequencies) and the shaper inductor (effective at high frequencies) with a curve corrector. The curve corrector allows a manual adjustment of roughly 5 percent to be made at about 30 current-determined points with a smooth transition from point to point.

The greatest amount of accuracy is needed near injection. Hence,


FIG. 2-Accelerating potential irequency plotted as a function of total magnet current
a good match of Fig. 2 may be obtained with virtually no manual correction needed. In the region of the knee of Fig 3, the tolerance allowed is greatest, the match is most difficult and the manual correction utilized is large. Towards the end of acceleration, the tolerance becomes tighter, and the manual correction necessary is less than at the knee, owing to a better match.

## Ferroceramic

The stability of the pfg is largely limited by the ferroceramic-cored inductor. Temperature, history, hysteresis, rate of saturation and r-f
level are the main factors. Temperature effects are adequately controlled by a $30-\mathrm{deg}$ oil bath held to closer than 0.1 deg C . History effects are rendered negligible after three saturation cycles if the beginning of the cycle is held consistent to 0.1 ampere turns and if the high end is always at least 50 percent of full ampere turns. The bias ampere turns are in excess of remanence. Each saturation cycle thus passes through zero core flux initiating the same hysteresis loop each cycle.

The ferroceramic used has large values of permeability and dielectric constant, hence a low velocity of propagation through the cores. The cores are small enough that


FIG. 3-Frequency tolerance of the radio-frequency system
at normal bevatron pulse rates the saturation of the core is rateindependent.

The r-f level is held constant to within better than $\frac{1}{2}$ volt of the 10 volt peak operating level to keep the r-f field from significantly influencing the saturation cycle. The aircore inductors and the capacitors were chosen on the basis of high stability and Q.

## Oscillator

The oscillator circuit (Fig. 5) was developed to maintain the high degree of repeatability of the frequency-saturation cycle independent of the vacuum-tube parameters. The system basically is a grounded-anode Colpitts circuit.

The boot-strap arrangement was adopted to hold the lower cathode follower's plate voltage approximately constant by the upper cathode follower, thus obtaining the desirable characteristics of a screen-grid-tube cathode follower with the reliability of a triode. In addition, the triode is much less susceptible to stray magnetic fields.

The grounded-anode circuit arranges the tube's input capacitance to a minimum. Variation in input
capacitance from tube to tube and within a tube's normal life is thus negligible compared to the approximately $200 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ of the frequencydetermining circuit.

Feedback resistor $R_{1}$ is made as large as possible to provide isolation from the small variations in output impedance of $V_{2}$. The maximum value of $R_{1}$ is determined by the minimum value of shunt impedance of the frequency-determining circuit, the relative values of $C_{1}$ and $C_{2}$, and the gain of cathode follower $V_{\text {g }}$. Resistor $R_{1}$ is close to a maximum when $C_{2}$ and $C_{2}$ are equal.

To keep the oscillator operating linearly and to preserve a constant $r$-f amplitude at the ferroceramic cores, a diode limiter $V_{1}$ is used. Although there is some theoretical advantige in splitting the feedback resistor $R_{1}$ and regulating a diode clamp to hold the r-f output voltage constant by sampling the oscillator level with a detector, tests demonstrated the direct clamp $V_{1}$ has a tolerably small effect on the frequency and is simpler. The frequency sensitivity of the ferroceramic to r-f voltage was an order of magnitude larger than the frequency shift due to a direct diode


FIG. 4-Block diagram of the bevatron radio-frequency system. Output frequency is virtually independent of vacuum-tube parameters
clamp. The additional complexity of a drive-regulation system might in practice produce a larger frequency error than the simple direct clamp system. A regulator tube holds the clamp voltage constant in spite of varying clamp conditions. The required stability is achieved if the r-f is held to within $\frac{1}{2}$ volt of the 10 -volt peak level.

The parasitic suppression resistors, coupling capacitors and out-put-line driving transformers were designed to provide adequate band pass for the required frequency range. However, they will not provide unnecessary bandwidth for possible noise response. The output transformers are doubly electrostatically shielded to provide' good isolation of the ground potential differences that exist throughout the bevatron building.

## Automatic Tuning

When an r-f amplifier operates into a highly reactive load, a considerable saving in power may be obtained by resonating the reactive load so that the amplifier need supply r-f current only for the lossy elements of the system. This
is normally done where operation is confined to a relatively narrow band of frequencies. Where a broad band of operating frequencies is simultaneously involved, the uneconomical wide-band amplifier must be used.

When there is essentially only a narrow band of frequencies present at any one time within the wide possible operating band, a tuned amplifier may be used. However, it must be in tune and the additional complexity of the tuning mechanism must be economically justifiable.

## Power Requirements

The frequency range and rate of change of the bevatron are such as to allow a practical self-tuning system to be used. Total driver-unit power input is 8 kw . With wideband amplifiers, 30 kw of plate power supply alone would be required, as well as much bigger tubes than the two $4-400 \mathrm{~A}$ driver-output amplifiers.

The final amplifier and associated self-tuning equipment require a total of about 75 kw instead of roughly 1.5 megawatts of plate


FIG. 5-Simplified schematic of primary frequency generatos
supply alone for a broadband system.

## Final Amplifier

A simplified diagram of the final amplifier is shown in Fig. 6. The inductance used to resonate the drift tube and stray capacitance is composed of four stacks of 20 inductors each. Each inductor contains ten ferroceramic core toroids, nominally $1 \frac{3}{4}$ inch i.d., $2 \frac{1}{2}$ inch o.d. and one inch thick with a rectangular cross section. These ten cores are enclosed by five turns of silverplated machined copper so that there is nominally $\frac{1}{8}$ inch uniform spacing between turns all around the inductor. The five-turn winding serves as both the r-f and saturation winding. The resistance of the 9,600 silver-to-silver bolted joints is small compared with the total resistance of 22 milliohms.
Each stack of inductors is arranged in a lucite box to provide forced oil cooling. In addition, the physical arrangement minimizes stray capacitance and residual inductance. Each inductor is capable of a nominal range of $1.25 \mu \mathrm{~h}$ saturated to 1 mh unsaturated. At the lowest frequency (about 250 kc ), with the present oil-flow system capable of removing 75 watts per core, each inductor can safely handle 2 kv peak continuously without exceeding the Curie temperature of 140 deg C .

The shield-grid triode is tapped in between the seventh and eighth inductors in each stack thus operating at a 14 -kv peak level. The stacks are 20 inductors high to allow a $40-\mathrm{kv}$ peak output level and four stacks are used in parallel to obtain the required inductance. The stacks are in parallel for $r$-f and in series for d-c. Less than 1,000 amperes is required to cover the range.

## Saturation Supply

The 1,000 -ampere saturation power supply, Fig. 7, within its dynamic range, has a time constant of the order of a microsecond. Each phase of the input three-phase transformer has its secondary connected in series with each corresponding primary of the load transformer. All three phases, consisting of series pairs of source


FIG. 6-Final circuit diagram
secondary and load primaries, are connected in delta. Under these conditions, ideally, no power can be delivered to the load. A bridge rectifier system, using 869B's is connected to the junctions at the delta corners and the 5771 control tube acts as a load on the rectifier. If the rectifier were a perfect short, the delta corners would all be at the same potential, changing connection effectively from series delta to parallel wye connections of pairs of source secondaries and load primaries. Thus the single control tube, with the 869B's acting as commutators, effectively controls the amount of polyphase power deliverable to the load. The load transformer output is connected to a 25 -volt 1,000 -ampere selenium rectifier system.
To improve the high-frequency response of the system, a booster transformer is connected with its primary in series with the controltube plate circuit and the secondary in series with the output of the selenium rectifier. With the bucking supply, control amplifiers and feedback system, the unit regulates current from 0 to $1,000 \mathrm{amp}$.
The 6BN6 phase detector receives an in-phase fraction of the final amplifier grid signal for application to the last gate grid. The


FIG. 7-Saturation supply regulates current from 0 to 1,000 amperes
first gate grid receives a quadrature square wave obtained by capacitance coupling from the drift tube to the IN56A clamping diodes.

## Drift Tube

When drift tube potential is 180 deg out of phase with the final amplifier grid signal, the grids of the 6BN6 are in quadrature placing the phase detector in the center of its range. If the drift tube signal is other than 180 deg with respect to the final amplifier grid signal, the 6BN6 gate grids will overlap to a greater (less than 180 deg ) or lesser (more than 180 deg ) extent. This changes the average voltage delivered through the 12AY7 to the 6SH7 amplifier.

In normal operation, the primary frequency generator continuously delivers a signal to the driver. The output stage of the driver is platemodulated with a series regulatortube system. Until the r-f on signal is delivered, the drive to the final amplifier is too low to cause conduction due to fixed bias. However, $\mathrm{d}-\mathrm{c}$ plate voltage is always present on the final amplifier, because r-f on the drift tube would be detrimental to beam-injection.
Under these conditions, the selftracking output stage of the driver is tracking with a low-level output.
ready to provide full drive with the arrival of the r -f on signal. However, the phase detector for the final amplifier is not operating properly due to the lack of a signal from the drift tube. The $5687-6 \mathrm{AL5}$ regulated clamp system clamps the phase-detector signal to the satura-tion-supply input-control amplifier 6SH7 so that the correct current will be flowing in the final amplifier reactors when the r-f on signal arrives. The phase detector takes over quickly and the signal on the drift tube locks in proper phase in the order of a millisecond after the r-f on signal. R-f builds up on the drift tube within $30 \mu \mathrm{sec}$.
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# Infrared Speeds Erasure 


#### Abstract

Aluminum-backed screen absorbs infrared radiation from tungsten filament to provide complete erasure of saturated traces in 2 to 5 seconds. Screen is sufficiently sensitive to record transients in single sweep


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Potassium chloride (KCL) has been found to be the most suitable scotophor, or screen material, for practical dark-trace tubes. When bombarded with an electron beam the peak of the optical absorption band produced by color, or F centers, in KCL occurs in the green region of the visible spectrum at approximately $5,600 \mathrm{~A}$. The regions of a KCL screen which contain these color centers appear magenta since green light is absorbed, while red and blue light are diffusely reflected.

## Background Theory

The F-centers are attributed to electrons which are trapped in vacant chlorine ion sites within the regular crystal structure. In the writing process internal secondary electrons are released in the crystals by the beam of primary electrons. The secondary electrons, chiefly from chlorine ions, may be trapped by the net positive fields of anion vacancy sites within the crystal, with the formation of F-centers. The chlorine ion which has lost an electron is trapped in the vicinity of a potassium ion vacancy site.

Random thermal agitation can temporarily ionize F-centers. However, F-centers are eliminated only when the trapped electrons are returned to the chlorine holes from which they came. To facilitate their return the KCL must be exposed to 5,600 A light and the F-centers made unstable by thermal agitation. This process is called erasure.

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FIG. l-Scotophor deposited on mica sheet ( $A$ ) has aluminum and carbon. black backing to absorb inirared radiation. Complete tube assembly (B) shows position of erasure filament

Early tubes were erased by exposing the tube face to intense white light. A portion of the radiant energy was converted into heat in the screen, thus accelerating the decay of F-centers. Because of the large thermal capacity of the faceplate the erasure time was of the order of minutes. In later tubes, shorter erasure times were obtained by placing the scotophor on a substrate of lower thermal capacity such as a sheet of thin glass or clear mica having a coating of tungsten. The tungsten was heated by passing a current through it.

Attempts have been made to heat the KCL film with cathode rays. In this type of erasure system, a thin
substrate screen is backed with a metallic aluminum layer. A sharplyfocussed electron beam is used for writing. For erasure the beam is defocussed to cover the entire screen and beam current is increased to heat the screen to the point of erasure. Such a tube is simple in structure, but it is difficult to design an electron gun that can produce a well-defined writing beam and can also furnish a high density (but of uniform current density) beam.

In a modified form of electronbombardment erasure an aluminum coated mica substrate screen is used with an oxide-coated filament mounted in zig-zag fashion at a distance of approximately two inches from the screen. The emission current generates sufficient heat in the aluminum backing to give a 10 -sec erasure time.

In the construction of this tube the aluminum layer must be opaque to the 500 -volt erasure-beam. Any penetration of the aluminum film by the beam produces changes in the KCL film, mainly by the release of chlorine gas. High gas currents can cause erasure-filament burnout. Even if burnout does not occur, the intense ion bombardment of the erasure filament results in slumping emission.

## Infrared Erasure

In a tube designed to overcome some of the shortcomings of the electron-bombardment erasure types, the scotophor is deposited on a thin mica substrate as shown in Fig. 1A. Erasure is effected by

# of Dark-Trace Tubes 



FIG. 2-Divider circuits for elimination of erasure-filament shadow during writing in conventional operation ( $A$ ) and with post-deflection acceleration (B). Switches are shown in write position. For erasure $S_{1}$ would be open and $S_{2}$ closed
radiant energy to eliminate direct electron bombardment of the screen other than that employed in the writing process.

Radiation erasure depends upon the fact that polar salts, such as KCL, have strong absorption bands in the far infrared region. The Fcenters are ionized and kept that way under long-wave infrared radiation. While the released electrons are in the conduction band of energy levels, the metallic nature of the salt at this time gives rise to an additional absorption of radiant energy. This additional absorption in regions containing a concentration of F-centers is sufficient to heat
the scotophor to the point of complete erasure.

The general structure of the tube is shown in Fig. 1B. The long-wave infrared radiator is a thin deposited layer of aluminum. The aluminum radiator is heated by radiant energy from a tungsten filament mounted behind the screen. Absorption of radiant energy is facilitated by a thin deposit of carbon black. Erasure time for tubes using this composite erasure device is determined mainly by the time it takes the radiator to reach a temperature of 80 to 90 deg C. Erasure requires 2 to 5 seconds for saturated traces. Useful contrast is achieved in this


Zig-zag erasure filament is mounted on hangers about 2 inches from screen
tube with a final-anode or screen potential of 8 kv and above. Normal screen potential is 10 to 14 kv . During the writing cycle, the shadow of the erasure filament is eliminated by making the filament slightly more positive than the screen. When operating the screen at 14 kv , the erasure filament must be 300 to 600 volts more positive. The normal way of achieving these potentials is by a voltage divider as shown in Fig. 2A. In this case, the bleeder current, $i_{1}$, should be made appreciable compared to the maximum beam current, $i_{3}$, to reduce the erasure filament-to-screen voltage variation with signal.

A post-deflection acceleration curcuit is shown in Fig. 2B. Anode voltage is 10 kv and final screen voltage is 14 kv . The erasure filament is maintained slightly negative with respect to the screen. Thus, a voltage-divider network drawing very little current can be used to obtain operating voltages.

## Other Applications

Although designed primarily as a radar indicator, this tube can be used in other applications. In industrial radiography an x-ray image could be produced by synchronizing the writing beam with a collimated x-ray beam and modulating the tube grid voltage in accordance with x-ray intensity.

In a similar manner, semipermanent recordings of the optical image of translucent objects can be obtained by using a flying-spot scanner. The screen sensitivity of this tube is high enough to record single transients with the images retained long enough for detailed study.

The development of the darktrace cathode-ray tubes described in this article was done under the auspices of the Navy Bureau of Ships.

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## Resonant Loop Antenna

Interference sources are located within $\pm 5$ degrees with signal-to-noise ratios as low as 10 db . Construction provides low mechanical inertia and good structural stability required for mobile applications. Can be used either with receiver or field-intensity meter


Antenna and amplifier assembly; amplifier unit is mounted against rool of truck and antenna is screwed into place through a $160-\mathrm{mc}$ mobile antenna mounting hole

Mobile communications in the vhf spectrum are subject to interference from intermittent radiating sources such as industrial and medical r-f heating devices, high-voltage leakage discharge and reradiated intermodulation interference. Such sources are usually difficult to locate as they often contain no identifying modulation characteristic.

Directional antennas provide a means for locating such interference sources. Multielement antennas with sufficient directivity are unwieldly, and therefore unsuited for mobile direction-finding use, especially in the lower portion of the vhf spectrum. The shortduration sporadic nature of frequently encountered interference sources often requires use of direc-tional-antenna systems with low mechanical inertia in order that bearings can be obtained rapidly.

The unit to be described permits
rapid bearing measurements in the ange of 30 -to- $40-\mathrm{mc}$ when used with a mobile $a-m$ or $f-m$ communications receiver or standard field-intensity meter. Bearing resolution is approximately $\pm 5$ degrees with threshold signal-to-noise ratios in the order of 10 db . For more favorable signal-to-noise conditions, resolution approaches $\pm 2$ degrees.

## Antenna Characteristics

Loop antennas with diameters on the order of one-tenth wavelength or less exhibit a figure-eight directional characteristic. The radiation resistance of a single-turn loop of this size is approximately $2.5 \mathrm{ohms}^{1}$.

The effectiveness of a loop in extracting energy from an electromagnetic field is a function of its effective length. The effective length in meters of a single-turn loop ${ }^{2}$ is

$$
\begin{equation*}
l_{\text {loop }}=2 \pi A / \lambda \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $A$ is loop area in square meters and $\lambda$ is wavelength in meters.
The effective length of a half-wave dipole ${ }^{3}$ is

$$
\begin{equation*}
l_{\mathrm{dipole}}=\lambda / \pi=0.32 \lambda \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

For comparison, the ratio of these equations yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
l_{\text {dipole }} / l_{\text {loop }} \cong 0.05 \lambda^{2} / A \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

At 30 mc , a half-wave dipole is approximately 40 times more effective than a single-turn loop 16 inches in diameter ( $1 / 25$ wavelength).

A 16-inch loop structure appears to be a practical size for mobile and portable use at 30 mc when wind loading and portability are considered. An additional maxi-mum-diameter limitation is discussed later.

A loop with perfect electrostatic shielding is responsive only to the magnetic component of a vertically polarized electromagnetic field. A discontinuity in the shield must be provided to prevent the magneticfield lines from being terminated by induced shield currents. With a discontinuity the shield has a negligible effect upon the magnetic field acting upon the loop.

Since the loop is symmetrical about a vertical axis, the vertical magnetic component of a horizontally polarized wave will produce zero net loop current.

## Single-Turn Loop

Figure 1 shows the equivalent circuit of the single-turn unshielded loop where $e$ is output terminal voltage, $R^{\prime}$ is radiation resistance plus r-f resistance of a single loop of wire, $L$ is loop induc-

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tance and $e_{0}$ is induced voltage $=$ $E_{\circ} \times l_{\text {loop }}$ in which $E_{o}$ is the field intensity in volts per meter.

The equivalent circuit of the antenna with capacitance added to form a resonant circuit is shown in Fig. 1B. At resonance, $\omega_{L} \cong 1 / \omega c$ and the circulating current, $i_{c}$, is $e_{0} / R^{\prime}$.
From this, the output terminal voltage is

$$
\begin{equation*}
e\}=i_{c} / \omega C=e_{o} / \omega C R^{\prime}=e_{o} Q^{\prime} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $Q^{\prime}$ is effective circuit $Q$.
In practice, an electrostatic shield is used to obtain a uniform loop conductor-to-ground capacitance, which is independent of loop orientation. The shield also serves


FIG. 1-Equivalent circuit (A) of loop antenna and loop with capacitance added (B) to form resonant circuit
to eliminate antenna effect. Equation 4 is therefore only approximate, since the shield forms an added distributed capacitance around the loop. This equation also neglects the shunt admittance presented by the amplifier driven by the resonant loop.

The increased gain of a resonant loop over a nonresonant loop thus becomes evident. For a resonant loop the induced voltage multiplied by $Q^{\prime}$ appears at the output.

A more exact analysis would include the effect of induced shield currents mutually coupled to the loop conductor. ${ }^{4}$ However, the circuit impedance around a discontinuous untuned shield is very large and the loop terminal voltage is only negligibly affected by the presence of such a shield.

## Loop Balancing

To obtain a symmetrical accurate directivity response to vertically polarized fields, the loop must be balanced with respect to ground and surrounding objects. This is accomplished by an electrostatic loop shield and balanced-output termination. The loop amplifier is shown in Fig. 2. The circuit employs a push-pull amplifier to provide the required balanced loop termination and at the same time providing the necessary impedance transformation to an unbalanced 50 -ohm output. The neutralized triodes yield a low amplifier noise figure.

The loop and associate amplifier provide a measured maximum re-sponse-voltage gain of 8 db over a standard dipole. Tuning range is 30 to 40 mc . The directivity re-

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Method of mounting amplifier under roof of car


Amplifier subchassis has shafts of twogang capacitors coupled together for luning in range of 30 to 40 mc
sponse to a vertically polarized source is shown in Fig. 3. The measured half-power bandwidth of the instrument is 400 kc .

## Loop Construction

Details of the loop construction are shown in Fig. 4. Maximum loop diameter consistent with a $10-\mathrm{mc}$ tuning range is about 13 inches. The diameter is limited by the amount of added shield capacitance that can be tolerated as loop size is increased. Increasing the inside shield diameter would decrease the shield capacitance and permit use of a somewhat larger loop.

Sliding tubular collars of copper can be added to each end of the shield at the top to permit precise adjustment of shield symmetry ${ }^{5}$. Poor symmetry is exhibited when true and reciprocal bearings are not separated by exactly 180 degrees. Care in physical construction of the loop will obviate the need for


FIG. 2-Push-pull amplifier provides balanced input for direction-finding antenna along with unbalanced 50 -ohm output to coaxial line
installing these tubular collars.
The photographs show the amplifier subchassis and complete prototype with self-contained batteries and loop assembly. The loop assembly is inserted through a 160 mc mobile-antenna mounting hole in the vehicle roof. A circular metal stiffening plate forms a bearing surface for the loop-assembly collar.

The amplifier is connected from the inside of the truck by a UG-102/U connector and a set screw in the amplifier support bracket. The amplifier output connects to the mobile receiver or fieldintensity meter through a 50 -ohm flexible cable. The amplifier and the loop rotate as an integral assembly.

A fixed azimuth scale on the underside of the roof and a pointer on the amplifier assembly indicate loop orientation with respect to vehicle heading.

Bearing null indication can be obtained from the rectified detector output of an a-m receiver or the grid current in an unsaturated limiter stage in an f-m receiver.

## Locating Techniques

In general, the actual locating of interfering sources is difficult. This is especially true when the source is intermittent or characterized by wide and sporadic changes in frequency.

The situation is further complicated by the possibility of nonunt-
form radiation fields at bearingmeasurement sites. Multipath transmission resulting from reflections generally yields erroneous bearing indications. Wave arrivals other than directly from the source produce a composite received field. The loop is responsive to the resultant vector sum of these components. Thus, the bearing will appear to be along some line between the directions of arrival of the direct and reflected waves.

Presence of energy from reflecting sources near the receiving location can be detected by checking for variations in signal amplitude as the vehicle is moved along a line in


FIG. 4-Cross-section of antenna. Shield is discontinuous at top and bottom


FIG. 3-Directivity pattern of resonant loop in region of 30 to 40 mc
the direction of the indicated bearing. The bearing measurement site should be on flat ground which contains no obstructions within a radius of 100 yards or more from the loop.

The presence of reflecting and reradiating sources near the interference source is more difficult to establish. The distance between signal maxima and minima along the line of the bearing may be large and therefore difficult to detect.

When nearing radiating sources in built-up urban areas, the loop may prove useless due to severe nearby reflections and reradiation from wire lines propagating the interference. Use of an omnidirectional antenna may prove more desirable under these conditions. Changes in mean signal amplitude then indicate the proximity of the interfering source.

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Alignment chart permits solution for insertion loss, reactance and frequency values of nonmatching pi-section radio-frequency interference filters employed in transmission systems of 50 -ohm (resistive) characteristic impedance

THIS design chart is based upon a theoretical analysis of the indicated circuit when evaluated in accordance with MIL-STD-220. The chart is also valid if the series element is an antiresonant circuit or self-resonant choke. In this case apparent inductance values should be used and the antiresonant frequency becomes an upper frequency limit.
Preparation of the chart is based upon a peculiar relation-
ship between the parameters over a restricted range of values. Extrapolation is thus unwarranted without previous verification.

The chart is a composite of a nomograph relating inductance and insertion loss to an intermediate function (plotted on the dummy axis) and a graph relating the intermediate function to frequency and capacitance. The graph is derived by calculation from the theoretical results. The result is in effect a double-align-
ment chart. Examples show use.
Line $A B C$ indicates that $50-\mathrm{db}$ insertion loss may be attained at 10 mc with a circuit in which $L$ equals 50 h and $C$ equals 1,000 u.f. Line $A^{\prime} B^{\prime} C^{\prime}$ shows that the circuit constants of the first solution will yield $20-\mathrm{db}$ insertion loss at 2 mc .

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## Air Force Scientists Plot Static Direction in D-Layer Study



Sextuple goniometer driven synchronously records noise or signals at various frequencies. Loop antennas complete a revolution every 15 minutes

USING RADIO signals from Navy low-frequency station NSS to check direction-finding equipment, members of the Ionospheric Laboratory, Air Force Cambridge Research

Center are trying to correlate data with atmospheric and extraterrestrial phenomena.

Main interest is study of the D-layer, the lowest stratum of the
ionosphere. By using lightning discharges as transmitters of lowfrequency electromagnetic energy, it is possible to make observations of height, electric-charge density and formation and deformation of the D-layer with respect to time.

In the experimental station at Fourth Cliff, Scituate, Mass., are six loop antennas about 3 feet in diameter. These loops are driven synchronously to turn one complete revolution every 15 minutes. Their outputs are connected through receivers to a pen recorder that plots response at various frequencies.

To date, a diurnal variation in static intensity has been noted. Atmospheric noise is highest during the night, probably owing to disappearance of the D-layer. More noise is recorded during the summer months than in the winter.

The recording station is almost completely automatic, being visited only once or twice a week.

## Experimental Light Amplifier Employs Electroluminescence



Two pictures on the same strip of film show beightness increase (left) resulting from light amplification and lantern-slide projection without amplification (right)

The Phenomenon of electroluminescence (which has been put to practical application for the illuminated dial of a commercial radio receiver) forms the basis of a recent demonstration by General Electric engineers and scientists. Ten-fold amplification of ultraviolet light was effected when ten or more
visible photons were emitted for every incident ultraviolet photon.

According to D. A. Cusano, who described field enhanced solid-state luminescence before the American Physical Society at the end of January, large increases in the luminescent brightness of ultraviolet excited or x-ray excited zinc


Special phosphor cell used to effect amplification of light. Ultraviolet photons from a slide projector hit the cell, which reflects visible light. Application of d-c increases intensity
sulfide layers have been observed when these phosphors are subjected to electric fields.

Application of 100 volts d-c across vapor-deposited $\mathrm{ZnS}: \mathrm{Mn}$ films approximately 10 microns thick ( $10^{5}$ volts per centimeter) increases brightness 50 times. Excitation may be either ultraviolet or

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## Millimeter Wave Generator Produces Visible Light

WORKING on a project of the Office of Naval Research at Stanford University Microwave Laboratory, Hans Motz and several associates have generated waves down to 0.16 $\mathrm{mm}(2,000 \mathrm{kmc})$ with power in the order of 10 to 100 milliwatts.

Outgrowth of electron linear accelerator research, the Motz generator comprises an accelerator, undulator and echelette spectrometer. A $2-\mathrm{mev}$ accelerator produces a pulsed beam of electrons about $\frac{1}{8}$ inch in diameter. Traveling nearly the speed of light, these electrons pass into the foot-long undulator.

A rectangular silver waveguide held between 16 steel teeth jutting from the undulator's interior conducts the electrons through its core. These teeth are poles of opposing


Millimeter wave generator produces frequencies betweer those of radio and infrared. New waves might be used for short-distance communications
magnetic fields, all eight of which, alternating in opposite directions, cause the speeding electrons to oscillate at the desired frequency.

Distance between like poles is 40 mm but Lorentz contraction and Doppler effect (owing to the relativistic effect of high speed) cause the effective length of the undulator to shrink to $1 / 50$ th actual size. Wavelength produced is made to shrink to one-fifth so that ultimate wavelength is only $1 / 250$ th of 40 mm .

The echelette spectrometer comprises a grooved aluminum plate and a two-foot aluminum parabolic mirror. The output of the undulator is reflected from the aluminum mirror to the aluminum plate. Angle and depth of the precision grooves cause the desired waves to reflect back to the mirror, while those with undesired characteristics are effectively eliminated.

When a $100-\mathrm{mev}$ beam was employed, visible light was produced.

## Radar and Computer Track Mortar Shells Back to Source

Counteroffensive radar used during a part of the Korean conflict was recently unveiled to the general public by U. S. Army Signal Corps and Sperry Gyroscope Co., manufacturers of the equipment.

Long-used for fire control of military weapons, radar performs a special detection function in the counter-mortar radar set AN/MPQ10 that tracks enemy shells. This tracking information, fed into a computer, reveals the source of the shells.

The radar equipment mounted on a modified gun carriage, can be towed by light Army truck to whatever part of a battleground must be


Counter-mortar radar AN/MPQ-10 is mounted on gun carriage
covered. The system comprises the dish antenna shown, controlled by
automatic tracker, a gas-engine generator and separate remote control console with radarscopes.

Elevation and range computers are mounted on the modified gun carriage. Extension cables permit separation of the tracking unit and controls by at least 100 feet.

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## Portable Analyzer Measures Mobiles

BANDWIDTH of radiotelephone emissions is generally measured approximately. Frequency-modulation signals are usually checked by
operators using devices that read proportionally to the deviation-accurate only on sustained tones -rather than to actual band-
width. Distortion in amplitudemodulated transmitters that are not overmodulated may cause adjacent channel interference as


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$$

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DESIGNED and built by Admiral Corporation engineers, this 30-foot long battery of machines automatically assembles approximately half of the company's vertical chassis for 21 -inch television receivers. Blank printed circuit boards start down the one at the far end.

The assorted resistors and wire jumpers in the eight-tube section are inserted singly, some two at a time and others three at a time. Assembled boards slide down the chute at the lower left.

The employee is showing the bottom side of a printed circuit board (right) and the assembled board with all parts in her other hand. Printed circuit chassis construction results in more uniform production, trouble-free soldering and lower production costs.


FIG. 1-Attenuator and supplementary oscillator extends frequency range of commercial panoramic spectrum analyzer that is used by monitoring officers to check mobile transmitters
objectionable as that produced by overmodulation.

For more exact determination of the bandwidth of actual spectrum occupancy, engineers often use a panoramic display device that shows the extent of side frequencies. By definition, the bandwidths consid-
ered significant in this description include all components of the emission stronger than 25 db below the level of unmodulated carrier. To avoid the complexity of graduating an oscilloscope in db, an attenuator is provided instead at the antenna input terminals of the panoramic device. The attenuator has two positions, 0 and 25 db . Accuracy of level is determined only by the attenuator, so long as all measurements are made at the same point on the oscilloscope scale without changing the gain control between the two settings of the attenuator switch.

The basic instrument scans a region plus or minus 25 kc at 500 kc. An extended frequency range is obtained by adding a local oscillator with a fundamental frequency range between 27 and 70 mc . Harmonics of the oscillator make it possible to obtain operation as high as 200 mc . It is thus possible to use this portable equipment for measurement of true bandwidth of chan-


FIG. 2-Unmodulated carrier ( A ) is frequency modulated (B) with attenuator in. Bandwidth is read (C) with attenuator out. Deviation-limited transmitter has similar bandwidth (D)
nels occupied by land mobile and other radio stations.

Circuit diagrams of the added circuits are shown in Fig. 1. Fundamental range of the oscillator is 27 to 70 mc . Second-harmonic range is 55 to 120 mc and the third harmonic occurs between 85 and

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FIG. 1-Simple potentiometer circuit showing symbols used in design equations
the designer avoids making a full circuit calculation, which would show just how valid the approximation is. Instead, $R$ is chosen to be so low that load $R_{L}$ cannot appreciably affect transmission $T$. This is an easy and fairly safe way to insure that the voltage division is about as planned, but it gives no indication of how small $R$ must be. As a result the potentiometer resistance is often lower than necessary, in consequence loading down the source, wasting power and perhaps aggravating a dissipation problem.

An accurate rule of thumb that gives the maximum permissible potentiometer resistance in terms of the load resistance $R_{L}$ and the allowable loading error $E$ is: resistance $R$ must not exceed $4 E R_{L}$.

The loading error $E$ is defined as the relative amount by which the actual voltage transmission $T$ of the loaded potentiometer falls short of the transmission $T_{0}$ with no connected load, or an infinite $R_{L}$. That is, $E$ is defined as $\left(T_{0}-T\right) / T_{0}$. This quantity is to be evaluated at the potentiometer setting at which the relative loading error is greatest.

As an example, consider a calibrated potentiometer for driving a grid circuit that acts as a resistive load of 50,000 ohms. At the worst setting, the actual voltage attenuation must not differ owing to loading by more than 2 percent from that indicated on the potentiometer dial. In this case, $R_{L}$ is 50,000 ohms and $E$ is 0.02 . Then by the


FIG. 2-Error in voltage transmission in potentiometer caused by load is maximized at halfway point in potentiometer range

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$\sim \frac{T_{0}}{T}=1+\frac{R}{R_{L}} x(1-x)$
If loading is not severe, the second term here must be small with respect to unity. Thus in inverting Eq. 2 to the desired reciprocal form the binomial-theorem approximation can be used to obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{T}{T_{0}}=1-\frac{R}{R_{L}} x(1-x) . \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

The second term of the latter can be identified as the relative loading error $E$. Ignoring its negative sign, the error is

$$
\begin{equation*}
E=-\frac{R}{R_{\mathbf{L}}} x(1-x) . \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

As a function of the setting sariable $x$, the error function, plotted in Fig. 2, is parabolic with a maxmum at $x=\frac{1}{2}$. The error is zero at both extreme settings. For minimal-design, interest exists only in its maximum vale, which is $E=R / 4 R_{L}$. Hence the design rule already stated: $R=4 E R_{\text {L }}$.

As a subsidiary application, a simple calibration formula can be provided for laying out a special scale for a potentiometer used with


FIG. 3-Effect of resistive load on dial calibration of potentiometer


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$$
\begin{equation*}
T=x\left[1-\frac{R}{R_{L}} x(1-x)\right] \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

This has the form shown in Fig. 3, which differs slightly from the dashed straight line that represents the no-load condition.

While the value deveioped for the loading error in this discussion involves an approximation itself, the second-order error thus overlooked is in about the same ratio to the evaluated error $E$ as the latter is to unity.

## New Government Patents

Supplementing a list of patents previously published (Electronics, p 198, Oct. 1954) is "Patent Abstract Series, No. 5, Electrical and Electronic Apparatus" (PB 111468) for sale at $\$ 4$ from Office of Teehnical Services, U. S. Department of Commerce, Washington 25, D. C.

The 1,915 patent abstracts in the new book that are of particular interest to engineers and manufacturers in the field of electronics include those describing radio and navigation apparatus, tubes, computing devices, batteries and telephone and telegraph apparatus.

## Electromechanical <br> Networks For A-C <br> Servosystems

By Charles A. Savant and Clement J. Savant Whittier, California

BECAUSE OF DRIFT in d-c amplifiers, emphasis has been placed on a-c type servo systems. The typical system utilizes an a-c transducer, tuned amplifier with appropriate feedback and a two-phase a-c control motor. In most systems, some

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FIG. l-Servo system using equalization network ( $A$ ) has greater signal-tonoise ratio than demodulation-remodulation system (B)
form of series equalization is necessary for stability. Although much effort has been expended in using bridged or parallel-T networks, there has been little success. The reason for this rests in the low $Q$ of these R-C notch networks, which results in such a large attenuation of the sidebands that the signal-tonoise ratio becomes intolerable. Figure 1A demonstrates a block diagram of a typical system of this type.

Alternately, demodulation and remodulation systems of the type shown in Fig. 1B have been used. The a-c signal is amplified and demodulated with a phase-sensitive demodulator. The d-c signal is series equalized with the desired passive networks and then remodulated.

This article presents a method of complete a-c series equalization by means of electromechanical networks. These networks are reli-


FIG. 2-Electromechanical lead (A) and lag (B) networks are not subject to drift because of their completely $a-c$ character


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Figure 2A shows the block diagram of the electromechanical lead network. Using the notation of this figure, the following expression results

$$
\begin{equation*}
E=e_{o} / A=e_{I N}-\left(K_{m} N^{\prime} e_{o}\right) / s(\tau s+1) \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $s$ is the Laplace transform operator, $K_{m}$ is the motor constant, $N^{\prime}$ is the constant of the potentiometer and $\tau$ is the ratio of the motor and gear-train inertia to the slope of the motor torque curve. The transfer function of the motor is

$$
\begin{equation*}
K_{m} / s(\tau s+1) \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

For large gain, $A$, Eq. 1 reduces to

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{v}=s(\tau \varepsilon+1) / K_{m} N^{\prime} e_{I N} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

For small values of $\tau$ and frequency

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{o}=s / K_{m}^{\prime} N^{\prime} e_{I N} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Thus, in operational notation, $e_{e}$ is proportional to the derivative of $\boldsymbol{e}_{1 N}$

Since the amplifier is tuned and a-c, high-gain is possible with relative ease. Drift is no problem and with appropriate tuning the noise can be appreciably reduced. Reference voltage is provided for proper subtraction at the amplifier input.

The block diagram of the integrator system is shown in Fig. 2B. No feedback is necessary here since the transfer function now is

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{o}=A N^{\prime} K_{m} / s(\tau s+1) e_{I N} \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Again for low frequencies approaching zero, Eq. 5 becomes

$$
\begin{equation*}
e_{o}=\boldsymbol{A} N^{\prime} K_{m} / s \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

This then is the desired expression.
It is possible to use an integrator in a system and produce zero steady-state error. If the integrator is inserted in a loop with feedback, the input to the inte-


FIG. 3-Integrator for electromechanical system can provide a-c or d-c output depending on the signal used to excite the motor-driven potentiometer

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By Cecil E. Williams
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Figure 1 shows the variation of input impedance and voltage gain


FIG. l-Frequency response of transistor amplifier with load matched for maximum power output


FIG. 2-Frequency response of grounded-emitfer amplifier with series emitter resistance
with frequency for a transformercoupled load. The amplifier load was adjusted for maximum power output at 1-millivolt input. The direct current in the transformer primary reduced the low-frequency response and all further tests were made without transformer coupling.
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FIG. 4-Uniformity of characteristics for ten CK 721 transistors
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For retroreflectors, different parts of whose surface are utilized in sending light back in different directions, it is essential to provide uniform illumination across the sample surface. This is achieved by withdrawing the lamp and placing a lens of $2.5-\mathrm{cm}$ focal length in front of it as shown in broken lines in Fig. 1. The lens behind the photocell is replaced by one of $6.9-\mathrm{cm}$ focal length. The same system can also be used on reflectorized materials. The light source is imaged onto the photocell aperture through the two lenses forming a uniform image on the collimator lens. Optimum conditions are achieved if the image of the light source on the plane of the photocell completely fills the hole diameter. The complete instru-


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having special properties the other samples showed negligible variation.

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The reflectometer has been used both in the laboratory and on road signs that have been installed. In the latter case, night observations are straightforward, both on reflectorized material and on retroreflectors; with simple screening, equally reliable results are obtained in daylight.

Acknowledgment is made to C . Maguire and K. S. Sarma, who assisted in the testing of the reflectometer.

## Ion-Gage Supply Protects Tubes

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FIG. 1-Ion-gage supply controls cur. rent to gage-tube filament in relation to gas pressure
ion-gage tube to another are of value. The circuit described in this article was found to be adequate for such applications and to be reliable in its operation over long periods. The filament-emission regulator circuit is a modification of previously reported filament-emission regulators utilizing temperature control ${ }^{1,2,3}$ of the filament.

A schematic diagram of an ion-gage-supply protection circuit is presented in Fig. 1. The power supply for the unit consists of transformer $T_{1}$ and tubes $V_{1}$ through $V_{6}$. This supply provides voltages of $+150,-150$ and -255 volts with vr-tube regulation. A single transformer provides both positive and negative $d-c$ voltages with full-wave rectification.

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ment is regulated against temperature changes of the filament resulting from changes of gas pressure in the ion-gage tube and also fluctuations in line voltage. The fila-ment-emission regulator consists of transformers $T_{s}$ and $T_{5}$ along with tubes $V_{7}, V_{s}$, and $V_{10}$. The regulator is actuated or controlled by the iongage grid current, which passes through $R_{8}$ and $R_{3}$.
A change in ion current will produce a change in the voltage drop across these two resistors and thus a change in the d-c potential appearing at the grids of the balanced difference amplifier $V_{8}$. The amplified d-c signal then is applied to the control grids of $V_{7}$ and $V_{10}$ which in effect, changes the load placed on the secondary windings of $T_{s}$,

This change of impedance is reflected into the primary of $T_{4}$, which is in series with $T_{5}$. Thus, the voltage applied to the filament is altered to correct for the original variation in the ion-gage grid current. The grid current is regulated to within approximately 1 percent for variations in line voltage of $\pm 10$ percent over all ranges of gas pressure normally encountered with an ion-gage tube. In the particular application shown here, resistors $R_{2}$ and $R_{\mathrm{s}}$ were chosen to produce a 155 -volt drop with an ion-gage grid current of 10 ma .

## Adjustment

This causes the signal-input grid of $V_{s}$ to be at or near ground potential under equilibrium conditions. An example of the adjustments in the regulator is given below for the type 1949 ion-gage tube for which this supply was primarily designed. However, it would be easy to adjust this supply to operate properly with almost any ion-gage tube.

The 1949 tube requires a nominal filament voltage of approximately 5 volts. To supply this potential the secondary of $T_{\mathrm{o}}$ is tapped across two 6.3 -volt windings in series. Because of the reduced voltage on the primary of this transformer, the connection gives approximately the required filament voltage.

A milliammeter is placed in the grid lead to the ion-gage tube and a variable transformer is used in the power line leading to the entire unit for the purpose of varying the input voltage. Resistor $R_{z}$ is so
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The ion current of the ion-gage plate passes through a divider which gives scales of sensitivity of $1,3,10,30,100$ and 300 . The circuit is such that there is a maximum of only 1 -volt developed across this divider on any range setting so that the voltage appearing on the ion-gage plate does not deviate appreciably with changing ion currents.

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In the specific case of the type 1949 ion-gage tube, the gain of the amplifier $V_{11}$ and $V_{12}$ can be adjusted so that one volt across it produces full-scale deflection of the meter. When the sensitivity is thus adjusted, full-scale pressure sensitivities of $9 \times 10^{-4}, 3 \times 10^{-4}, 9 \times 10^{-5}$, $3 \times 10^{-5}, 9 \times 10^{-8}, 3 \times 10^{-8}$ millimeters of mercury are obtained. Potentiometer $R_{5}$ is the sensitivity adjustment for the vacuum-tube voltmeter and $R_{6}$ and $R_{7}$ are the coarse and fine meter-zero adjustments respectively. The same d-c signal from the ion-gage collector plate that goes to the vacuum-tube voltmeter is also applied to the control grid of $V_{13}$, a cathode follower, which places it on the shield grid of thyratron $V_{8}$. The cathode-bias voltage on the thyratron is obtained by a bridge rectifier operating off of the filament winding of transformer $T_{1}$. Bias is adjusted on the thyratron so that a signal causing $1 \frac{1}{2}$ times the full-scale reading will cause the thyratron to fire and close relay 2. Cathode follower $V_{13}$ was found necessary to isolate the grid of the thyratron from the collector plate of the ion-gage tube because appreciable currents flowing in this grid circuit caused a false signal to be applied to the vacuum-tube voltmeter. When relay 2 is closed, the 110 -volt a-c is removed from the filament circuit and also the 110 -volt outlet provided on the back of the chassis.

This outlet may be used to pro-


tect other tube filaments in the vacuum system and also may be used to stop the diffusion and forepumps in the event of a leak. Use of pilot lights to indicate the condition of the circuit is desirable when working with systems that have opaque envelopes. If the filament of the ion-gage is visible, the on and off indicator bulbs are unnecessary.

Type 2050 thyratrons can be used without any major circuit changes in place of the 6L6's, which presently are used as the control tubes in the variable impedance. Also, the miniature thyratron 2D21 can be satisfactorily used at this position to produce a circuit consisting entirely of miniature tubes. When thyratron tubes are used as the regulating tubes in the variable impedance, there is an occasional tendency for the filament-emission regulating circuit to oscillate at high-pressure conditions in the ion-gage tube.

Recent work has shown that the 6L6 tubes can be replaced by type 6216 hard miniature tubes, with an improvement in filament-emission regulation. This results in a compact circuit and eliminates the oscillating tendency present when miniature thyratrons are used. When 6216 tubes are used in place of $V_{2}$ and $V_{10}$, transformer $T_{4}$ is replaced by one having a $350-0-350 \mathrm{v}$, 90 ma secondary winding.

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## Reactance Voltage <br> Bias Source

By Frank J. Burris<br>Tacoma, Washington

The reactance-generated bias source shown in the diagram provides an increase in efficiency over the ohmic voltage drop possible in this portion of the circuit at no further expense to the supply source. A two-stage inductively operated filter is shown but a single-stage unit will also function likewise. Po-

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Computing devices differ in function, magnitude and method. In the three computer patents reviewed this month, one application reviews the art and a portion of this information is printed below.

## Electrical Computer

A recent patent for an "Electrical Computer," issued to C. J. Hirsch of Douglaston, N. Y., is assigned the Hazeltine Research Corporation of Chicago, Ill. This patent 2,652,194 reviews the computer art as quoted below:
"One general type of . . . computer, which may be referred to as a digital computer, includes relay machines, punch-card machines and adding and multiplying machines utilizing either mechanical or electronic counting devices. These computers can handle numerical data after the problem has been reduced to a numerical routine susceptible to solution by digital methods, which often requires extensive programming of the operation of the machine.
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which a computation is carried out, but the machine may have to perform a very extensive counting operation to solve even a single algebraic expression. Computers of this type tend to be bulky and cumbersome in operation, particularly when the problem is at all complex.
"Another type of . . . computer may be classified generally as a continuously variable computer. These computers deal with quantities by continuous correlation with mechanical displacements or electrical effects. Tachometer instruments come under this classification. Another example of this type of computer is the resolver, in which a primary winding carrying a voltage the amplitude of which represents a vector is coupled to two secondary windings on a rotor mechanism.
"The rotor is moved in such a way that the coupling of the primary winding to these two secondary windings varies as the sine and cosine respectively of the angular direction of the vector. Thus the amplitudes of the voltages induced in the two secondary windings may represent respectively the components of the vector as projected on the axes of a system of Cartesian co-ordinates.
"Compared with digital computers, the continuously variable computers usually have the advantage of high speed and facility of setting up the computer to solve a given problem, but have the disadvantage that their accuracy tends to be lower. In order to provide a computer of the continuously variable type to solve a particular problem, it is necessary to find an effect which can be made to follow the independent variables involved in the problem continuously with proper tracking and without objectionable backlash or time lag effects.
"Much ingenuity has been exercised to devise mechanical, electrical or electromechanical devices suitable for accomplishing these purposes and for providing a useful indication of the result of the computation. In general, however, each such computer can be used to solve only a very restricted form of problem and hence usually is permanently coupled mechanically


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FIG. 1-Number can be raised to power greater or less than unity in this circuit, which forms portion of new computer design
The invention is devised to provide high-speed solution of equations by the computation of common mathematical relationships involved ; by continuously and rapidly recalculating variable parameters; and by referring, in algebraic computation, all of the independent and dependent variables, represented by voltages, to a convenient reference or datum voltage.

In Fig. 1 there is shown a circuit according to the Hirsch patent in which a number may be raised to a power either greater or less than unity.

The computer comprises a plurality of circuits in the form of energy storage networks such as the reference circuits $A$ and $B$ energized by batteries $E_{1}^{\prime}$ and $E_{1}^{\prime \prime}$ through vac-uum-tube cathode-follower circuits under the control of a timing gen-

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erator. The timing generator operation may be seen from the curves of Fig. 2.

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The bridge is thus rendered conductive for the duration of the triggered pulse. During this interval the voltage of reference circuit $B$ is applied across the resistor in


FIG. 2-Timing generator operation in terms of waveforms
the grid of the vtvm circuit to charge the capacitor in its cathode.

To solve an equation of the form

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y=x^{n}
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batteries $E_{1}{ }^{\prime}$ and $E_{1}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ are adjusted to equal unity on any convenient voltage scale. The inventor shows that there is a relation between the voltages in the system of

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\frac{E_{1}^{\prime \prime}}{E_{2}^{\prime \prime}}=\left(\frac{E_{1}^{\prime}}{E_{2}^{\prime}}\right)^{n}
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so that in the case of adjustment noted above $E_{2}^{\prime \prime}=\left(E_{2}^{\prime}\right)^{n}$; therefore $E_{2}^{\prime \prime}$ is parameter $x$ and $E_{2}^{\prime}$ is parameter $y$.
As an example let $x=0.6$ and $n$ $=2.1$ where $\left(E_{1}{ }^{\prime}\right)=\left(E_{1}{ }^{\prime \prime}\right)=1$.
The time constant of the reference networks $B$ and $A$ are adjusted to the ratio $n=2.1$.
Battery $E_{2}^{\prime}$ is then adjusted to equal 0.6 on the same scale as used for the other adjustments. The value as read on meter $m$ is found to be 0.34 , thus $y(0.34)=x^{n}$ ( $0.6^{2.1}$ ).
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FIG. 3-Blocks showing system for solving an equation ( $A$ ) or finding logarithms to any base (B)
variations of the circuit for achieving results of computations for $z=x y$, or $z=x / y$, or $y=k / x$, for $z=x y$, or $z=x / y$, or $y=k / x$, (where $a$ is a convenient constant).

Figure 3B shows a block diagram of the system for finding logarithms to any base or antilogarithms.

Figure 3A shows an arrangement for solving equations of the form $y=\sin (x \pm \theta)$ or $x=\theta \pm \sin ^{-1} y$.

## Continuous Computer

Patent 2,661,152 recently granted to Peter Elias of Cambridge, Mass. covers a "Computing Device" for providing a continuous indication of the instantaneous magnitude of the product of two independent variables either or both of which may vary rapidly with respect to time. This invention provides such indication with electronic circuits and no moving or mechanical parts and may be used with direct reading indicators or with graphic electrical recorders.

In the invention each of the independent variables is expressed as a signal voltage whose instantaneous magnitude is proportional to the magnitude of one of the factors of the product and whose polarity is determined by the positive or negative coefficient of the factor.

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FIG. 4-Product of two independent variables is continuously indicated


FIG. 5-Method of dividing (A) or raising to a power (B)

Suitably adjusted the sum of the output currents in the common output circuit is equal to $x y$. In the patent complete derivations of the resultant are shown to indicate the degree of accuracy and more accurate circuits, which are combinations of the basic circuit are indicated.

An example of the use of circuits shown in the patent (not all of which are reproduced above) is shown in Fig. 5A for computation of $x / y$.

The input multiplier such as one of those shown in Fig. 4, but hav-

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ing a transformer output is arranged to generate a voltage proportional to the negative of the product of two input voltages, $-k y z$ where $k$ is a positive constant. The output is applied to a conventional adding circuit which has as its second input the dividend voltage $x$. The resultant $x-k y z$ is applied to an amplifier of gain $A$, which provides thus $A(x-k y z)$ so that the input voltage $z$ is now $z=A(x-$ kyz) or $z(1+A k y)=A x$ and $z=x /[(1 / A)+k y]$.

For a non-zero $y, z$ may be made as nearly proportional to $x / y$ as desired by increasing $A$, the gain of the amplifier.

A further example is shown in Fig. 5B where when the same voltage is applied to both inputs of a multiplier such as shown in Fig. 4 an output voltage proportional to the square of the input voltage is obtained. Higher powers to give a resultant $x^{n}$ may be obtained by applying the original voltage $x$ to one side of a multiplier while the last $x^{n}$ is applied to the other side.

## Shift Register

In computing devices shift registers are used for storing items of information for variable lengths of time, for converting serially occurring information to parallel or simultaneous operation and so forth. Such circuits frequently require a number of stages under some periodic control to advance the operation of the computer.

An invention of a "Shift Regis-


FIG. 6-Three-stage shift register (one stage within dashed lines)


ter" by H. M. Fleming, assigned to Monroe Calculating Machine Co., of Orange, New Jersey, was awarded patent 2,638,542.

The principal object of the Fleming device is to provide a shift register capable of being used in the manner of prior shift registers with a minimum number of electron tubes per stage.

One form of the invention is shown in Fig. 6, where three stages of the invention are indicated in the circuit. One stage is in the dashed outline. Figure 7 shows the time


FIG. 7-Time relationship of pulses in shift register
relationships of the pulses involved in the operation of the invention.

High and low input signals are applied to the input triode through an integrating circuit $R$ and $C$. The anode of the first triode is connected to a source of positive advance pulses that provide anode potential during the pulse period occurring at regular intervals.

The cathode of the first triode is connected through a capacitor to a source of negative potential and to the grid of the second triode. The cathode of the first triode is connected through a capacitor to a source of negative potential and to the grid of the second triode. The cathode of the second triode is connected to a source of negative pulses that occur in coincidence with the advance pulses.

The signals are applied to each stage of the register, each in coincidence with an advance pulse but due to the action of the integrating circuit are not in effect until the occurrence of the next advance pulse.

Conduction of the first tube of the pair in response to a signal charges the capacitor in the cathode of the first tube which maintains the second tube conducting until a third advance pulse occurs. If the applied signal is such as to cut off the first tube the second does not conduct.


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Since the announcement of a new mechanized production system, code-named Project Tinkertoy (Electronics, Dec. 1953, p 160), the National Bureau of Standards has developed a compatible adhe-sive-tape capacitor for this ce-ramic-wafer system under the sponsorship of the Navy Bureau of Aeronautics.


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manufacture of tape capacitors are a heat-resisting asbestos paper tape, silver flake, silicone resin, butyl cellosolve, a powdered high-K titanate body, N-hexane and epoxide resin. The electrically conducting formulation (a mixture of the silver flake, silicone resin and solvent) is ground in a ball mill. The mixture is sprayed on a loop of tape


Finished unit. Conductive tape connects top element to tinned notch


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The dielectric formulation is composed of high- K titanate body that has been pulverized in a ball mill with N -hexane until the particle size is about 1 to 2 microns, after which the slurry is allowed to evaporate under a hood. The ground titanate body is mixed with epoxide resin and further ballmilled. This tacky dielectric mix-
ture is then sprayed on the metallized base tape in various thicknesses determined by the number of passes the tape makes in front of the spray gun. Thicker applications make capacitors of lower value.

The silver pattern that forms one electrode of the capacitor is applied to the steatite wafer by means of a screen press. It is then dried and fired onto the ceramic. The adhesive dielectric-coated tape that forms the other electrode is cut. into squares slightly larger than the silver contact and pressed down on it. A narrow conductive strip, similar to resistor tape but with a con-
ductivity of approximately 0.02 ohm per half inch, is laid down between a contact on the edge of the wafer and the top side of the capacitor. The complete assembly is then cured by placing it in an oven at room temperature, raising it to 225 C over a period of one-half hour, and holding this temperature for 45 minutes.

Capacitors of higher values can be manufactured by applying a number of layers of tape, one on top of another, with appropriate connections to the edge of the wafer. Smaller capacitors can be made by reducing the area of the silver pattern printed on the wafer.

## Fibreboard Tote Boxes for Parts Use Beer-Case Construction



Fibreboard tote boxes in use on precision instrument assembly line, along with conventional metal boxes. Note use of Electrolux vacuum cleaner under grinder, with hose going to sheel-metal enclosure araund buffing wheel to keep down dust during operations

New LIGHT-WEIGHT tote boxes made of moisture-resistant solid fibreboard-the same type of board used in multiple-trip beer bottle
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## Punching Chassis Stencils on Addressograph

With only minor modifications a standard Elliott addressing machine serves for cutting stencils used for spraying identifying legends on resistor terminal cards and chassis sections for the Matador guided missile in the Baltimore plant of The Glenn L. Martin Co. With the Addressograph machine permanently set up on a bench adjacent to assembly positions, new stencils can be cut in a few minutes whenever needed because of production changes.

Conversion from embossing of metal to punching out of stencil paper merely involves use of a special soft backup paper on the solid anvil. This paper is obtained in the form of green tape from The Elliott Addressing Machine Co., Cambridge, Mass. Each operation


Stencil-cutting setup. Left hand of operator is on character-selecting knob. Line-spacing holes can be seen on paper feed plate in foreground

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hydrocarbons trapped in the insulation. They suggest that harmful effects of such deposits are avoided by using only materials like
 granite, soapstone or concrete. Unfortunately, these present certain difficulties in fabrication.

In general, two expedients seem most successful to date. One is to ignore the deposits. They usually only reduce the life expectancy, important only if the relay is placed in service. (Since most sealed relays spend their days on a shelf in a depot warehouse, this consideration may usually be dismissed.)

The other was proposed by an Air Force captain who may as well remain nameless, both because he was actually trying to use equipment and because his most effective solution runs somewhat counter to entrenched government prejudice. He increases the life expectancy of relays (yes - Sigma relays,
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Sprayäng resistor board with DeVilbiss spray gun, using stencil frame having wires that automatically press stencil against board


Example of metal-plate stencil having positioning pins
up the pin and pushes the slide forward. The pin automatically drops into the next hole to give precise line spacing.

When spraying small quantities of a piece, the stencil can be held in position over the work or taped to the work. To get a clean sprayed impression, the operator presses the stencil l down on the chassis at each spraying location in turn with one hand while manipulating the spray gun with the other hand.

For larger runs and for standard items such as resistor boards, stemci hold-down frames are used to speed up the work. These are made from metal, and have wires running across in between the lettering to get pressure across the entire width of the stencil. The stencil is attached to the underside of the frame with masking tape, so that the operator can transfer the stencil from one piece to the next with a

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## Blackboard Substitute



Working out design problem for nonlinear precision potentiometer on press-ed-wood board painted with ordinary cream-colored oil paint

In place of blackboards at Helipot Corp., South Pasadena, Calif., engineers work out problems by using water-base crayons on a creamcolored board. The eraser is simply an ordinary towel. The crayons are available at most art supply stores.

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Method of attaching parts-needed flags to tote boxes needing refilling

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Photoelectrjc setup for measuring wire length in conjunction writh electronic counter. Sheet of aluminum in path of light beam serves as mask, with light passing only throuch tiny drilled hole to phototuje at far side of wire


Artos drive and chopper with pratective housing removed. Pushbution in left foreground clears counter and actuates chopper as required after threading in new wire


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Method of loading chute
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Drying rods on carriage which moves at same speed as overhead conveyor for picture fubes

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| Current | 25 mA | 25 mA |
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| Temp. coefficient | ${\overline{\mathrm{MC}} / \mathrm{C}^{-10+.10}}_{10 \mathrm{c}}$ | $\overline{\mathrm{Mc} / \mathrm{C}^{\circ} \mathrm{to}+.10}$ |
| Pulling figure | $\begin{aligned} & 0.2 \% \\ & \text { erating of op } \\ & \text { freg. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \% \\ & \text { erating of op op- } \end{aligned}$ |

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The Leeds \& Northrup "plastic flow type" electrode assembly above shows the How block, at left, formulated from HYSOL 6000. Measuring about $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ by $11 / 2^{\prime \prime}$, it has three wells into which the pH electrodes and temperature compen. sator screw against sealing gaskets. Leadwires from these detecting elements are connected, in the terminal box at top, to leadwires from recording and/or controlling equipment. Insert shows the assembly in operation. The test solution flows through the block, under pressures up to 30 psi, where its pH is continu. ously detected by the electrodes.

HYSOL 6000 Series epoxide compounds provide the best plastic for this electrode assembly for many reasons. The block itself is produced from a single piece of plastic material. This one-piece construction provides great mechanical strength and prevents solution leakage. The fact that the flow block is chemically resisfant is important, since measured solutions are either highly acidic or highly caustic. The d-c electrical insulating properties of HYSOL 6000 Series epoxide compounds minimize electrical pickup and current leakage which would create a measuring error.



Gage in position in stub that has been sawed in half to show inner construr. tion of coaxial unit
construction shown permits pushing the gage alongside the central conductor. The gage handle is slotted for part of its length to give the springiness needed to accommodate varying central conductor diameters, since it is gap spacing rather than conductor diameter that is critical.

Different gages are kept on hand for the various tuned circuits of this type, because of the varying degree of coupling and consequent variations in required gap length.

## Stripping Nylon Jacket from Shielded Wire

Preparation of insulated shielded wire generally involves removal of a length of the nylon jacket to expose the shielded wire. This must usually be done without nicking or cutting the strands of the shielding braid. One method of doing this at the Baltimore plant of The Glenn L. Martin Co. involves holding the


Method of mounting standard American Beauty iron without tip for stripping nylon jacket


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[^18]insulation over the hot shank of a bench-mounted soldering iron. The operator holds the end of the wire with long-nose pliers and slowly pulls the wire from left to right across the iron for the desired distance. The melted jacket can then easily be pulled back with the fingers.

The operation is done quickly to minimize softening of the insulation inside the shield.

A sheet aluminum housing for the soldering iron covers all but the working surface, to minimize chances of burning fingers. The tip of the soldering iron is removed, since the larger-diameter shank provides faster melting of the jacket.

Nylon-jacketed shielding wire is used in the Matador guided missile to prevent undesired circulating currents that would occur with bare shielded wire touching various grounded points intermittently.

An automatic cutting machine for shielded wire was built recently at this plant, following a General Motors design. This employs contrarotating cutters in conjunction with a precisely machined anvil to cut through the nylon jacket and shield as it is rotated on the anvil by the operator. The machine is being used on an experimental basis at present, with the hope of modifying its design so as to cut selectively through the nylon jacket without nicking the shielding braid, thus eliminating need for the slower nylon-melting technique currently being used for the purpose.

The anvil is spring-loaded in such a way that it is normally open, to


Method of holding shielded wire on anvil of automatic cutter


## PANORAMIC SONIC analyzer <br> P. 1

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View of cutting blades, with anvil in retracted position for easy insertion of wire on which braid is to be cut
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For the past five years, Mufual Don Lee Broadcasting Center in Hollywood, California, has used Cramer timers to control automaticcilly the time interval allowed for station breaks. When the system cue is given, the precise Cramer timer takes over, allowing associated stations exactly 15 seconds for call letters and station break announcement before returning to the following network program. This leaves the operator free to give attention to other operating details, particularly important during heavy load hours when several different programs must be dispatched.

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Jumper wire hookup template for resistor board of ground-to-ground guided missile

## Paper Templates Speed Start of New Wiring Line

Craning of necks between instruction charts and work when starting up a new assembly line is eliminated at Martin Aircraft by taping a small removeable paper template containing all this information to each resistor board or chassis. Workers place the components directly over indicated locations.

The idea was first introduced on the USAF B-61 Martin Matador production line. Here a total of 1,500 man-hours of work was saved using this new method, according to factory supervisors. The templates are discarded as soon as workers have memorized the new procedure.

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If you are working on a particular problem involving a special pulse transformer-or if you would like to compare the performance of an individually-designed unit to the stock unit you are now using-contact the Engineering Department with an outline of your requirements. No obligation, of course.

# 77 New Products and 48 Manufacturers' Bulletins Are Reviewed . . . Control, Testing and Measuring Equipment Described and Illustrated . . . Recent Tubes and Components Are Covered 

## VIEWFINDER ASSEMBLY

fits over standard camera
Kalbfell Laboratories, Inc., 1090 Morena Blvd., San Diego 10, Calif., announces a new 5 -in. electronic viewfinder assembly to be used in conjunction with its standard small-sized tv camera to provide flexibility necessary for studio or remote control commercial broadcasts. The assembly may be easily installed or removed. It consists of

a lens turret with 4 mounts on the front and a 5 -in. crt fed by a 6 -mc video amplifier on the rear. The crt is flat-faced and magnetically deflected and provides brightlyfocused images of high resolution and excellent contrast. The assembly discussed is self-contained and is driven from the standard cable that feeds the Vidicon camera. It may be ordered together with, or as a separate unit from, the standard camera.

## DIODE TESTER

## measures d-c characteristics



Trans Electronics Co., 7243 Eton Ave., Canoga Park, Calif. Designed to measure the d-c characteristics of diodes in both the forward and reverse directions, the model $B$ production diode tester will meet all the requirements of diode manufacturers for rugged production equipment. Three voltage supplies, $E_{1}, E_{2}$ and $E_{3}$, preset from 0 to 25
v, 25 to 75 v , and 75 to 150 v respectively, are available for measuring reverse currents. An electronic microammeter measures the current at $E_{1}, E_{2}$ or $E_{3}$ in 4 ranges selected by lever switches. Ranges are 0 to 50,0 to 5,0 to 0.5 and 0 to $0.05 \mu \mathrm{a}$ full scale. Voltages are monitored in 3 ranges- 0 to 3,0 to 30 , and 0 to 300 v full scale. All range and scale selection is automatically taken care of in the switching.

## PHASE COUNTER

## composed of 3 plug-in units

Advance Electronics Co., Inc., 451 Highland Ave., Passaic, N. J. Three plug-in units-a decade counter and switching circuit, a timing unit and a function unit comprise a new phase measuring instrument. The decimal counter and switching circuit has a fast gate with interlocking arrangement and a decade counter consisting of 5 decimal counters connected in tandem. The timing unit consists of a $100-\mathrm{kc}$ crystal oscillator and 5 stages of $10-1$ frequency dividers. The function unit consists of 2 circuits. One of them is used to generate a sharp pulse at

the instant when the input signal $E_{1}$ intersects with the zero axis. This pulse is used to start the counting of the signal from the
timing unit. The other circuit is used to generate a sharp pulse at the instant when the input $E_{2}$ intersects with the zero axis. This second pulse is used to stop the counting of the signals from the timing unit. As a result, the number displayed by the counter will correspond to the phase angle.

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similar data can now be made on a new heterodyne-type automatic wave analyzer. The analysis is a Fourier analysis-amplitude vs frequency. Suited for operation from any source supplying a repetitive signal such as a magnetic tape loop, the wave analyzer covers the fre-
quency range of 2 to $2,000 \mathrm{cps}$. It features variable bandwidth $\frac{1}{2}$ to 45 cps, analysis down to 3 cps , amplitude accuracy $\pm 5$ percent of reading on logarithmic scale, frequency accuracy 0.5 percent of reading, input voltage range 60 db , and input impedance 212 megohms. The com-
plete automatic wave analyzer consists of 6 basic units which are available individually as well as in an assembly-input switching panel, oscillator-controller, modula-tor-filter, recorder, power supplies and rack. Complete details are given in bulletin 54-C.

## PULSE TRANSFORMERS

## available in two types

Acme Electric Corp., 1375 W. Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif., has developed two distinct types of miniature pulse transformers. One group is available in a series of metal case designs, with approved type glass seal terminal header plates. The second group is encapsulated in molded epoxy resin with several types of terminal connec-

tions. This pulse transformer line was especially developed for triggering and counting circuits, and for d-c isolation, inversion pulse shaping and pulse transmission circuits. Their development and engineering have taken into consideration severe temperature changes, shock and humidity environmental conditions of use. Bulletin PT-301 lists 6 distinct designs available in 19 sizes with 21 different ratios in each category as stock units.

## PHASE METER

## uses comparison method



The W. L. Maxson Corp., 460 W. 34th St., New York 1, N. Y. An electronic instrument for precise measurement of phase difference between two sinusoidal voltages, model P-1060 precision phase meter provides absolute accuracy of 0.1 deg with incremental accuracy of 0.01 deg operating throughout the frequency range from 30 to 20,000 cps. Any phase angle from 0 to 360 deg may be measured without am-
biguity. Insensitive to even harmonics, it can tolerate approximately 1 percent third harmonic content within the rated accuracy of measurement. Applications include use in the design of ssb transmitters, and in the measurement of capacitor power factor, stray capacitance across resistors and residual inductance in noninductive resistors. Shift through amplifiers and other computer characteristics demanding precise phase relationships are accurately measured by this instrument.

## FREQUENCY STANDARD

for I-f timing applications
Industrial Test Equipment Co., 55 E. 11th St., New York 3, N. Y., has introduced frequency standard model 620 , which can deliver up to 5 v at a precise frequency of 60 or 120 cps (factory set to within $\pm 0.01$ percent). Other frequencies precisely set can also be supplied upon request. Frequency stability is such that temperature variations from -40 C to +85 C or line voltage variations from 105 to 125 v will affect frequency of oscillation by less than $\pm 0.01$ percent. Output distortion is less than 1 percent.


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ing one of output terminals. Dimensions are 9 in . high, 15 in . wide, and 8 in . deep. Weight is 17 lb . The instrument should be extremely useful in accurate l-f timing applications.

## A-C/D-C RELAY with built-in rectifier

Hi-G Inc., Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn. A new a-c/d-c relay contains 4 miniature germanium diodes to rectify a-c excitation signals and provide chatter-free d-c switching action. The diodes are



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sockets for use in transistor circuits. This makes it possible to group transistors, particularly in computer circuitry. Dimensions of the first model are 6 in . $\times 1 \mathrm{in}$. $\times$ $\frac{1}{4}$ in. This model has 10 sockets. Other models are being developed to accommodate 30 or more sockets in a single strip. The strip material is phenolic, the transistor contacts are of phosphor bronze and the solder contacts are copper. Internal connections are handled by a printed circuit.


## POWER RECTIFIER

in new silicon type
Transitron Electronic Corp., Melrose, Mass., has developed a new silicon power rectifier that is capable of operating efficiently between the extremes of 150 C above and -60 C below zero, and possesses large power handling ability. These silicon rectifiers can be made extremely compact. Savings in weight and volume will make these units especially adaptable for communications in military aircraft.


## COMPARISON BRIDGE for rapid testing

Freed Transformer Co., Inc., 1715 Weirfield St., Brooklyn 27, N. Y. Type 1870 incremental inductance
comparison bridge is designed for rapid testing of transformers and chokes under actual operating conditions. Use of $4-\mathrm{in}$. easy-to-read meters and keeping the number of operating controls to a minimum assures rapid and reliable operation. The instrument consists of a variable 0 to 500 -ma d-c supply, a 60 -cycle 0 to $135-\mathrm{v}$ a-c supply, a comparison circuit and a vtvm. A jack is incorporated for connecting an external oscillator to supply other test frequencies. Inductances of 25 mh to 25 h can be compared on a deviation range of $\pm 20$ percent with an accuracy of $\pm 1$ percent and deviation of $\pm 50$ percent with an accuracy of $\pm 5$ percent. All controls and power supplies are contained in one unit.


## DELAY LINE

is continuously variable
Helipot Corp., 916 Meridian Ave., South Pasadena, Calif., has introduced the Helidel delay line for use in color ty broadcasting, radar scanning, h-f oscilloscopes, short-time memory systems and many other applications. These delay lines are continuously variable units of the distributed-constant electromagnetic type. Delay is adjustable in increments of only 0.02 millimicroseconds and signals are transmitted with minor distortion of waveshape. The Helidel also features sharp rise-time of 0.0175 usec maximum, extreme bandwidth of 20 mc and negligible overshoot or phase distortion. It resembles a multiturn helical potentiometeronly $2 \frac{1}{8}$ in. in diameter. Two standard models are available-a 10 -turn unit with total delay of $0.2 \mu \mathrm{sec}$, and a 15 -turn unit with total delay of $0.3 \mu \mathrm{sec}$. Both are internally terminated by $2-w$ resistors in their



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## OSCILLOSCOPE valuable in color tv work

Heath Co., Benton Harbor, Mich. Model 0-10 oscilloscope has features that make it valuable in color tv work. Essentially llat vertical channel response is from 5 cps to 5 mc . It is down only 1.5 db at 3.58 mc (color to sync burst frequency). Model $0-10$ employs printed circuit boards for stable circuit operation. It uses full 5 -in. crt and employs a sweep generator circuit that will produce stable, linear sweeps up to $500,000 \mathrm{cps}$.

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## MARKER GENERATOR for uhf tv use

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quirement of only 10 mv into its 70 -ohm input circuit.


## TESTER

for junction transistors
Devenco Inc., 150 Broadway, New York 38, N. Y. A new tester provides a rapid, positive means of testing the current gain of any $n p n$ or $p n p$ junction transistor. A front panel selector switch allows rapid changeover from $n p n$ to $p n p$ testing. The tester incorporates direct reading calibration by a single knob adjustment, with conversion from beta to alpha values by means of a simple table or curve, both of which are supplied with the unit. A selfcontained oscillator provides high signal stability with considerable harmonic output, enabling the tester to detect transistors with a low beta cutoff.


PANEL VOLTMETER with expanded scale
Arga Division, Beckman Instruments, Inc., 220 Pasadena Ave., South Pasadena, Calif. With the new expanded scale panel voltmeter a-c voltage readings accurate to 0.5 percent over the frequency range of 50 to $2,000 \mathrm{cps}$ are obtained. Use of a thermal bridge permits the indication of a narrow voltage range. The scale is expanded about a given normal voltage which may be as low

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## LINEAR TRANSDUCER

 is extremely versatileCrescent Enginefring \& Research Co., 14828 Arrow Highway, Baldwin Park, Calif. The extensometer linear transducer illustrated is designed for operation at elevated temperatures. It measures linear motion, relative displacement, position and vibration. The unit may be operated at temperatures between -160 F and $+1,300$ $F$, and has linear ranges available from 1 in. to 32 in . Fesolution of all models is $0.000,000,1 \mathrm{in}$. It features operating sensitivities to 5
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## PACKAGE LABORATORY

for TV broadcasting use
Allen B. Dumont Laboratories, Inc., 760 Bloomfield Ave., Clifton, N. J., has announced a video-signal monitor primarily for use in tv broadcasting, made available by packaging the types 325 tv line selector and 327 cro. Type 325 tv line selector is operated by 3 controls which enable the operator to count down to any particular horizontal line, serrated or equalizing pulse of a composite tv signal, at which point it produces a synchronizing signal to trigger the oscillograph and display the signal from the selected point. Type 327 cro is a medium-frequency oscillograph designed primarily to fill the gap in the oscillograph line resulting from the trend in the industry to concentrate on l-f or h-f instru-
ments. The d-c to 5 -me bandwidth of the new oscillograph encompasses the frequencies found in the black-and-white or color tv signal realm. Accurate time and amplitude measuring features are included in the type 327.


## PYROMETER

has many industrial uses
Photoswitch Division, Electronics Corp. of America, 77 Broadway, Cambridge 42, Mass., has developed a photoelectric pyrometer for industrial use which makes possible the precise monitoring and control of the temperature of hot materials. The complete system consists of 2 units: a scanner type 41AU4 consisting of a phototube and lens assembly with a variable iris, and a control type 27 LJ 7 containing an electronic amplifier, a relay and a meter. The plug-in design of the control chassis provides for simplified replacement and maximum accessibility for examination, adjustment and repair. The company has available a sheet giving tentative specifications and a typical calibration light intensity chart.


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single-ended differential is primarily designed for use in high precision servos. The basic differential unit is constructed to meet all requirements for minimum backlash, low break-away torque and minimum power transmission losses. All three shafts (two inputs and the output) extend concentrically from one end of the housing. The entire mechanism is enclosed in a sealed housing. Mounting dimensions for the unit are identical to those of the Mk 8 Mod 0 servo motor. This type design permits the engineer to mount the differential to be mounted on a single plate, thus providing the advantage of a single row gear train.


## MAGNETIC AMPLIFIER with $0.0083-\mathrm{sec}$ time lag

Librascope, Inc., 808 Western Ave., Glendale, Calif. A new ultra-fast magnetic amplifier has been developed for use in control systems where a high-gain amplifier and fast response are required. Speed of response is independent of the number of stages of amplification. This makes possible the present 3stage amplifier in which the input and output phase occur during the same half cycle of the power supply. Reduction of the series major loop lag permits the use of more negative feedback in the inner loop, resulting in improved stability. These magnetic amplifiers can be used either as phase reversible a-c amplifiers or as polarity reversible d-c amplifiers for d-c inputs with no changes in the internal wiring of the amplifier. Model 504-1 has a power gain of 50,000 ; power output, a-c, 15 w , phase reversible with a-c input; d-c, 15 w , polarity reversible with d-c input. Load impedance is

800 ohms; input imperdance, 15,000 ohms. Weight is 10 lb . Dimensions are $6 \mathrm{in} . \times 5 \mathrm{in} . \times 10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$.


CAPACITORS
are humidity resistant
Good-All Electric Mfg. Co., Ogallala, Nebraska. Seramelite capacitors have high humidity resistance and will operate continuously over a temperature range of -50 C to +100 C . They are available with either paper or mylar dielectric, are encased in ceramic tubes and are sealed with a new thermosetting plastic. The wax free units will not drip at temperatures even higher than 100 C . After 28 days at 60 C and 95 percent relative humidity with 100 percent applied voltage, model 503 S still has an insulation resistance of 1,000 megohm-p.f with a maximum of 10,000 megohms. Seramelities are available in a capacitance range of 0.001 of to 2.0 uf with a voltage range of 100 to 1,600 working volts $\mathrm{d}-\mathrm{c}$, in sizes as small as $0.215 \times 27 / 32 \mathrm{in}$.


## COAXIAL TUNER

## for microwave region use

Dunn Engineering Associates, Inc., 11 Windsor St., Cambridge, Mass. A new broadband coaxial tuner, for use in the microwave region, makes possible impedance matching over a wide frequency range with a single instrument. Utilizing the line-stretcher and single-stub principle for matching to 50 -ohm lines, the model C-50-A tuner reduces vswr's in excess of


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30 to 1 to less than 1.2 over the frequency range 750 mc to $10,000 \mathrm{mc}$. Ruggedly built, the tuner is constructed largely of coin silver, rhodium plated for tarnish resistance. Settings of the instrument are retained by simple fingertightened locking nuts. The tuner is intended for use with systems employing type N fittings and is furnished with male or female type N connectors in combinations specified by the customer.


## D-C POWER SUPPLIES are constant voltage type

Associated Specialties Co., 1751 Main St., Orefield, Pa. Model 2 is a subchassis mounting type electronically regulated d -c constant voltage power supply. These supplies can be mounted on a chassis along with other components and thereby save space which would be used by a relay rack mounting supply. The d-c output voltage is continuously variable from 200 to 325 v d-c for load currents from 0 to 100 ma . Regulation of $\mathrm{d}-\mathrm{c}$ voltage is better than 1 percent for loads of 0 to 100 ma and line voltage variations from 105 to 125 v . Ripple output is less than 10 mv rms. Price is $\$ 51.00$.

## METER CALIBRATOR is 0.01 percent stable

Kalbfell Laboratories, Inc., 1090 Morena Blvd., San Diego 10, Calif., announces a new combination voltage and current meter calibrator to be used in laboratories and on electronic production lines as a secondary standard, to provide combination voltage and current

calibration. The calibrator employs the company's absolute d-c power supply circuitry and provides variation of the output voltage or current in small steps. Stability is 0.01 percent, with 0.05 percent accuracy. It is especially recommended for computer facilities, telemetering groups, magnetics laboratories and standards laboratories.


## POWER SUPPLY for digital computer use

Mag-Electric Products, Inc., 12822 Yukon Ave., Hawthorne, Calif., has developed a new type of regulated power supply specifically intended for digital computer application. The units are constructed with rugged long lasting magnetic components and conservatively rated selenium rectifier. Line voltage is 115 or $220 / 440$, single phase, $220 / 440$ three phase. The $E_{\text {d-c }}$ is adjustable to $\pm 5$ percent of nominal value. Accuracy is $\pm 0.5$ percent from 10 -percent load to full load with $\pm 10$-percent change in line voltage and $\pm 5$-percent change in line frequency. Ripple is 0.5 percent rms of d-c output voltage. Speed of response is 0.17 sec 10 percent load to full load. These power supplies

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| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 817 | 3 | 0.01 | 11.1 | $\$ 60.00$ |
| 818 | 3 | 0.1 | 111 | 51.00 |
| 820 | 3 | 1 | 1,110 | 56.00 |
| 821 | 3 | 10 | 11,100 | 60.00 |
| 822 | 3 | 100 | 111,000 | 63.00 |
| 823 | 3 | 1,000 | 1,110000 | 77.00 |
| 824 | 3 | 10,000 | $11,100,000$ | 120.00 |
| $817-A$ | 4 | 0.01 | 111.1 | 75.00 |
| 819 | 4 | 0.1 | 1,111 | 71.00 |
| 885 | 4 | 1 | 11,110 | 77.00 |
| 826 | 4 | 10 | 111,100 | 79.00 |
| 827 | 4 | 100 | $1,111,000$ | 92.00 |
| 828 | 4 | 1,000 | $11,110,000$ | 139.00 |
| 8285 | 5 | 0.1 | 11,111 | 94.00 |
| 829 | 5 | 1 | 111,110 | 101.00 |
| 830 | 5 | 10 | $1,111,100$ | 113.00 |
| 831 | 5 | 100 | $11,111,000$ | 155.00 |
| $817-C$ | 6 | 0.01 | $11,111.1$ | 105.00 |
| 8315 | 6 | 0.1 | 111,111 | 109.00 |
| 832 | 6 | 1 | $1,111,110$ | 121.00 |
| 833 | 6 | 10 | $11,111,100$ | 169.00 |

UNMOUNTED DECADE RESISTANCES

| Type | Dials | Ohm Steps | Resistance-Ohms | Price |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 435 | 1 | 0.1 | 1 | $\$ 12.00$ |
| 436 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 13.25 |
| 437 | 1 | 10 | 100 | 13.25 |
| 438 | 1 | 100 | 1,000 | 15.00 |
| 439 | 1 | 1,000 | 10,000 | 16.00 |
| 440 | 1 | 10,000 | 100,000 | 18.50 |
| 441 | 1 | 100,000 | $1,000,000$ | 32.50 |
| 442 |  | $1,000,000$ | $10,000,000$ | 60.00 |

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| Type | Dials | Ohm Steps | Resistance-Ohms | Price |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 845 | 3 | 1 | 1,000 | 98.00 |
| 837 | 4 | 0.1 | 1,000 | 126.00 |
| 835 | 4 | 1 | 10,000 | 132.00 |
| 836 | 4 | 10 | 100,000 | 146.00 |

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can be provided for assembly in standard relay racks to facilitate computer wiring.


## DIGITAL READOUT provides in-line display

Electro Instruments, Box S, Old San Diego Station, San Diego 10, Calif. A new digital display unit provides in-line numerical indication for instrumentation, production, or wherever ambiguous readings cannot be tolerated. Standard displays are available with one to six windows, each window 15 in . wide $\times 2$ in. high with 1 in. numbers. The in-line display is obtained with edge-lighted engraved lucite plates, mounted in an aluminum frame with miniaturized incandescent bulbs located either at the top or bottom. Each numeral is associated with a single, removable light bulb. Units may be purchased with 6,14 or 28 -v lamps. Tapped holes are provided for panel mounting.

## RECTIFIER

is mercury-vapor filled
National Electronics, Inc., Geneva, Ill., has announced the NL-633 high-current rectifier, rated at 30 amperes d-c and 225 amperes peak. It is bracket mounted and of rugged construction, making it particularly
adaptable to industrial applications. The NL-633 is mercury-vapor filled and has wide temperature limits. Construction is such that the condensed mercury temperature rise is almost independent of load, if proper phasing is observed. Other ratings are: filament volts, 2.5 v ; filament current, 50 amperes; maximum peak inverse volts, 900 v .

## LITTLE TRANSISTOR is hermetically sealed

CBS-Hytron, Danvers, Mass., is producing a transistor about the size of the head of a wooden match. This newly developed transistor is hermetically sealed in a cylindrical metal case that is only about $\frac{1}{4} \mathrm{in}$. long and $\frac{1}{8}$ in. in diameter. Three of these tiny transistors, with a total weight of less than a penny, are used in hearing aids. Ask for bulletin E-240.


## D-C POWER SUPPLY for $h$-r applications

Kalbfell Laboratories, Inc., 1090 Morena Blvd., San Diego 10, Calif. Model 200D-2 absolute d-c power supply provides a high powered source of voltage with standard cell stability. Output voltage is varied from 100 to $2,000 \mathrm{v}$ in $10-$ volt calibrated steps. Between steps it is varied with a potentiometer. The unit is provided with an output current of 20 ma . Long time stability is 0.01 percent; and short time stability, better than 50 parts per million per hour. Output voltage is calibrated within 0.02 percent. The model 200D-2 is ideal for photomultiplier, t-w tube, magne-

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| Type | Prototype | Bendix No. | Description | Base And Bulb | Heater Voltage | Plate Voltage Per Plate | M.A. Load |
| 5838 | $6 \times 5$ | TE-3 | full Wave Rectifier | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Octal } \\ \text { T. } 9 \end{gathered}$ | 12.6 | 350. | 70. |
| 5839 | $6 \times 5$ | TE-2 | Full Wave Rectifier | $\begin{gathered} \text { Octal } \\ \text { T-9 } \end{gathered}$ | 26.5 | 350. | 70. |
| 5852 | $6 \times 5$ | TE-5 | Full Wave Rectifier | $\begin{gathered} \text { Octal } \\ \mathrm{T}-9 \end{gathered}$ | 6.3 | 350. | 70. |
| 5993 | $6 \times 4$ | TE. 10 | Full Wave Rectifier | $\begin{gathered} 9-\mathrm{Pin} \\ \text { Miniature } \end{gathered}$ | 6.3 | 350. | 70. |
| 6106 | $5 Y 3$ | TE-22 | Full Wave Rectifier | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Octal } \\ & \text { T-9 } \end{aligned}$ | 5.0 | 350. | 100. |


| Type | Prototype | Bendix No. | Description | Base And Bulb | Heater Voltage | Plate Voltage | Scretn Voltage | Grid Voltage | Gm | Plate Current | Power Output |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5992 | 6V6 | TE. 8 | Beam Power Amplifier | $\begin{gathered} \text { Octal } \\ \text { T. } 9 \end{gathered}$ | 6.3 | 250. | 250. | 12.5 | 4000 | 45. MA | 3.5 W |
| * 6094 | 6AQ5 $6005$ | TE-18 | Beam Power Amplifier | 9-Pin Miniature | 6.3 | 250. | 250. | 12.5 | 4500 | 45. MA | 3.5 W |
| 6385 | $\begin{aligned} & 2 C 51 \\ & 5670 \end{aligned}$ | TE-21 | Double Triode | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 9.-Pin } \\ & \text { Miniature } \end{aligned}$ | 6.3 | 150. | - | $-2.0$ | 5000 | 8. MA | - |

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tron-klystron, and other applications where high voltage and moderate current are required.


## P-M MOTOR

for 28-v d-c operation
Dalmotor Co., 1329 Clay St., Santa Clara, Calif. Type PM-4 permanentmagnet motor for $28-v$ d-c operation has an integral brake separately actuated from 28 v d-c, and capable of bringing the armature to a stop from the rated operating speed of $4,500 \mathrm{rpm}$ within one shaft revolution. Designed for continuous-duty applications requiring good speed regulation, the unit supplies a high starting torque of $50 \mathrm{oz} \mathrm{in}$. amperes. Standard ratings include a total input current, including the 0.25 -ampere brake current, of 2.5 amperes with $40-w$ load. The dynamic brake torque is 100 oz in. minimum. The unit, weighing 2.4 lb., has reversible rotation.


## TOROIDAL INDUCTORS

 with $\pm 1$ percent toleranceFreed Transformer Co., Inc., 1715 Weirfield St., Brooklyn 27, N. Y., has announced a wide variety of standard and subminiature toroidal inductors. All have a standard tolerance of $\pm 1$ percent with frequency ranges up to 200 kc and inductance values up to 50 henrys. They are available in stabilized and nonstabilized types. The subminiature inductors feature 4 types covering frequency ranges from

500 cps to 200 kc with inductance values to 2 hemrys. These are supplied cased or uncased.


## POWER PACKS

for airborne use
Plastic Capacitors, Inc., 2511 W. Moffat St., Chicago 47, Ill., has announced a new line of power packs for airborne use. Input frequency is 400 cycles and the output range from 1 to $25 \mathrm{kv} \mathrm{d}-\mathrm{c}$ is covered by 6 models. Temperature range is from -60 C to +85 C , and the unit can be operated in any position. Ripple on all models is less than 5 percent per milliampere. Featured is the new output terminal construction which is small, but provides adequate flashover for operation at $50,000 \mathrm{ft}$.


## POTTING COMPOUNDS for electronic components

Electronic Plastics Corp., 130th St. \& 90th Ave., Queens 18, N. Y., announces a new material called EM-BED-IT, which was especially formulated to solve the problems encountered in encapsulating delicate electronic components for the armed forces. It is extremely fast setting, taking only minutes; re-

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Magnecraft Electric Co., 1448 W. Van Buren St., Chicago 7, Ill. New convenience for installation, inspection, interchange or replacement is provided by open-type plug-in relays. They can be installed, inspected or replaced without disturbing the wiring. When used in portable equipment, plug-in relays can be removed readily for protection in transit. They can be fur-

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## DECADE COUNTER weighs 11 oz with tubes

Ransom Research, P. O. Box 382, San Pedro, Calif., has developed a miniaturized electronic decade counter using the EIT decade scaler tube and weighing only 11 oz with tubes in place. Available are a $20-\mathrm{kc}$ scaler, a $40-\mathrm{kc}$ scaler, a 100 -kc scaler and an output stage scaler operating at 10 cps which can be used to feed a mechanical counter. The decade counters described employ plug-in construction using an Alden 20 pin plug for quick installation and removal as well as to permit their use as building blocks to form any desired combination. All types now available measure only $1 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{in} . \times{ }^{\frac{1}{4}} \mathrm{in} . \times 3 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{in}$. exclusive of tubes.

## TAPPED DELAY LINES in 46 combinations

The Jacobs Instrument Co., Bethesda 14, Md., has announced a series of the lumped-constant type tapped delay lines. This $W$ series of military types are offered in a wide variety of delay times and

characteristic impedances. All of this series of tapped lines are completely encapsulated in a special stable thermosetting resin which completely suriounds and supports each comment, protecting it against shock and vibration. These lines are usable over a wide temperature range and have excellent thermal stability of delay. They are hermetically sealed. The $W$ series of lines contains tapped inserts for 6-32 mounting bolts. External connections are made by means of strong solder lugs.


## POWER AMPLIFIER <br> for high-fidelity uses

Fairchild Recording Equipment Co., 154th St. and 7th Ave., Whitestone, N. Y., is manufacturing a new compact $50-\mathrm{w}$ power amplifier for high fidelity applications. Model 260 power amplifier is only 12 in . wide, 7 in . deep and $7 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{in}$. high. It features low intermodulation distortion and low harmonic distortion as well as excellent signal-to-noise ratio, and is guaranteed not to ring at any level regardless of load power factor. One design feature is the self-contained balance control which permits adjustment for minimum distortion, proper phase inversion and dynamic balance of the output


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## TERMINALS

## in new taper pin types

Lynn Electronic Research Co., 501 S. Varney St., Burbank, Calif. Four new taper pin terminals have been added to the line of electronic hardware. Included are double-end taper, taper from front, taper from back and taper from front with blind hole. Sizes are available for standard terminal board thicknesses, or special terminals may be ordered to specification. The new taper pins are of half-hard brass
bar, with copper flash and electrotin plate finish. A complete catalog of the company's electronic hardware is available on request.


## FLIP-FLOP

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EECO Production Co., 827 S. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles 5, Calif. A new high-speed flip-flop is designed for use in counting and frequency division applications. It has a 0 to l-mc range for decade operation. Packaged as a plug-in with an 11pin base, the flip-flop unit has a $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$. o-d and a seating height of $3{ }^{2} \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$. A minimum input signal of 80 v is required for input frequencies from 0 to 500 kc . Its output signal has an amplitude of 80 v. The plug-in unit is designed to permit it to be taken apart or assembled without the use of any tools.


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## SYNCHROS

## feature high accuracy

Clifton Precision Products Co., Inc., Marple at Broadway, Clifton Heights, Pa., has developed a new series of size 15 synchros. The instruments feature very high accuracies for their size and weight. Maximum diameter is 1.437 in ;

and maximum overall length, 1.640 in. Average weight is 4.7 oz . The synchros are available with leads, or can be specially ordered with radial or axial terminals. The size 15 synchros are available in the following types: signal generators, receivers, regular and high impedance control transformers, high output control transformers, control differentials, regular and high impedance resolvers and sinecosine generators.


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## Literature

Servo Analyzer. Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Wayne and Windrim Ave., Philadelphia 44, Pa. Analysis of servomechanisms and process equipment, using frequency response techniques, is now speeded by the Brown servo analyzer, an automatic transfer-function measuring and plotting system. Bulletin 1170 describes and illustrates the components and operation of the versatile instruments.

Subminiature Receiver. Lehigh Valley Electronics 215 S. Third St., Allentown, Pa., has available a single-sheet bulletin illustrating and describing a subminiature receiver no larger than a pack of cigarettes. The receiver discussed is designed to operate at frequencies between 25 and 60 mc and has an effective range of about 20 miles. It weighs $5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{oz}$.

Transformers and Lab Test Instruments. Freed Transformer Co., Inc., 1715 Weirfield St., Brooklyn 27, N. Y., announces availability of two new comprehensive catalogs covering a line of transformers (catalog 545) and precision laboratory test instruments (catalog 546). Catalog 545 is a 24 -page bulletin, completely indexed, which contains illustrations, dimension tables, technical specifications, and complete descriptive material on the company's transformers, filters, magnetic amplifiers, reactors and tor-
electronic controls. Of particular interest to engineers is the page devoted to formulas frequently used in transformer and reactor computations.

Oscillographs and Amplifiers. Brush Electronics Co., 3405 Perkins Ave. Cleveland 14, Ohio. Information detailing recently developed models of oscillographs and amplifiers is provided in a new brochure. The literature gives basic details of the company's 4 and 6 -channel oscillograph in combination with universal and dual-channel $d-c$ amplifiers. It also provides related information concerning universal amplifier model BL-520, and dualchannel direct-coupled amplifier model BL-530. The instruments described have numerous applications in many fields of research and industry.

Television Camera System. Kalbfell Laboratories, Inc., 1090 Morena Blvd., San Diego 10, Calif. A 4page folder illustrates and describes the Kay Lab tv camera system that employs only 3 basic units-the camera, camera control and syn-chronizer-monitor. Each of the units is discussed and specifications and significant features are listed.

Color Planning Packet. Allen B. DuMont Laboratories, Inc., 1500 Main Ave., Clifton, N. J., has available a color planning packet which is an attempt to simplify the color film packaging so that one can choose for himself the combination which best fits in with his proposed color plans, and see for himself the relative costs of various combinations. In addition there is given complete descriptive literature on each item in the company's color line, including a complete 20 -page brochure on the film Multi-Scanner.

Time Delay Relays. The A. W. Haydon Co., 232 N. EIm St., Waterbury, Conn. Bulletin TD500 contains technical data and specifications on a line of special time delay relays. The relays described are motordriven and provide accurately controlled time delay periods adjustable over a wide range.

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Instrument Calibration Standard. Radio Frequency Laboratories, Inc., Boonton, N. J. A single-sheet bulletin describes and illustrates the model 454 a-c instrument calibration standard which has been designed to provide a medium for quickly and accurately calibrating a-c voltmeters, ammeters and milliammeters. Information on accuracy, safety features and applications is included. Electrical specifications are given.

Antenna Equipment. Andrew Corp., 363 E. 75th St., Chicago 19, Ill. Bulletin 200 tells how to choose the most economical combination of base, antenna, tower, transmitter and line for required range. This 4-page reprint contains an ilustration, complete description and tabular data.

Power Rheostats. TRU-OHM Products, 2800 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago 18, Ill., has available complete illustrated literature on a line of power rheostats. The rheostats described are designed for use in series with other applicances rated 300 v or less, and are $25,50,75,100$ and 150 w.

Antenna Design Calculations. Technology Instrument Corp., 531 Main St., Acton, Mass. Laboratory Report No. 14 deals with antenna design calculations for determining field patterns synthesizing antenna arrays and studying pattern behavior by use of the company's complex plane analyzer. It also describes the application of the complex plane analyzer to other engi neering design calculations which involve complex numbers.
Special Transformers. Central Transformer Co., 910 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 7, Ill. A 4-page brochure provides a description of special designs produced by the company for a wide variety of applications in such fields as communications, nucleonics, ordnance and

Calif. Details on the new type PM$36 \mathrm{p}-\mathrm{m}$ motor are given in a new leaflet-Form PM36-954. The publication includes full dimensional details on this $20-\mathrm{w}, 6,000-\mathrm{rpm}$ unit which is recommended for applications where high efficiency, good speed regulation, and low r-f interference are required. Specification data are tabulated and performance curves given to cover relationships between torque output and input current, rpm, output watts and percent efficiency.

Power Transistors. MinneapolisHoneywell Regulator Co., Minneapolis 8, Minn. A 6-page folder contains illustrated information on a power transistor that directly drives a servo motor, operates a speaker, handles numerous electrical switching operations, and has already been applied to the operation of a transistorized aircraft fuel gage. Included are data sheets giving preliminary specifications and characteristic curves for the 2N57 power transistor.

C-R Tubes. General Electric Tube Department, Schenectady 5, N. Y., announces availability of a new 40 page designer's booklet (ETD-985) on crt's for industrial and military applications. The booklet provides data on 24 standard GE tube types, and describes the company's engineering and production facilities available to meet specialized customer requirements. The tube types covered are used in oscilloscopes, radar indicators, industrial tv and tv studio monitors. Technical information in the booklet includes tube essential characteristics, gun design factors, and a description of standard phosphors covering color, persistence and spectral response.

Motor-Alternator. Electric Motors and Specialties, Inc., King and Hamsher Sts., Garrett, Ind. A recent piece of literature illustrates and describes the model HA-2 pre-cision-built $30-\mathrm{cps}$ motor-alternator. Included are applications, features, typical performance and standard dimensions.

Decade Counters. Hewlett-Packard Co., 3204 Page Mill Road, Palo Alto, Calif. A 4-page loose-leaf perforated folder illustrates and discusses

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Pulse Generators. Burroughs Corp. 1209 Vine St., Philadelphia 7, Pa. A simple guide to the speedy assembly of a variety of pulse testing systems is provided in a new 6-page brochure. The three generators described collectively cover a frequency range from 15 cycles to 4.5 me. The manner in which the units are assembled into logical pulse systems, without need for breadboarding special pulse circuits, is covered thoroughly. Making liberal use of block diagrams and pulse timing charts, the folder explains the basic functions of the individual building blocks, shows how they are assembled to form basic test tools such as square wave generators, pulse burst generators, pulse stretchers, pulse distributors, frequency dividers, pulse synchronizers and other practical systems.

Transmitting-Type Pentode. Penta Laboratories, Inc., 312 N, Nopal St., Santa Barbara, Calif. A 4-page catalog describes and illustrates the PL-6549, a $75-w$ dissipation alignedgrid pentode featuring good performance at low plate voltage, but also capable of good performance at relatively high voltage, for mediumpower applications. Included are electrical and mechanical characteristics, information on $r$-f and a-f operation, and maximum ratings.
Etched Circuits. Hastings Instrument Co., Inc,, Warwick, Va. Catalog No. 130 reveals the company's policy of designing, etching, plating and fabricating circuits, as well as assembling components. The singlesheet well-illustrated catalog lists applications and advantages of etched circuits, and gives tips on ordering.

Magnetic Field Measuring Equipment. Donald C. Seibert, Box 281, Wilmington, Del., is distributing descriptive information on the AEG (Allgemeine Elektricitaets-Gesellschaft of Frankfurt, West Germany) magnetic field measuring equipment. Features of the equip-

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Crystal Diodes. CBS-Hytron, Danvers, Mass. The second edition of the company's reference guide for crystal diodes is now being distributed. It lists 185 types of diodes; gives all basic data concerning them; and includes 18 dimensional diagrams.

Auto Radio Vibrators. American Television \& Radio Co., 300 E. 4th St., St. Paul 1, Minn., announces the availability of an auto radio vibrator wall chart which incorporates complete cross reference vibrator equivalent charts, vibrator specifications, base diagrams, and popular auto radio vibrator replacement types.
H-F Generator. Industron Corp., 50 Brook Rd., Needham Heights 94, Mass., has available literature on the company's new h-f generator which eliminates the need for a shielded room where dielectric heating devices are used by staying within the FCC-assigned 27 mc band. One- and two-kw generators, with accurately rated output and single dial selector for a complete range of sealing capacity, are described in the latest bulletin.

Servo Systems and Components. Feedback Controls, Inc., 1332 North Henry St., Alexandria, Va., has available its latest brochure on standard servo systems and components. Included are illustrations, listings of chief features, dimensional drawings and specifications for magnetic servo amplifiers, booster amplifiers, a universal operational amplifier, a d-c instrument servo amplifier and standard electronic servo systems.

Transmitter Equipment Bulletin. Allen B. DuMont Laboratories, Inc., Clifton, N. J. Bulletin TR-779 discusses the type 5411-A Diplexer, which permits simultaneous operation of both aural and visual trans-
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Time Delay Relays. The R. W. Cramer Co., Inc., Centerbrook, Conn., has released a 12-page production bulletin describing a line of time delays. Bulletin PB-310 covers adjustable time delay relays for panel mounting as well as fixed and adjustable units designed for built-in applications. Cutaway and exploded views provide a clear look at the design and application features. Load circuit operation tables, time ranges, dimension drawings and other pertinent information are also included.

Cutput Voltage Source. The Calidyne Co., Winchester, Mass. Bulletin 2354 illustrates and describes the model A23 Calivolter, a precision electrical instrument designed for use with an a-c or d-c voltage source. The Calivolter is to be used wherever accurate voltage measurements over a wide frequency range must be made. The bulletin lists advantages and features as well as specifications.

Differential Transformer Amplifier. Daytronic Corp., 216 South Main St., Dayton, Ohio. A singlepage bulletin is devoted to the model 400 differential transformer amplifier for the dynamic study of physical phenomena. Chief features, a block diagram and specifications are included.
F-M Tuner. Noroton, Delmenhorst, Fichtenstrasse 21, Germany. Now available is a 6-page folder on the ultra-short-wave built-in 12642 $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ tuner. An illustration, schematic diagrams and circuit are included. The unit described features 12 circuits: 3 preliminary circuits, an oscillator circuit and 8 i-f circuits. The bulletin lists the following tube types used : PCC84, EC92, EF42, EF41 and 2 diodes. The usw construction discussed fits organically into almost any type of receiver.

Millivoltmeter Pyrometers. The Bristol Co., Waterbury 20, Conn., has published a bulletin (P1244) on a complete line of millivoltmeter
pyrometers and accessories. Included are data on the model 580 indicating pyrometers for service up to $4,000 \mathrm{~F}$, indicating controllers with mercury switches or thyra-tron-operated relays, and portable indicating pyrometers. Also included are two-point and multiplepoint pyrometer switches for use when a single indicator is intended to monitor temperature measurements from more than one station. Model 580 described has a 7 -in. mirror scale for easy readibility, The indicator has also been incorporated into an electronic Free-Vane controller, which is pictured and described in the 12 -page bulletin.

Copper Alloy Precision Strip. Penn Precision Products, Inc., 501 Crescent Ave., Reading, Pa. A new 4-page bulletin presents general information on precision-rolled veryilium copper, phosphor bronze, nickel silver, chromium copper and copper strip. It describes material furnished to extremely close thickness tolerances ( $\pm 0.0001$ and $\pm 0.0002$ in.). The bulletin includes discussion of available alloys, sizes and tolerances together with tabular data on engineering properties.

Phone Jacks. Carter Parts Co., 213 W. Institute Place, Chicago, Ill., has released a new catalog sheet covering 21 types of IMP miniature phone jacks. The sheet includes mounting dimensions, circuit diagrams and complete descriptions.

High-Speed Relay. General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y., has available a new publication containing information on a high-speed relay "with a memory." Listed as GEA-6212, the bulletin describes the function and operation of the hermetically sealed, high-speed, polarized relay for electronic applications. In addition to information on various applications of the relay, the bulletin provides data on ratings, specifications and dimensions.

Precision Phase Meter. Advance Electronics Co., Inc., 451 Highland Ave., Passaic, N. J., has available a single-page bulletin illustrating and describing the type 405 phase meter, a simple and convenient device for studying phase relation-

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Electronic Timer. Ferrara Inc., 8106 W. Nine Mile Rd., Oak Park 37, Mich. The T-2 electronic timel is well illustrated and described in a recent 4-page folder. The instrument covered is designed for interval timing, timed delay, repeat cycling, programming and pulsing. Complete technical specifications with diagrams are included.

Impulse Magnetizer. Raytheon Mfig. Co., 100 River St., Waltham 54, Mass., has available technical and catalog data on its model 8100 impulse magnetizer, which has made possible the economical production of permanent magnets of special configuration. Illustrations, specifications and appications are included.

H-V Connectors. DedUR-Amsco Corp., 45-01 Northern Blvd., Long Island City 1, N. Y. A recent catalog sheet contains an illustrated description of the series 800 highvoltage connectors which were designed for critical applications where breakdowns tend to occur. The connectors described feature 3 $h-v$, removable center contacts surrounded by 12 fixed contacts. They are designed for AN36 shell. The catalog sheet shows mounting and clearance dimensions, and lists complete electrical and mechanical ratings.

Defense Electronics. Otis Elevator Co., Electronic Division, 35 Ryerson St., Brooklyn 5, N. Y., has published a 3-color 32-page report entitled "Electronics for Defense." It describes the combined experience and resources for research, development design and manufacture of electronic equipment which the company offers to the armed services and industry. Also explained are the organization's field service training programs.

Self-Locking Inserts and Tapped Holes. Banc-Lok Division, Boots Aircraft Nut Corp., Newtown Turnpike, Norwalk, Conn., has available a detailed diagrammatic catalog on

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Tubeless Magnetic Amplifier D-C Supplies. Sorensen \& Co., Inc., 375 Fairfield Ave., Stamford, Conn. Three models of tubeless magnetic amplifier d-c supplies are described in a recent data sheet. Input, output, load range, ripple, regulation accuracy, recovery time and size of each instrument are given.

Synchronous Motor. The R. W. Cramer Co., Inc., Centerbrook, Conn., has developed a new high torque synchronous motor which is described in bulletin PB-110. This 8 -page illustrated bulletin covers the complete line of the company's motors: the type 112 synchronous motor, type 142 clutch unit motor, and the type 152 dual motor. The bulletin provides complete detail about each type, including cutaway views, dimension diagrams, speed ranges, shaft details and construction schematics.

Transistor Design Sheets. Westinghouse Electronic Tube Division, P. O. Box 285, Elmira, N. Y., has available a 10 -page set of design sheets describing transistors and their application. Design data are given for three new Reliatron transistors pnp junction types 2N54, 2N55 and 2N56. General semiconductor theory is discussed and equivalent circuits and equations are derived for grounded-base, grounded-emitter and groundedcollector connections. Circuits for a phonograph preamplifier and an audio oscillator are shown to illustrate typical transistor applications.

Cold Casting Compounds. Thiokol Chemical Corp., 780 N. Clinton Ave., Trenton 7, N. J. Several trial formulations and properties of cold casting compounds based on the company's liquid Polymer LP-2 are described briefly in a 4 -page bulletin. The compounds discussed may

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Miniature Continuously Variable Delay Lines. Advance Electronics Co., Inc., 451 Highland Ave., Passaic, N. J., has published a single-page bulletin on a line of miniature continuously variable delay lines with less than $5 \times 10^{-10}$ second resolution time. Included are an illustrated description, schematic diagram and a table of specifications covering 11 different types.

Dynamotor Data. Gothard Mfg. Co., 2110 Clear Lake Ave., Springfield, Ill. A condensed catalog has been published on a line of commercial, military and mobile dynamotors. The new literature, bulletin No. 410, contains much valuable information on d-c to d-c power conversion as provided by the company's various units.
High-Resolution Radar. Sperry Gyroscope Co., Division of the Sperry Corp., Great Neck, New York. A new 6-page folder illustrates and describes the Mark 3 high-resolution radar. The unit described provides superior range resolution, its $0.10-\mu$ sec pulse length insuring extremely high definition at short ranges. It makes available a stabilized picture, or a stabilized azimuth ring plus a stabilized plotting surface. Technical data are included.

Audio Recording Services. The Dubbings Co., 41-10 45th St., Long Island City 4, N. Y. A new 12-page bulletin describes the complete range of tape and disk recording services offered by the company's audio laboratory for broadcast stations, sound studios, businesses, record companies, prerecorded tape firms and high-fidelity enthusiasts. The bulletin covers the various types of dubbings in use, and presents price lists for small and large quantities. Included are tape recording, multiple tape duplication, disk recording, disk masters and pressings, off-air monitoring and editing. The company's line of audio test products are also described. These include test records, test tapes and test level indicator.


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## Plants and People

Manufacturers acquire more companies and plan further plant expansions. Electronic engineers and management executives are promoted. The industry's technical societies elect officers and announce future plans

## Army Heads Visit West Coast Electronic Laboratories

Assistant Secretary of the Army Frank Higgins, center, began visits to west coast contract installations with an inspection of the Sylvania Electronic Defense Laboratory in Mountain View, Calif., a research facility for the study of electronic counter measures.

He was joined by Lieut. Gen. W. B. Palmer, left, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics and Supply and Brig. Gen. W. Preston Corderman, right, Chief E. \& T. Division, Office of the Chief Signal Officer, both of Washington, D. C.

They were guided through the installation by Henry Lehne, standing, director of the Mountain View laboratory.


## Motorola Buys Auto Radio Plant, Promotes Engineer

Motorola has purchased 60,000 sq ft of car radio tuner manufacturing facilities from Lee J. Drennan in Arcade, New York. The firm also appointed William Firestone assistant chief engineer of the research department of its Communications and Electronics Division.

The newly acquired plant will devote its entire production to supplying the company with car radio tuners. It will ship finished goods to
the Quincy, Illinois plant and the Canadian subsidiary in Toronto.

Because of additional production requirements, anticipated employment is expected to increase from the current 350 employees to 450 people. The payroll in Arcade is expected to be in excess of one million dollars per year.

William Bruyere has been named to continue in his capacity as plant manager. He will report to Walter
B. Scott, vice-president in charge of manufacturing for Motorola.

Dr. Firestone in his new research department position will have responsibility for specific phases of departmental administration. He will also continue in his present position as head of the advanced investigation section of the research department. This group is engaged primarily in vhf two-way radio research and pulse code work.

## WCEMA Councils Elect Officers for 1955

The Southern California and San Francisco Councils of WCEMA elected officers for 1955. Southern California elected Gramer Yarbrough as chairman for 1955. Yarbrough is assistant manager of American Microphone Co. in Pasadena.

Elected as vice-chairman of the

130 company association of electronic manufacturers is Hugh P. Moore, president of Acme Electronics of Monrovia. D. C. Duncan, vice-president and general manager of the Helipot Corp. in South Pasadena, was named secretary-treasurer of the group.

Directors of the association in-
clude Hugh F. Colvin, vice-president and general manager of Consolidated Engineering Corp. of Pasadena; E. P. Gertsch, president of Gertsch Products of Los Angeles; Paul R. Repath, president of Paul R. Repath Co. of Los Angeles and T. P. Walker, vicepresident of Triad Transformer


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Corp. of Los Angeles.
The San Francisco Council of the West Coast Electronic Manufacturers Association elected H. Myrl Stearns as chairman for 1955. Stearns is executive vice-president of Varian Associates of Palo Alto.

Elected to the position of vicechairman of the 180-company elec-
tronics association was Winfield G. Wagener, director of technical services for Eitel-McCullough of San Bruno. Calvin K. Townsend, vice-president and general manager of Jennings Radio of San Jose, was elected secretary-treasurer.

New directors of the association for 1955 are John A. Chartz, vice-
president and general manager of Dalmo Victor Co.; J. J. Halloran, vice-president and chief engineer of Electro Engineering Works; George I. Long, executive vicepresident and general manager of Ampex Corp. and Douglas C. Strain, president and general manager of Electro-Measurements.

## Navy Honors Electronics Engineer

James E. Gall was awarded the Navy's highest civilian award for his "outstanding" work in the development of improved electronic techniques and equipment and accomplishments in the field of signal analysis. He is now an electronics engineer with the Army Signal Corps in Washington.

The atvard was made by Assistant Secretary of the Navy James H. Smith.

The citation read in part, "The new and revolutionary signal analysis equipment development (made) on the basis of your endeavor has met with continuing success and has culminated in the production of valuable electronic equipment now in use by various components of the Armed Services."

Gall joined the Naval Research Laboratory in 1940, following work as an engineer with several radio


Assistant Secretary of the Navy James H. Smith, right, and James E. Gall
manufacturing companies. He transferred to the Navy's Bureau
of Aeronautics in 1950, and, in 1953, to the Army Signal Corps.

## GE Selects Haller As Labs Head, Plans Germanium Move



George L. Haller has been appointed manager of the laboratories department of GE's Electronics Division, according to an announce-
ment by the company.
GE also announced plans to center all engineering and manufacturing of germanium rectifiers and diodes at its Clyde, N. Y. plant.

Dr. Haller was dean of the College of chemistry and physics at Pennsylvania State University prior to his appointment. For the past two years he also has acted as a consultant to the laboratories.

The laboratories employ approximately 500 persons including 300 engineers and scientists. Its prime function is advanced development and investigations in the broad field of electronics, both civilian and military. Its projects cover such fields as transistors and other semiconductor devices, radar, color television, electronic computers, video tape recording and automatic assembly machines.

The Advanced Electronics Center at Cornell is engaged in several studies of the application of complex electronics systems and various aspects of automation.

The Microwave Laboratory in California is concentrating on the development and application of microwave electron tubes.

Dr. Haller was a radio engineer for Westinghouse from 1927 to 1929 and audio engineer for E. A. Myers \& Sons in Pittsburgh from 1929 to 1933, before returning to Penn State as a graduate assistant.

He remained at the university until 1935 when he became a radio engineer for the War Department at Wright Field where he served until 1942. From 1942 until 1946 he served in the Signal Corps and later the Air Corps.

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Raymond A. York was named manager of germanium diode and rectifier engineering.
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He joined GE in 1948. In his new position he assumes additional responsibility for complete engineering of diodes and rectifiers.

## Du Mont Sells WDTV, Realigns Executives



Television station WDTV in Pittsburgh was purchased by Westinghouse Broadcasting Co. from Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories. Shown at the signing of the purchase agreement are (left to right, seated) : C. J. Witting, president of Westinghouse Broadcasting; A. B. Du Mont, president of Du Mont Labs; (standing) E. V. Huggins of Westinghouse and Ted Bergmann of ' Du Mont.

The purchase price agreed upon was $\$ 9,750,000$. The sale, has been approved by the Federal Communications Commission.

WDTV was established by Du Mont and went on the air January 11, 1949. It was the first television station in Pittsburgh and still is the only vhf station there.

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The election of William H. Kelley as vice-president and general man-


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Kelley has served RCA in many important capacities. Later he went to Motorola where he was vicepresident in charge of sales. After serving that company for ten years, he joined Du Mont as vice president, marketing.

Scales moves into his new post after serving as sales manager for Du Mont's cathode-ray tube devision since 1950. He joined the commany in 1948.

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## RCA Plans New Lab, Names Two Generals

RCA PLANS TO ESTABLISH an engineering laboratory in the greater Boston area for the development of specialized electronic fire-control systems for military aircraft. The company also named Generals Smith and Richardson to executive posts in the corporation.
Robert C. Seamans, Jr, has been appointed manager of the new laboratory. Location of the new facility is still to be determined but it is expected to be equipped and in operation by early February. By the end of 1955 it will provide employment for approximately 100 scientists, engineers and laboratory personnel.

Dr. Seamans has been associate professor at M.I.T. since 1949 and for the past two years served also as director of the M.I.T. flight control laboratory. From 1941 to 1949 he was first instructor and then assistant professor of aeronautical engineering subjects at M.I.T.

General Walter Bedell Smith was elected a member of the board of directors of RCA. He is vice-chairman of the board of directors of the American Machine \& Foundry Company. He served as Under Secretary of State from February, 1953 to October, 1954.

Major General William L. Richardson, U.S. Air Force (Ret.) was appointed to the newly created post


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He assumes responsibility for overall coordination of the division's broad military programs and for policy planning affecting government-business operations.

General Richardson retired from military service in July, 1954. He served as Commander, Air Force Missile Test Center, Patrick Air Force Base, Florida from 1950 until his retirement. From 1946 to 1950 he was assistant for guided missiles to the Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, U. S. Air Force Headquarters, Washington, D. C.


## General Mills Selects Baller

Howard Baller has joined the staff of General Mills' engineering research and development department as manager of electronics research.

Since 1949 he has served as assistant manager of the electronics department for W. L. Maxson Corp. in New York. He was also head of that firm's research section and a member of the graduate faculty of Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute.

He has served two years as a physicist with the Naval Ordnance Test Station in Pasadena and three years as co-chief of development group in the electronics division of Fairchild Engine and Aircraft Corp. before joining the Maxson Corp. in 1949.

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The new Hallicrafters president joined the company in 1936 as executive vice-president. Prior to that, from 1930 to 1936, he was first comptroller and later secre-tary-treasurer and a director of the Echophone Radio Corp. of Chicago.
Before joining Echophone, from 1928 to 1930, Durst was secretarytreasurer of the Ahlbell Battery Container Corp.
The company also announced that Daniel F. Shea, Jr. has been named engineering laison executive of the government contract division.
For the past year and a half, Shea had been affiliated with the Hazeltine Electronics Corp. of Little Neck, New York as a senior project co-ordinator.


## General Radio Promotes Sinclair

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## Honeywell Buys Instrument Firm

Minneapolis-Honeywell has purchased all of the outstanding capital stock of Doelcam Corp. of Boston, Mass., manufacturer of precision instruments and control equipment.

The firm will be operated as a new division of Honeywell. There will be no change in the management, headed by John J. Wilson, president and founder of Doelcam.

The Boston firm employs more than 600 persons.

## Bendix Advances Three Executives

E. K. Foster, a vice-president and member of the administration committee of Bendix Aviation, has been named a group executive in charge of four divisions-Bendix Radio, Bendix Television and Broadcast Receiver, York and Cincinnati. He joined Bendix in 1936.

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## Huggins Receives Air Force Award

William H. Huggins was recently presented the Air Foree Decoration for Exceptional Civilian Service by Lt. General Thomas S. Power, Com-
mander of the Air Research and Development Command.

Dr. Huggins, who has been a professor of electrical engineering at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore since August, 1954, was awarded the decoration for his exceptional performance of duties as chief of the plans branch, directorate of electronics research, at ARDC's Air Force Cambridge Research Center, Cambridge, Mass., from January 1946 to August 1952.

The citation reads, in part, ". . . Mr. Huggins successfully established new approaches in the fields of electronics, hearing and communications. . . His many scientific achievements have had a profound and far reaching influence on the design of practical equipment for the United States Air Force."

## Arvin Establishes Military Division

Arvin Industries has formed an electronics products division to specialize in subcontract work on military and industrial electronic projects.

Leo W. Burns, with the company for more than five years in several different sales and administrative capacities, has been named sales manager for the newly formed division.

## Airborne Conference Attracts Engineers

More than 900 engineers and industrial representatives were at hand to inaugurate the first East Coast Conference on Airborne and Navigational Electronics held in Baltimore. Twenty-eight technical papers were presented by authors from fifteen separate industrial and government organizations. Thirtyone development and manufacturing companies displayed their products at the Sheraton-Belvedere hotel.

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## ElectroData

## Promotes Carpenter

Richard E. Carpenter has been promoted to chief production engineer of ElectroData Corp.

He has served as staff assistant to L. P. Robinson, ElectroData vice-president, since January, 1954 and will continue to report to Robinson in his new post. As production engineering chief, he will be responsible for translating computer and computer component development projects into manufacturing requirements.

Joining Consolidated Engineering Corporation as a production engineer in 1946, Carpenter was made staff assistant to the director of engineering in 1947, a post he held until recalled to active naval service during the Korean emergency.

Returning to Consolidated in 1953, he was made staff assistant


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## Polarad Electronics Expands Plant

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The existing plants in Brooklyn will continue to operate. The additional facilities will provide for increased manufacturing and engineering activity.

The company has opened up three new divisions for the manufacture and development of computers, Klystron tubes, and microwave components. Polarad's new plant will increase its engineering and production capacity by fifty per cent.

The administration and executive offices and engineering will be centralized in this plant.

## Ketay Buys Vari-Ohm Stock

Ketay Instrument has purchased the majority stock interest in the Vari-ohm Corp. of Amityville, Long Island, N. Y., manufacturers of potentiometers.

As a result of the purchase by Ketay, Vari-ohm is now expanding its facilities to permit larger volume production of its units.

Officers of the reorganized Variohm Corporation, now a subsidiary of Ketay, are M. Sherman, president; J. L. Daniels, who developed the units, executive vice-president and J. Stadler, secretary-treasurer. Sherman is a vice-president of Ketay and Stadler is secretary.

## Printed Circuit Firm Organized

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## Rod Advanced By Boque Electric

Robert L. ROD was promoted to assistant to vice-president of Bogue Electric Mfg. Co. He will assist John A. Herbst, vice presi-dent-engineering, in the administration of engineering activities.

Previously Rod was assistant director of research and development and headed the company's activities in the development of electronic devices. Before joining Bogue in 1951 he was associated with Melpar and Radiomarine Corporation of America.

## Aerovox Acquires Ceramic Firm

Aerovox Corp. of New Bedford, Mass. has acquired all outstanding stock of Henry L. Crowley \& Co, of West Orange, N. J., manufacturers of powder-irons and steatite products.

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## Gross Joins <br> Chem-Tronics

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Named to succeed Gross at Rohr is Hugh M. Rush, who has been assistant chief engineer for the aircraft sub-assembly firm.

## Hydro-Aire <br> Expands Electronics

Hydro-Aire, aviation subsidiary of Chicago's Crane Co., plans expanded activities in the electronics field. The formation of a new electronics division to be headed by Reagan C. Stunkel, formerly the firm's vice-president in charge of operations, is planned. Stunkel will take on full responsibility for the company's sales, research and development and manufacturing in the electronics field.

Robert J. Trivison has been appointed works manager for the firm. He was formerly production manager.

## President of Daystrom Joins Weston Board

Thomas Roy Jones, president of Daystrom, was elected a director of the Weston Electrical Instrument Corp.

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## ACF Industries <br> Acquires E\&R

ACF Industries has acquired the Engineering \& Research Corp. of Riverdale, Md. E \& R produces electronic and aircraft equipment and employs about 1,800 people. ACF has two other electronics companies as subsidiaries. They are ACF Electronics of Alexandria, Va. and Avion Instruments of Paramus, N. J.

## Pioneer Enters New Fields

Pioneer Industries of Reno, Nevada has entered the field of nuclear detection and is producing custom built scientillation counters for survey work. Another new division of the company for color television research is in process of formation.

Executives of Pioneer include W. E. Osborne, president, who until last summer headed Resdel Engineering Corp. of Los Angeles; J. R. Chown, executive vice-president, who has directed Pioneer since its formation; J. W. Braithwaite, also long with Pioneer but formerly from Marquardt Aircraft and R. P. Banaugh from the Livermore, California laboratories of the Atomic Energy Commission.

## Mettler Named By Honor Society

Ruben F. Mettler, systems department head at Hughes Aircraft and now on loan to the Department of Defense in Washington, has been named the outstanding young electrical engineer of 1954 by Eta Kappa Nu, Electrical Engineering Honor Society.

He was voted the outstanding young engineer "By virtue of his outstanding planning and develop-
ment of air defense control systems, his participation in civic affairs and his various artistic attainments. . ."

Certificates of honorable mention have been awarded to Lindon E . Saline and Leon K. Kirchmayer of GE, Edward E. David, Jr. of Bell Telephone Laboratories and Jackson F. Fuller of GE.

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## Teasdale Named

 By Tempco AircraftA. Robert Teasdale, Jr. has joined Temco Aircraft as chief of electronics design.

The new design chief will supervise design and installation of electronics systems and will report to G. B. Spaulding, technical director of systems design.

Teasdale was formerly with GE, the University of Texas and Convair,

## Preco Acquires <br> Two More Firms

Electra Motors and California Gear Co., both of Anaheim, California, were acquired by Preco of Los Angeles. Several months ago Preco also acquired ownership of Electron Products of Los Angeles, manufacturers of capacitors and filters.

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## Seneca Falls Machine Expands

Seneca Falls Machine Co. is constructing a new building adjacent to its main plant in Seneca Falls, New York to house its newly formed electronics division and to provide space for its engineering department. The new building is scheduled for completion about April 1, 1955.

## Brubaker Promotes Myers And Byall

Fred Myers, director of field engineering for Brubaker Manufacturing and former head of the design branch of the Electronics Division, Bureau of Aeronautics, has been elected vice-president of the Los Angeles firm.

Paul W. Byall, formerly controller of the company, was elected treasurer.

## Sperry Forms Aero Division

Sperry Gyroscope has formed a new aeronautical equipment division at the Great Neck, N. Y. main plant.

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aero division is Herb C. Bostwick, formerly engineering director for flight research. Current move is in line with a program begun last year of streamlining Sperry operations along product lines.

Bostwick began his career with Sperry in 1936 as an aeronautical field engineer. He served subsequently as aircraft armament manager, aircraft radio manager, and engineering director for flight research.


## IT\&T Promotes <br> General Leavey

Major General Edmond H. Leavey, U.S.A. (Retired), has been elected president of International Standard Electric Corp., overseas manufacturing subsidiary of IT\&T.

General Leavey joined IT\&T in 1952 as vice-president and since June, 1953 until his present appointment had been president of Federal Telecommunication Laboratories at Nutley, New Jersey. He is also a director of various IT\&T associate companies.

The firm also announced that R. J. Miller, former sales manager of rectifier equipment, has been appointed manager of the firms rectifier equipment product line. He assumes responsibilities for all engineering, manufacturing and sales functions of the department.

## IBM Appoints Defense Engineering Head

Charles F. McElwain was appointed director of defense engi-


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## Tsumeb Corp. Names American Metal

The American Metal Co. of New York, N. Y. is now selling germanium dioxide in the U. S. as sales agents for Tsumeb Corp. of the Territory of Southwest Africa. Production is on a modest scale at present but can be increased substantially if demand warrants it, according to the company.

## Potentiometer Firm Appoints Gangi

S. Gangi has been appointed general manager of the George Rattray \& Co., manufacturers of precision potentiometers in Richmond Hill, N. Y.

He is a graduate engineer with 25 years experience in the engineering and production of precision instruments and components.

## Electronic Research Expands Plant

The laboratory and manufacturing facilities of Electronic Research Associates of North Caldwell, N. J. have been moved to a new plant in Nutley, N. J. The new plant has more than double the space of the transistor equipment firm's previous plant.

## Bauman Joins Transco Products

Transco Products of Los Angeles, California, manufacturers of aircraft and electronic equipment, appointed Harold Bauman, formerly


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a vice-president of Standard Business Machine Mfg. Co., as chief engineer.

Before joining Standard, he was chief electrical engineer of Ampro Corp. and before that was a department head supervising electronic and electro-mechanical projects for Bell \& Howell.

## USECO Purchased By Litton Industries

USECO of Glendale, Calif., formerly known as U.S. Engineering Co., has been purchased by Litton Industries.

USECO has been a producer of electronic terminals and terminal boards and for the last year has entered into the fields of etched and printed circuitry.


## North Electric Appoints Ayers

Raymond W. Ayers, formerly executive vice-president of Allen D. Cardwell Co., has been appointed manager of the newly expanded industrial division of The North Electric Manufacturing Co. of Galion, Ohio.

## Lansing Adds Space

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## Electrical Transients

By L. A. Ware and G. R. Town. The Macmillan Co., New York, 1954, $222 p$, $\$ 4.75$.
Increasing use of pulse circuits in communications engineering has contributed a widespread interest in electrical transients among circuit designers. Engineering colleges have therefore tended to build post-war graduate courses in electronic circuit design around the study of transients and the methods of operational calculus required in their solution. Currently this trend has been extended to include the study of transients in the undergraduate curricula in electrical engineering.

## Scope of Book

This book is written to furnish a text for a senior-level course in electrical transients. Presumably it is intended for both communications and power majors although in content it seems slanted for the former group. The authors have based the book on course material used over a four-year period in senior electrical engineering courses although they indicate that the text might also be used by third-year students.

The book deals with finding the response of R-L, R-C and RLC circuits to alternating emf, compound, switching and transistor transients, nonsinusoidal applied emf and repeated discontinuous functions. It is liberally sprinkled with illustrative examples. The differential equations involved are solved by both classical and operational methods-often both methods are employed on a single problem.

## Contents

Chapter 1, 35 pages excluding problems, leads off with a definition of the transient problem and illustrative examples of finding the transient response $R-L$ and $R-C$ circuits when a direct emf is applied. Also presented is a discussion of the time constant and the voltage relationships in a simple sweep circuit. The classical method for


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solving differential equations is used.

A particularly lucid description of the Laplace transform is given in chapter 2. The method is introduced by analogy to the use of logarithms. One of the problems given in chapter 1 is reworked using the Laplace transform. Chapter 3 gives further examples of the use of Laplace transforms with classical solutions also given for comparison.

Response of R-L and R-C circuits to compound, switching and transition transients is dealt with in chapter 4 of 29 pages. The Laplace method is stressed although classical solutions also are shown. Circuits considered include the Lcoupled T section and capacitancecoupled circuit.

Chapter 5 concerns transient response of R-L-C circuits; chapter 6 deals with alternating applied emf while chapter 7 considers miscellaneous applied emfs.

Repeated and discontinuous emf functions such as the Morse dot, full-wave rectifier output sawtooth waveform, class-C amplifier pulse and half-wave rectifier output are treated in chapter 8 .

The final chapter considers the transient response of vacuum-tube circuits. Included are the R-C amplifier, video amplifier and cathode follower. The index has rather few entries but is perhaps adequate for a book of this type and length. The book includes only 85 problems, all of which seem quite instructive. However, an instructor seeking to establish adroitness in handling transients through an intensive problem-solving course might like to see more. The fact that answers are not given may discourage some practicing engineers from using the book for self-study to bring their knowledge of circuit design up to date.

## Conclusions

On the whole the book is readable, easily understood and worth reading both by students and engineers whose academic preparation antedates the introduction of courses in transient analysis. It seems quite adequate for a seniorlevel course in electrical transients and might indeed be within the

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## Quality Control

By N. L. Enrick. The Industrial Press, N. Y., 1954, 181 p, $\$ 4.00$.
IT IS my opinion that Mr. Enrick in writing his book for the practical man has overshot the mark in his effort at simplification. His philosophy, particularly in the earlier chapters, seems to be that some control is better than no control at all. While this can be accepted for the sake of expediency, I believe it extremely inadvisable to send the practical quality man into a factory with a false sense of confidence, especially in these days when engineers and supervisors have more than a casual interest in the statistical tools used in quality control.

## Defining Accuracy

It is very misleading where, on page 36 , he says "Where absolute accuracy is the aim" (referring to adjustment factors). It seems that this absolute accuracy referred to boils down to two sigma limits and I wonder how many statisticians or mathematicians will go along with this regardless of the number of standard deviations. The chart on page 112 falls into the same category where the computations to obtain sigma are shown. I doubt if this would find ready acceptance.

In the chapter on simplified analysis of variance Mr. Enrick had a golden chance to shine. The chapter proves interesting as far as it goes but I believe he could have gone further with it.

A more complete chapter on the mathematical derivation of the adjustment factors would help to satisfy those interested enough and who would like to put a little more than blind faith into it.

## Conclusions

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## Amplitude-Frequency Characteristics of Ladder Networks

By E. Green. Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co., Ltd., Marconi House, Chelmsford, Essex, England, 155 p, 1954, 25 shillings.

THE PRIME PURPOSE, essential scope and especial limitation of this text are well summarized in the author's opening remarks: "In the continually expanding field of communication there is need for design information on broadband circuits, which is more exact than that supplied by classical filter theory. In particular we require to know what is the best that can be done with comparatively simple networks. Recently a number of papers have dealt with the design of low-pass and band-pass filters (consisting of chains of resonant circuits) producing desired exact amplitude characteristics. The most outstanding of these is by Dishal Proc. IRE, 37, 1949, p 10, 50-69. It therefore seemed worth while to work out on similar lines a basic theory of the low pass ladder network which could be applied by wellknown analogies to the derived band-pass, high-pass and band elimination filters.
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This theoretical content is buttressed by a bibliography of 26 pertinent references; a noteworthy, carefully detailed listing and definition of the several score of symbols used in the text-which very useful item is omitted in most circuit books; and a friendly, pertinently remarked introduction by M. Dishal of the Federal Telecommunications Laboratories, who is a very active American worker on problems of network synthesis.

## Dishal's Introduction

A prime value of this book and a good indication of the gap it fills, are well-stated by Dishal, in his introduction: "It is particularly this generalized person-the designing engineer-who is most in need of this modern network theory design information, for he is the man who must not only deal with the general concepts and qualitative ideas re-


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## Reviewer's Opinions

Now Mr. Green is both one of the most active English writers on problems of network synthesis and a long-practiced design engineer (in Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co. Ltd.). Accordingly, it is to be anticipated that he is exceptionally fitted by experience both in exposition and in application-work to advance a well-integrated account of his subject. And, in fact, careful reading reveals that this book fulfills precisely such expectation. Thus, the development of the theory is lean in work. precisely-phrased, and well-detailed.

The illustrative examples are numerous, varied in nature and panoramic about application in practice; the results obtained are carefully discussed as to both freedom and limitation of use. Additively, the many charts, tables and graphs of the text provide a wealth of di-rectly-useful design data. Finally, the typography is excellent; the figures carefully drawn and labeled; the paper and binding, respectively, of excellent grade and workmanship.

## Conclusions

We have here an authoritative work on the particular topic evidenced in its title. It provides a good purview of the practical values of a mode of analysis that is as yet familiar to few. The reviewer recommends the book to the earnest attention of the graduate student, teacher, practicing design engineer, research and development worker, or any other who would familiarize himself with the theory and use of a branch of network synthesis which-though rooted in Darlington's classic paper published sixteen years ago (1939) -is as yet little familiar to the rank and file of

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By E. Rodenhuis. Philips' Technical Library. United States distributors, Elsevier Press, Inc., Houston 6, Texas, 1954. $150 \mathrm{p}, \$ 2.25$.

For those who design and build audio amplifiers, this is a practical and useful book of a type not found in this country. The considerable amount of material on the numerous Philips' tubes for a-f work is more voluminous than is found in any of our tube handbooks; when added to the chapters describing the actual layout and construction of several amplifiers, the book serves as a guide to the whole a-f art.

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All in all, this is a book which shows the reader how to choose the proper tube for a particular job and how to use that tube properly for best results.-K.H.

## THUMBNAIL REVIEWS

Plastics Engineering Handbook. Society of the Plastics Industry, 850 p , 1954, \$15 from Reinhold Publishing Corp., 430 Park Ave., New York 22, N. Y. Design, materials, processes, equipment, finishing, assembly, testing and standards of plastics and plastic products.
Miniature I-F Amplifiers. By R. K-F Scal. NBS Circular 548, 46 p, 1954, 40\%, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. Descriptions of three high-gain high-frequency i-f amplifiers ( 20 to 100 mc ), $\frac{1}{8}$ the size and $\frac{1}{2}$ the weight of equipment they replace, using subminiature tubes with low-noise input circuits.
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Editors Note: We agree that "adequate" sound quality is impossible to define and hope that current consumer interest in and appreciation of highfidelity audio will not reflect adversely on the public's impression of the quality obtainable from striped home movie film. It seems to us that the 2.5 million $8-\mathrm{mm}$ fans have long been awaiting even barely adequate sound.

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