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## SPECIFICATIONS

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Frequency Range: \(D C\) to 500 MC
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\(355 \mathrm{~B}, \pm 1 \mathrm{db}, \mathrm{DC}\) to \(250 \mathrm{MC}, \pm 2 \mathrm{db}, 250\) to 500 MC
Nominal Impedance: 50 ohms
Maximum SWR: 1.2 to \(250 \mathrm{MC}, 1.5\) to 500 MC
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| 30 CM | 1000 mc | 31/2"-4" | 2\% |
| 30 CM - 1\% | 1000 mc | $31 / 22^{\prime \prime} \cdot 4^{\prime \prime}$ | 1\% |
| 60 CM | 500 mc | 7"-8" | 2\% |
| 60 CM - 1\% | 500 mc | 7"-8" | 1\% |
| 100 CM | 300 mc | $10^{\prime \prime}-11^{\prime \prime}$ | 2\% |
| 200 CM | 150 mc | 26" | 2\% |
| 600 CM | 50 mc | 69" | 2\% |
| $8 \text { CM-glass } \begin{gathered} \substack{\text { fiber }} \end{gathered}$ | 3600 mc | $1^{\prime \prime}-11 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | 2\% |
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Response time of 0.2 second.
Input voltage: 105 to 125 VAC ,
single-phase.
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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2N658 | -24 | 5 | 50 | 40 | 2.5 | 60 | 12 |
| 2N659 | -20 | 10 | 70 | 55 | 2.5 | 65 | 12 |
| 2N660 | -16 | 15 | 90 | 65 | 2.5 | 70 | 12 |
| 2N661 | -12 | 20 | 120 | 75 | 2.5 | 75 | 12 |
| 2N662 | -16 | 8 | 25 min . | 50 | 2.5 | 65 | 12 |

Typical values at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ unless otherwise indicated
Dissipation Coefficients: In air $0.35^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{mW}$ : Infinite Sink $0.18^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{mW}$
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## ELECTRONICS NEWSLETTER

RUSSIA'S THIRD SPUTNIK, not yet launched at press time, reportedly weighs 5 to 6 tons. Its orbit around the carth may take it to the dark side of the moon. This was recently reported from Moscow by a Polish correspondent. He said the new Soviet sputnik will be put into orbit by a rocket much bigger and more powerful than those used in launching the first two. Its speed, he reported, will be great enough to put it in an orbit so far away that it will circle both carth and moon.

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE AGENCY recommended by President Eisenhower should have a three-part, comprehensive program, in the opinion of Hugh L. Dryden, director of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics. These would be: (1) an adcquate rescarch effort on space technology problems; (2) development and use of ummanned vehicles capable of carrying necessary scicntific data-gathering apparatus; (3) development and orderly use of man-carrying vchicles in the exploration of the solar system.

RELIABILITY must be engineered into weapons systems projects from the outset, Air Force Gen. C. S. Irvinc told the 1958 Electronic Components Conference in Los Angeles last month. He declared that (1) advanced findings of electronics research should be applied as quickly as possible and early test results fully
and carefully analyzed; (2) materials engineering should assure that metals, alloys, ceramics and plastics will withstand cnvironmental stresses; (3) mechanical engineering must not be a weak link in the chain. Irvine cited the need for automatic testing tools, checking equipment and more efficient instrumentation generally. In the case of the Atlas program, he said that only 30 percent of its cost went for missiles, with 70 percent for support gear. Firms that produce reliable, reasonably priecd components should get a fair share of the \$7 billion annual Air Foree outlay for hardware.

SOVIET SINGLE-STAGE ROCKET which rosc io 294-mil height Feb. 21 (Electronics, May 2, p 19), carried a barium titanate transducer to study micrometeor density. The Russians report that micrometcor movement was relj ably determined up to 186 mi , with 268 collisions registered between 78 and 186 mi .

## NEV MATERIAL FOR HIGH TEMPERA-

 TURE opcration "could play a major role in the solution of scvere reentry problems." That's what engineers John H. Lux of Haveg Industrics and Norbert 11. Noland of Reinhold Engincering and Plastics told last month's Canada-United States Chemical Engineering Conference in Montreal. Nose cones are already being made of the new material, described as a new class of compounds neither metal, plastic nor ccramic.

FIGURES OF THE WEEK
RECEIVER PRODUCTION

| (Source: EIA) | Apr. 18, 58 | Apr. 11, '58 | Apr. 19, 57 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Television sets, total | 76,118 | 76,954 | 78,269 |
| Radio sets, total | 158,588 | 183,461 | 266,707 |
| Auto sets | 42,605 | 61,024 | 94,406 |

## STOCK PRICE AVERAGES

| (Source: Standard \& Poor's) | Apr. 23,'58 | Apr.16,'58 | Apr. 24,'57 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Radio-tv \& electronics ...... | 45.49 | 44.76 | 51.27 |
| Radio broadcasters . ......... | 58.73 | 58.31 | 68.74 |

FIGURES OF THE YEAR Toats tor first wo months

|  | 1958 | 1957 | Percent Change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Receiving tube sales | 56,466,000 | 82,031,000 | -31.2 |
| Transistor production | 6,061,955 | 3,221,000 | $+88.2$ |
| Cathode-ray tube sales | 1,178,046 | 1,489,223 | $-2.1$ |
| Television set production | 804,396 | 914,887 | -12.1 |
| Radio set procuction | 1,903,418 | 2,350,294 | $-19.0$ |
| Tr set sales | 1,030,213 | 1,148,796 | $-10.3$ |
| Radio set sales (excl, auto) | 954,705 | 1,088,392 | -12.3 |



Electronic memory unit (left) activates paddle system (right) to unload conveyor belt as railroaders . . .

## Use Electronics To Sort

New transistorized system employing digital techniques solves costliest mail problem

Transistorized systeni using digital techniques for sorting parcelpost mail has been installed at Pennsylvania Railroad's Philadelphia terminal.

Railroaders say the new sustem, installed by Stewart-Warner, solves the costliest, most time-consuming problem of railway mail handling.

Problem: To sort parecls too large for mail sacks, and route them to the proper train.

Solution: Unsorted packages, ranging in size from egg crates to hand luggage, are placed on a 220 ft convevor belt. As cach item passes a coding station, two opera-

## Polaris Telemeter



First photo of Polaris hardware shows Polaris test missile's telemetering unit getting check out before being sent to Lockheed's test facility at Cape Canaveral for firing
tors signal memory svstem to indicate at what point each parcel should be muloaded. Svstem contains 39 removal points.

Code information is entercel into a buffer storage unit as binary coded bits. An electric eye beamed across the convevor belt senses passage of the pareel and transfers its coded unloading destination to a transistorized shift register.

As the pareel moves along the belt, coded information moves along the shift register. A decoder which is a large "and" gate synchronized witl the travel rate of the conveyor belt awaits the proper timing pulse.

When this occurs, a transfer mechanism in the form of a paddle is activated. The paddle pushes the parcel off the belt on to a right angle convevor. Waiting baggage trucks then pick up the parcels ancl move them to the proper train platform.

Manual sorting generally requires 15 ment. This svstem docs the job with five.

Previous practice allowed about 25 truckloads of mail to pile up before sorting. Crews worked at other tasks, rather than stop each time a truck arrived.

The new process allows sorting to complete itself once the main conveyor belt is loaded. Pennsy officials say arriving mail now makes the first train out.

It is reported several system pro-
posals are being studied by other railroads, warehouses, and mail order companies. It is expected the system will be used on sacked mail now processed manually.

Installations may appear in New York, Chicago and Washington. System is also under consideration in Los Angcles, Boston. and some large midwest cities.

## Transistor Output Up, Prices Down

'Transistor's tentil anniversary next month prompts a look at its growing market and dropping price levels. The trend to increased output and lower unit production cost continues this year.

Sonuc 13 million units valued at $\$ 37$ million were sold in 1956. By 1957 sales of more than 28 million units were worth $\$ 70$ million. This ycar, as volume continues to rise, a mumber of price reductions have been announced.

At least tivo companies lave recoutly cut prices ranging up to 25 percent on entertainment type germanium transistors. One says reductions are the result of increased output and new cconomics in production on some germanium types. The firm believes price cuts will spur usc of germanium trausistors for home entertainment sets.

Another firm cut prices about eight percent on scien pup alloyjunction types used primarily for audio-frequency amplifier, inter-mediate-frequency amplifier, broad-cast-band converter and push-pull amplifier service.

Conservative estimate of Electronics researchers for 1965 is a market for 400 million transistors worth $\$ 200$ million.

## Satellite's Eye Needs Tv Retina

Astronomers at the Princeton University Obscrvatory told Electronics in a recent interview that telescopic observation of the heavens from a satellite will require extensive to camera tube research. The problem, they say, is that light gathered from faint astral


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Digital Computer Intervention and Display System designed and fabricated by StrombergCarlson Company, a Division of General Dynamics Corporation, for the Air Proving Ground Center (ARDC) Armament Division, Eglin Air Force Base. The system is built around the CHARACTRON* Shaped Beam Tube, designed by Stromberg-Carlson for high-speed information display and micro-film recording.

## Where power supply dependability is vital

## Stromberg-Carlson specifies standard Lambda power supplies for Air Force Digital Computer Intervention \& Display System

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bodies cannot be detected using available tubes. What is needed is an image-orthicon tube witl a highgain semiconductor target that can buikd up a charge over a period of an hour and a half before scanning without appreciable leakage from globule to globule in the mosaic, the astronomers say. If such a tube can be developed, it is planned to use tv techniques to aim the telescope, focus the image received, and photograph the image from a ground installation.

In the Navy's Stratoscope project (Electronics, Jan. 10, p 24) also under direction of Princeton University Observatory, the entire servo system, used to compensate for telescope motion and relative movement of the sun, and the camera are contained in a balloon gondola. Since space and weight are at a premium in a satellite, however, it is more fasible to use a telescope in conjunction with a tv camera and transmit the field of view to ground observers.

Telescope positional errors will be detected on ty monitors and corrected from the ground. Instead of using a satellite-borne camera whose film might be affected by spurious radiations, the monitor sercen will be photographed. According to plams, the mosaic in the te camera will be read at a rate of one scan per sec. This will permit use of conventional telemetering channels for data transmission.


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## A-Plant Control Bill \$1.9 Million

Instrumentation and controls for the new full-scale civilian power ractor at Shippingport, Pa ., cost $\$ 1.9$ million, according to Westinghouse Electric Corp.

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## WASHINGTON OUTLOOK

Many military aircraft electronies contractors are complaining about Pentagon fiscal restrictions. 'There's talk about stretchouts in clelivery schedules, requests for delayed billings, postponed contract awards and payment delays.

Defense Dept. spokesmen deny that slow payment measures are in the works. They dismiss the charges as a campaign to force the Pentagon to boost progress payments back to last year's 100 percent rate on cost-reimbursement type contracts. Current rate is 80 percent.

The Navy's Bureau of Acronautics, however, is having serious fiscal problems. The agency is up against a tight budget cciling, is trying to slash cash outlavs betiveen now and June 30. It has put into effect a new policy holding back contract awards unless the contractor agrecs to forcgo progress payments at lcast until July 1.

- The Air Force denies talk of slow payments to contractors. "We are paying on timc," savs Asst. Air Force Secy. Lyle Garlock (Comptroller). "In fact, we're probably paying too promptly. In many instances we're paying the same day bills are tendered."

Nevertheless, there scems little doubt that the Pentagon has been forcing some aircraft electronics contractors to carry a heavy financial load ever since last year's budget-cutting drive. And despite the speedup in defense procluction scheduling and contracting, therc's no sign that the Defense Dept. will relax the restrictions on progress payments.

- No one denies that Defense Sccy. McElroy has set up expenditure targets for the military services. In effect, these are ceilings on spending; but Pentagon budgeteers stress their flexibility. The sum for fiscal 1958 , ending June 30 , is now $\$ 39.1$ billion-increased for the fourth time from the initial $\$ 38$-billion estimate.

Fiscal 1958 expenditures through March totaled $\$ 28.8$ billion, which leaves $\$ 10.3$ billion as the spending target for April-June. The \$10.3-billion figure is slightly more than April-June 1957 spending.

The target for fiscal 1959, starting July 1 , is now $\$ 40.4$ billion. This includes $\$ 7$ billion for aircraft, $\$ 3.4$ billion for missiles and $\$ 904$ million for communications and other electronics. The target, however, is almost certain to be raised again.

- The Air Force's Garlock has sounded a warning to contractors. He has asked companies to project long-range billing plans based on existing development and production projects. If projected expenditures forecasts are "out of line," the Air Force "would have to change" production schedules, he says. So far, this hasn't been done.
- Navy officials are touting the virtues of a new management control system. They give it part of the credit for the fact that the Polaris missile-and-submarine weapons system is two years ahead of schedulc.

Electronics contractors are among those in industry that are studying the management control system for their own use, Navy men say. Similarly, other military services and the Pentagon's new Advanced Rescarch Projects Agency are seeing whether they can use the system to keep control of their own rescarch and development projects.


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[^0]to the operators, running the safety circuits, providing reactor design information and protecting people in and around the plant from radiation lazards.

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The other reactor system provides information on core conditions: temperature data from thermocouples, flow and differential pressure data, location of failed fuel clements and presence of fission products in the coolant.

A second group of instruments covers all the "consentional" measurements of the water sustem. Shippingport is a pressurized water rcactor. Signals for control and alarm circuits are also supplied by thermocouples, thermometers and pressure instruments.


Molten zone of a gallimm arsenide rod is examined at Bell Labs during crystal growing

## Labs Pushing Intermetallics

Intermetallic compounds this year are showing new rescarch promisc for specialized device development. Indium antimony and gallium arsenide are among the compounds that may eventually find more widespread use in certain specific cliode and transistor applications, Electronics learns.

Onc recent research success, floating zone refining of intermetallics, was announced last month by Bell Telephone Laboratorics. Basic work was done on gallium arsenide, but scientists be-

## MILITARY ELECTRONICS

- Why Atlas' radio-inertial guidance system is virtually jam proof (Electronics, Apr. 25, p 14) has been further illuminated exclusively for Eiectronics.

Solution, according to a Cencral Electric official, lies in the use of coded antijam filters which reject interference.
R. L. Shetler, manager of the company's Missile Guidance Section, said the highlv-selective filters of a space, time and frequency nature make cnemy jamming execedingly difficult since the antijam devices are unique for each ICBM.

He aclded that jamming is made cuen more difficult because radio signals controlling the Atlas guidance system are only transmitted daring the first few minutes of the Atlas' flight, while the missile is over friendly territory.

- Support equipment for ballistic missiles and interceptor aircraft provides bigger business than do the actual weapous.
"Aproximately two-thirds of the money being spent on the IRBM and ICBM programs will be spent on the equipment required to handle, transport. test, chock-out and repair the missiles.
"In air defense, an ever increasing proportion of the moncy is going into dadar, communications and control sustems as opposed to the actual interceptor weapons," Gen. Thomas D. White, Chicf of Staff, USAF, told the American Ordnance Association in St. Louis recently.

Construction of two ICBM sitcs -one in the Offutt AFB, Omalia, area and onc near Fairchild AFB, Washington-is schecluled to begin before Oct.

The cost of each is estimated at S25 million.

Technical design of the missile facilitics will be uncler control of the AF Ballistic Missilc Division, Inglewoorl, Calif. Other aspects of the design and all construction will be accomplished through the Army Corps of Engincers.

- ARDC's Hyfmder crash locator beacon, equipped with parachute, automatically ejects itself from a doomed plane before crash, scts itself up for operation on land or sca, transinits SOS and homing signals on whf and h-f transmitters, and flashes a stroboscopic light 30 times a min that is visible for 25 mi. Produced by Hycon Manufacuring, the instrument package measures 3 ft by 8 in . and weighs 56 lbs. The telescoped antema shoots up $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{ft}$. A rubber raft inflates for landing in water and three hoavy metal legs extend for ground operation.
- SINS (Ship’s Incrtial Navigation System) for the first two Polaris submarines will be designed and built by Autonetics div. of North American. Sperry, which has responsibility for its SINS for the USS Compass Island and USS Observation Island, will, according to a high-ranking Navy spokesman, furnish several sizable items in the Autonetics svstem.
lieve the method should be applicable to a variety of componds that are thermally unstable at their molting points.

In the technique, a heat source such as an r-f induction coil is moved relative to a vertically supported rod, melting a liquid zonc as it moves. Surface tension supports the liquid zone. Usually, says Bell, a single crystal can be grown and purification achieved during
this zonc refining process.
Complicating factor in intermetallic crystal growing and purification is that composition of the liquid plase at the melting point is strongly dependent on the partial pressure of arscuic. In the zonerefining process, this is controlled by a scaled system containing cxcess arsenic and by regulating its minimum temperature.

Experimental crystals are com-

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## Tonotron picture of the Los Angeles Yacht Fiarbor

The Hughes TONOTRON tube presents a complete spectrum of grey shades. Result: high-fidelity picture reproduction. The illustration above, for example, is an unretouched photo of a typical radar display as viewed on the face of a TONOTRON E.I.A. Type 7033 Tube.

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parable in size to germanium or silicon crystals. Right now, purity level is somewhat below that of silicon, at about one part of inpurity per million.
Tcchnique should be most uscful with binary compounds in which only one component element has a considerable vapor pressure at its melting point, scientists belicve. They add that tlie compound must have a high enough electrical conductivity to permit heating by r-f induction. Furthermore, surface tension aud density of the molter material must be able to support a molten zone during the refining process.

## Sound Cleans Surgical Tools



Dried blood, bits of tissuc and other soils on surgical instruments arc removed by cavitation caused by ultrasonic sound waves (upper photo) generated in a new moclical washing machinc (lower photo) mannfactured by Acoustica Associates, Inc., of Mincola, N. Y.

The washer will clean 75 instruments in only 13 min. By hand scrubbing, 45 min are necessary to clean the same number.

The 25 -ke magnetostriction-gencrated ultrasonic signal unit differs from other ultrasonic units in that the output is pulsed; peak power is over 1,000 watts while average power is 400 watts.

## FINANCIAL ROUNDUP

- Reduction in interest rate charged by commercial banks to prime borrowers from 4 to $3 \frac{1}{2}$ percent in last fortnight is of more than passing interest to electronics industry. Rate reduction should speed up tempo of banks' buving of electronic equipment (Electronics, May 2, p 15). Savings in operating costs possible through electronic automation will be more attractive than ever with future gross revenue headed for a drop under impact of lower interest rates. Actually only an exclusive circle of top credit risks quality to borrow money at prime bank interest rates. But the interest rates charged to other customers usually drop with the prime rate.
- Technitrol Enginecring, of Pliladelphia, and L \& O Research and Development, Wayne, Pa., plan to merge sometime this year. Tcchnitrol and $\mathrm{L} \& \mathrm{O}$ will exchange common shares. Further financial details were not diselosed. A. F. Carcy, L \& O president, has become vicc-president of Tcchnitrol, the acquiring company which makes data processing equipment and components. The to-beacquired firm is in the data recording and facsimile ficlds.
- Ampex Corp., Redvood City, Calif., plans to split common stock $2 \frac{1}{2}$ to 1 . Split, voted by boatd of directors, is subject to approval by
shareholders in August. Stock was recently quoted at $57 \frac{1}{2}$ bid over-the-counter. There are 734,265 sliares outstanding. Redwood firm manufactures magnetic tape recording equipment. It owns a 25 percent interest in Orradio Industries of Opelika, Ala., maguctic tape manufacturer.
- Itek Corp., of Boston, and Vectron Corp., Waltham, Mass., will submit merger plans for stockholder approval in next two weeks. Marged firms will operate under name of Itck Corp. and plan, within a year, to consolidate all activitics in Vectron's Waltham plant. Itek does enginecring research in graphic information processing. It recently acquired facilities and staff of Boston University's Physical Researcli Labs. Vectron manufactures electromechanical and clectronic equipment.
- I T \& T plans to issue $\$ 28.7$ million of 25 year convertible subordinated debentures. Terms of proposed financing call for stockholders to be offered right to subscribe to debentures at rate of $\$ 100$ principal amount for cach 25 shares of capital stock. Interest rate, common stock conversion prices and subscription price will be determined shortly before the offering is made. Kuln, Loeb \& Co. of New York City will head the underwriting group.


## Aircraft A-Power Program Widens

AEC expects to make first tests late this year of nuclear reactor systems being developed for rocket propulsion. Flight tests of atompowered rockets would come after 1960.

Buildings to house the instru ments associated with the field testing are now being constructed in atomic weapons test areas.

Unofficial sonices predict the project will culminate in missiles able to circle the carth constantly,
except for maintenance landings. The salune sources say elcetronic guidance for such a seapons system is feasible.

The rocket program is part of the AEC's aircraft reactor propulsion program, which cost AEC $\$ 87$ million in rescarch and development in fiscal 1957.

National Advisory Committec for Acronautics is building a reactor for its stucly of nuclear aircraft problems. Rated at 60,000 kilowatts, it will be one of the most powerful research reactors ever built.

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has been avarded to Lecds \& Northrup. Among the instruments NACA will get are a therimal computer to measure the reactor's heat output and a powcr limiting sustem made with both transistors and magnetic amplifics.

## Phototube Control Sets Printed Page

Hiding out in a print shop during World War II, two members of the French underground, with plenty of time to watch and observe printers and typesetters, came to the conclusion that something shoukd be done about applying modern technology to the print shop.

And they sct to work to update Gutenberg

These men, Louis Moyroud and Rene Higonnct, eventually came to America and contacted Vannevar Bush. He sent them to MIT. From that point, they began to perfect an automatic typesctting machinc.

A matrix disk contains the type fonts. Electronic gates fire the matrix for rough positioning, and a thyratron trigger from a phototube controls the type image,


## Gnat Gyros for Small Missiles

Tiny gyros, used in guidance of Army Hawk and Navy Sparrow III missiles are in mass prodaction at Raytheon. Each gyro gets 100 assembly and test operations
which is recorded on film. The automatic typesetter sells for $\$ 50$, 000 and may cut composing-room costs in half.

Shown in New York, this automatic typesetter and composer is manufactured by Photon, Inc., of Cambridge, Mass. The company
already has a backlog of orders. The typist can set 16 fonts in twelve point sizes. Computers take care of complicated area composition, type justification and the vast numbers of hand operations formerly required to prepare type for the printed page.

## MEETINGS AHEAD

May 12-14: Instrumental Methods of Analysis, ISA Annual Symposium, Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, Houston, Texas.

May 12-14: National Aero \& Nav. Elec. Conf., PGANE, Biltmore Hotel, Dayton, Ohio.

May 12-15: Eighth Annual Rescarch Equip. Exhibit and Instrumentation Symposium, PGVVE-IRE National Institute of Health, Bethesda, Md.

May 13-15: Comumnications Section of the Assoc. of American Railroads, 3 th Annual Meeting, Hotel Muehleback, Kansas Citv, Missouri.

May 13-15: Radio Tech. Comm. for Marine Services, Spring Assy, Ben Franklin Hotel, Philaclelphia.

May 13-15: East Central District Meeting, AIEE, Pritchard Hotel, Huntington, West Virginia.

May 19-21: Electronic Parts Distribu-
tors Show, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Clicago.

May 19-23: International Convention on Nicrowave Valves, Institute of Electrical Engineers, contact secretary, Savoy Place, London.

May 21-23: Euergy Instrumentation Comf., Automatic Controls Applied to Gas, Electric ancl Steam Systems, 1S $\wedge$, New York City

May 27-28: Second EIA Conf. on Maintainability of Electronic Equip., Univ, of Penn., Phila.

Iune 2.4: National Telemetering Conference, AIEE, ISA, ARS, Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore, Md.

June 2-4: Automation and Computers, Short Course and Conf., Univ. of Texas, College of Enginecring, Austin, Texas.

June 4-6: Armed Forces Communica tions and Electronic Assoc., Exhibit,

Hotel Sheraton Park, Washington, D. C.

June 5-6: Second Natl. Conf. on Production Techniques, IRE, PGPT, Hotcl New Yorker, N.Y.C

June 9-13: Technical Vriters Iustitute, Sixth Annual Symposium, Rensselaer Polytcchnic Institute, Troy, N. Y.

June 9-13: Antomation Seminar, Fourth Annual, Penn. State Univ, Peun.

June 10-13: Sixth Annual Meeting, Human Engineering Institute, Stamford, Conn. Contact Roland C. Casperson.

June 16-18: Electrical Contact Seminar Div., Pemn State Univ., Penn

June 16-18: Military Electronics Second National Convention, Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, D. C.

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| 2N426 | Computer | 100 | 18 | 25 | 400 | 85 | 5 | 40 | - | - | 2N269, 2N395, 2N579 |
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## SPECIFICATIONS

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Attenuators: Switched 20, 20, 10, 6 and 3 db , plus continuously variable 6 db .
Sweep Output: Regular sawtooth, synchronized with sweeping oscillator. Amplitude 7.0 V approx.
Power Supply: Input approx. 100 watts, 117-V ( $\pm 10 \%$ ), 50-60 cps ac. $\mathrm{B}+$ electronically regulated.
Dimensions: $91 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 191 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 13^{\prime \prime}$.
Weight: 34 lbs.
Price: $\$ 795.00$, f.o.b factory.


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# Sylvania's revolutionary Framelok construction marks the era of mass produced "Frame Grid" Tubes 

## Frame grid history is a Sylvania history

Beginning with its earliest handmade frame grid, Sylvania has concentrated engineering effort on frame grid design and development. From this experience, comes the Framelok Grid, a revolutionary design which makes it possible to mass produce frame grid tubes for the first time.

First tube to incorporate the Framelok Grid is the Sylvania Type 6FH6-a beam power pentode designed for Horizontal TV Deflection.

## Framelok Grid is self-aligning

In the Framelok Type 6FH6, grid alignment is accomplished with unprecedented ease and precision. Sylvania's unique construction draws grid laterals taut; grid wires are arranged in a ladder sequence, normal to the axis of the grid. Precise frame construction and close mica tolerances make perfect alignment automatic.

## Higher Plate-to-Screen Current Ratios

Framelok tubes are more efficient as a result of precise grid alignment. Plate-to-screen current ratios substantially greater than those of present types
can be achieved-requiring less screen power for optimum performance. Thus improved horizontal scan performance can be realized.

## Higher Dissipation

Less required screen grid power for a given plate power automatically reduces the dissipation requirements of the Framelok Grid. And since the Framelok Grid has greater mass it is more capable of dissipating heat. These factors, contributing to inherently lower grid emission, make it possible to achieve higher peak plate currents before dissipation becomes a limiting factor.

## Mount is more rugged

Unlike ordinary grids, strength of the Framelok Grid comes from its rigid frame and is independent of the grid wires. This rigidity is transferred to the mount assembly, reducing life failures resulting from grid warping or bowing.

## More uniform transfer characteristics

More precise grid construction, more uniform element spacings, and more rugged mount assembly,


Here are a few highlights of the mechanical


A Straight line geometry of grid side-rods in present grids is considerably weaker than the double-box configuration formed by frame grids. Distortion due to mount "twist" is virtually nonexistent in the frame grid structure.

B Sylvania's new Framelok construction eliminates brazing and adapts the frame grid to automatic production. Grid halves are perfectly flat-free from thermal strains.


Many grids look like one! The inherent alignment capabilities of Sylvania's Framelok Grid are demonstrated by the ease with which the laterals of any number of separate grid

halves can be lined up. Perfect alignment means higher efficiency-greater flexibility in the selection of grid wire diameters for optimum performance.
add up to closer control over tube transfer characteristics. Narrower control of limits of course means less critical circuitry, and a more stable and reliable performance in the end product.

## Application potentials are wide

To meet the heavy operational requirements of horizontal deflection tubes, the first Framelok tube to be announced is the Horizontal Deflection Type 6 FH 6 .

The adaptability of this grid is such that application of Framelok tubes should quickly extend to vertical TV deflection, video, audio, and a wide range of low and medium power uses in the frequency range below UHF.


Uniform transfer characteristics of the Framelok Grid tube result largely from greater control of both major and minor dimensions of the grid. Above is a graphic representation of variations in characteristics which result from distortion of the minor dimensions in wound grids. Since both major and minor are fixed in the rigid frame grid, these variations are virtually eliminated.

## superiority of the Framelok Tube



C Self-alignment is accomplished in the Framelok Grid through precise control of the distance between the mica and the first grid lateral wire. These tolerances in the frame grid are held in the order of one tenth of one thousandth of an inch-considerably tighter than ordinary grid tolerances.


D Mica slots are designed with flat alignment surface and channel index to position grids with much greater precision. Closer element spacings are possible where extra Gm is required.


Sylvania's unique technique of frame grid construction makes it possible to duplicate grid after grid. More uniform spacings produce a more uniform electrostatic field in the tube.

## The SYLVANIA

## FRAMELOK

## TYPE 6FH6

## Highly efficient horizontal deflection tube

Proved in pilot and now being planned for mass production, the Framelok Type 6FH6 is the most efficient tube ever designed for horizontal deflection service.

It provides design engineers with a new flexibility in circuit design because of the high zero-bias plate-to-screen current ratio. This permits the tube to be driven harder at a lower screen dissipation.

The 6FH6 supplies increased power output because plate voltage can swing to a very low value without encountering unduly high screen grid currents. Higher screen voltages can be maintained at lower dissipation levels resulting in higher output peak
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| 8.2-12.4 | 220 |  | 250 |
| $12.4-18.0$ | 219 |  | 270 |


| Frequency <br> (kmc) | Connectors <br> (One Male, <br> One Female) $)$ | Narda <br> Model | Price |
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Also available 3 amps at 29 volts d-c, 2 amps at 115 volts a-c 400 cps non-inductive or 1 amp inductive.
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## Initial Contact

Resistance -0.05 ohms maximum
Contact Drop -1 millivalt maximum at low level rating, initial and during low level miss test

## Operate Data:

D.C Coil Resistance-up to 10,000 ohms

Nominal Power- 1.2 watts
Pull-in Power - 240 milliwatts (standard)

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100 \text { milliwatts (special) }
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Operate Time -5 milliseconds max.
Release Time -3 milliseconds max.

## Dielectric Strength:

1000 volts rms at sea level
500 volts rms at 70,000 feet
350 volts rms at 80,000 feet

## Insulation Resisiance:

10,000 megohms minimum of $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

## ENVIRONMENTAL FEATURES

## Vibration:

5 to 10 cps at 0.5 inch double amplitude 10 to 55 cps at 0.25 inch double amplitude
55 to 2000 eps at 20 g
Shock: 100 g 's operational - 200 g 's mechanical
Ambient Temperafure: $-65^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

## MECHANICAL FEATURES

Weight: 0.5 ounces

## Terminals:

Hooked Solder - Plug-in - Printed Circuit

## Mountings:

2 or 4 hole brackets at base or center of gravity
1 or 2 stud on top or side of housing

## MILITARY SPECIFICATIONS

MIL-R-25018 - MIL-R-5757C

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## A tape tie-in banishes frequency-response limitations and saves paper

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Actually Ampex has a wide range of tape speeds and tape slowdown ratios available. Tapes can be recopied once or even twice multiplying these ratios accordingly.

| TYPICAL TAPE SLOWDOWN (OR SPEEDUP) RATIOS |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AMPEX MODEL | Basic <br> speed <br> ratlo | First <br> recopy | Second <br> recopy |
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| FR-100 | 32 to 1 | 1024 to1 | 32,768 to 1 |
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## How Magnets Help Solve Your Measurement Problems

This is a review of how magnets, magnetic devices and magnetic phenomena can be used to solve certain measurement problems, to improve production efficiency and to cut manufacturing costs.


Highly accurate and efficient measurement is an essential part of modern manufacturing. Today's mass production techniques require speedy analysis of conditions and dimensions of parts and materials. Literally hundreds of measurement problems are being solved effectively with instruments and devices that employ magnets.

## ELECTRICAL MEASUREMENTS

Most common of the uses of magnets in measurement is in electricity-in such devices as ammeters, voltmeters, voltage protectors, KVA meters, power factor meters, arc-back indicators, limit and flow switches, frequency meters, galvanometers and oscillographs. In the ammeter there is either a stationary coil and a magnet that rotates when a current is passed through the coil, or a stationary magnet and a moving coil. The voltmeter is similar, with a high resistance in series with the coil.
Also similar is the galvanometer, but it is much more delicate and sensitive. An oscillograph is a special form of moving-coil galvanometer. Potentiometers, which measure small electromotive forces, consist of a circuit of resistances and a galvanometer. Frequency meters depend on the effect of the currents in two shunt circuits on a moving coil. One circuit contains in. ductance and the other capacitance.

Magnets in galvanometers and oscillographs combine with electromagnetic waves and electrons to provide integrated and recorded measurements, often remote from the locations of the measurements.

## LINEAR MEASUREMENTS

Even the most simple linear measurements are assisted by magnets - by magnetic bases on height gauges, indicators, dials, roundness gauges, carpenter levels and magnetic plumb-bob. The thickness of a non-magnetic coating on iron can be determined by measuring the gap between the magnet in a tester and the iron object.

Radar sends out a high-frequency electromagnetic wave which is reflected back from the target to a receiving antenna. Speed of the wave is known, so that distance can be determined by measuring the time between emission and reception of the wave. The heart of this instrument is the magnetron vacuum tube, which depends on a high-intensity, uniform, permanent magnet field. Sonar is similar to radar except that its energy is in ultrasonic waves of 10 to 40 kilocycles.
Distance is also measured by proximity fuses and switches. The fuse depends on a permanent magnet generator for energy. It sends out a signal which is reflected by the target to actuate a firing mechanism; thus, a direct hit is not necessary. In the switch,
a magnet is attracted to any iron or steel that comes near, closing the switch.

Direction can be measured by the aircraft direction indicator, the compass and the remote-reading compass transmitter. All these devices depend on magnets.

## AREA MEASUREMENTS

Applications of magnets in land measure are numerous. We have magnetic maps, charts and markers, and vast areas are surveyed and measured by radar and sonar.
In the future it is likely that televi. sion, which uses magnets for focusing, ion traps and loudspeakers, will be used to measure areas.

## VOLUME MEASUREMENTS

Liquid-level indicators and float switches often transmit the motion of a float to the indicating mechanism by magnetic attraction. In flow meters, volume of liquids and gases may be measured through a seal by such devices as a permanent magnet rotor turning in a venturi, a rotor in a liquid cutting flux lines of a magnet, molten metal flowing through a pipe and cutting magnetic flux, a magnetic clutch between a float and a recording mech. anism.

## TIME MEASUREMENTS

Permanent magnets are contributing much toward accuracy and ruggedness in actuators, clutches and brakes in clocks, timers, timing motors and traffic signals.

## TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS

Magnets are used extensively in pyrom. eters, which are thermocouples connected to galvanometers calibrated in degrees. The optical thermometer employs a magnetic ammeter and in other thermometers magnets indicate the maximum or minimum temperature in a period. In many thermostats, magnets accelerate the contacts to increase accuracy and life.

## SPEED MEASUREMENTS

Two of our best known modern instruments are the speedometer, based on
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## NEW MEASUREMENT INSTRUMENTS

There are possibilities for the development of new measuring instruments, based upon the following magnetic phenomena:
1 Magnetostriction effects, such as the change in length and volume of a rod when magnetized; the bending of a magnetized rod; the twist in a rod in a magnetic field; the change in magnetic induction of a rod under stress in a magnetic field.
2 The production of characteristic sounds and vibrations of bodies in a magnetic field; changes in period and frequency of vibrating bodies in a magnetic field.
3 Changes in apparent resistance of conductors introduced into a magnetic leld.
4 Changes in thermal conductivity of metals when exposed to a magnetic field; changes in permeability of magnetic materials; changes in boiling points and specific heats of some substances in a magnetic field.
5 The plane of polarization of light can be rotated by a magnetic field; double refraction of light has been observed in several mediums subjected to a magnetic field; similar effects occur with electromagnetic waves.
6 Transformations that occur in pure metals and alloys are affected by magnetic fields.

The foregoing discussion is condensed from an article which appears in "Applied Magnetics," Vol. 2, No. 4. Write for your free copy. If you would like to explore any of the possibilities discussed in the article, Indiana's engineering staff will be glad to offer rec ommendations and consultation.

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Scope Trace at Right Shows Superiority of New 7025 Twin Triode
You can see by comparison the greatly reduced noise output of the new General Electric amplifier tube. A single, identical tap was applied externally 10 a $121 \lambda 7$ and 10 a 7025 , both representative tubes from current production. Vertical measurement is plate voltage . . . horizontal measurement is time. Conditions: $E_{b}: 250 \mathrm{v}, \mathrm{K}_{1}: 10 \mathrm{~K}, \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{c}}:-2.5 \mathrm{v}$.

## Military Equipment Builder Finds G-E 7077 Ceramic Triodes Have Mean Noise Figure Below 5 db!

Using a high-performance test circuit of advanced design, the research laboratory of a large manufacturer of military equipment has found that a sample lot of G-E 7077 RF-amplifier ceramic triodes show the mean noise figure of 4.6 db at 16 db gain. Tubes were operated at 500 megacycles.

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## TYPICAL OPERATION GROUNDED-GRID AMPLIFIER-450 MEGACYCLES

| Plate Supply Voltage $\ddagger$ | 250 | Volts |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Resistor in plate circuit (by-passed) $\ddagger$ | 18000 | Ohms |
| Cathode-Bias Resistor | 82 | Ohms |
| Plate Current | 6.4 | Milliamperes |
| Bandwidth, approximate | 7 | Megacycles |
| Power Gain, approximate | 14.5 | Decibels |
|  | 5.5 | Decibels |

$\ddagger$ Lower supply voltage and a lower value of resistor may be used in the plate circuit with some sacrifice in uniformity of performance.

TYPICAL GROUNDED-GRID AMPLIFIER CIRCUIT USING THE 7077


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# Radio Waves Power Transistor Circuits 

Energy storage system supplies all power requirements for specially designed transistor circuits. Operation consists of receiving and rectifying r-f radiation, storing resultant d-c energy and releasing the energy as required to associated circuits. Unique dipole rectifier provides efficient antenna-toreceiver coupling for frequencies above 50 mc . Energy sources can be special purpose transmitters or commercial broadcasting stations

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RAPID ACCEPTANCE of transistors is largely the result of their low voltage and current re-quirements-a few microwatts being sufficient power for many applications. The system discussed here derives all power required to operate various types of transistor circuits from electromagnetic energy radiated by distant sources.

Although system details depend somewhat upon the intended application, certain design features are common to any application. These
are: one or more circuits for the reception and storage of electromagnetic energy, a circuit for the detection and amplification of an information signal and a load to use the stored energy.

## Power Circuit

A transistorized receiver using a radiant energy power circuit is shown in Fig. 1. All input signals are applied to information coupling coil $L_{1}$ and power coupling coil $L_{2}$ simultaneously; however, each circuit can be tuned to the same or
different operating frequencies. After being detected by a parallel resonant circuit consisting of coil $L_{3}$ and variable capacitor $C_{1}$, the incoming $r$-f signal is rectified by diode $D_{1}$ and the resultant d-c voltage applied to storage capacitor $C_{2}$. When charged, capacitor $C_{2}$ becomes the sole power supply for the receiver.

The storage capacitor should be of the high quality, low-leakage type. For maximum power absorption and use, the power circuit should be broadband tuned, tightly


FIG. 1-Broadcast receiver. Specially constructed tuning coils are used but can be replaced by standard coils. Antenna and power circuits are designed to operate at all communications frequencies
coupled to the antenna and impedance matched to the load. Additional storage circuits, tuned to the same or different signal sources, may be used to obtain increased power at a common output.

## Antenna Considerations

For signals below 50 mc , a conventional antenna 50 to 150 feet long, elevated as high as possible and positioned perpendicular to transmitter-receiver line of sight is recommended. A radiant energy power circuit fed by a $100-\mathrm{ft}$ antenna which was 12 ft above the ground, in a suburban area and approximately $1 \frac{1}{2}$ miles from a 1 kw , $1,600 \mathrm{kc}$ transmitter delivered 0.9 mw to a 9,000 -ohm resistive load. The open circuit potential across the storage capacitor was five volts. A large loop antenna with one side facing the transmitter is also recommended.

For signal sources above 50 mc a resonant folded dipole rectifier system is used. Functionally, the antenna system operates like the center-tapped secondary winding of the transformer in a full wave rectifier circuit. This is done by connecting two output terminals of the dipole directly to the cathodes of individual diode rectifiers as shown in Fig. 1. The two anodes are tied together and coupled to the zero potential point at the back of the folded dipole through an r-f filter capacitor.

Since diodes $D_{2}$ and $D_{3}$ form a partially reactive load, the antenna
is designed to resonate at the desired frequency with the rectifier circuit in place. Because the r-f potential across capacitor $C_{4}$ is essentially zero, unmatched lines may be used to draw d-c power without detuning the antenna. High rectification efficiency is necessary; therefore, the diodes should have a low capacitance, high back resistance and low forward resistance.
Several radiant energy power dipoles can be connected in series
or parallel to increase d-c voltage or current as required. When such a multiple system operates at the same r-f signal frequency, the antennas must be properly spaced for maximum system gain. An experimental arrangement using three dipoles is shown in Fig. 2.

An array of three series-connected, three-unit dipoles feeding the same load delivered a total of 3 mw and charged a two microfarad capacitor to 54 volts. Since a lower voltage was desired for transistor circuits, the units were connected in series and parallel across the capacitor to obtain an 8 -volt potential.

## Information Circuit

Information receiving circuits shown in Fig. 1 can be tuned to the power signal frequency or to some other selected frequency. In either case the modulation of an incoming signal is detected by diode $D_{4}$ and fed into transistor amplifier $Q_{1}$. Basic information circuit requirements are high selectivity, low power drain on the capacitor with zero input signal and efficient energy transference to the load.

High-Q circuit elements should be used to provide high selectivity.


Dual-circuit receiver shown here converts radiations from strong local stations into power necessary to amplify signals from weaker or more distant stations. When both the information and power circuits are tuned to the same station, the signal is amplified by the power derived from the station's r-f carrier


FIG. 2-Multiple dipole antenna. This combination delivered one milliwatt to $\alpha 2.500$-ohm resistive load when tuned to a $189 \mathrm{mc}, 50 \mathrm{kw}$ transmitter located approximately one mile away. A similar array was capable of producing a total of 3 mw of power and charging a $2-\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor to 54 v


FIG. 3-Emergency receiver and alarm device. By pretuning information circuit to Conelrad's 640 or 1,240 -kc emergency frequencies. civil defense broadcasts can be received regardless of availability of local power sources


FIG. 4-Transponder. Power received at some specific frequency is used to energize the transistor oscillator at a different frequency thereby making it useful as a device for detecting position of aircraft or any other object capable of housing such a device

When the same antenna is used for both power and information signal reception, all signals should have similar magnitude at the amplifier input. To avoid saturation and distortion of the signal in a high-gain amplifier, the signal having the greatest field strength at the receiver is attenuated by absorbing most of the signal strength in the energy collecting circuit. Selectivity can also be increased by trapping strong signals occurring near the desired information frequency being transmitted.

In switching circuit applications, transistor $Q_{1}$ is biased for the lowest collector current which will operate the load device with a given signal input. A minimum leakage current is necessary for maximum efficiency of energy storage and use.

Large zero-bias collector current limits the capacitor charge and precludes use of low-current relays which are desirable in certain applications. To further conserve power, audio amplifier $Q_{2}$ should be operated class $A$ at the minimum collector current.

## Load Considerations

An unmodulated carrier, transmitted at the resonant frequency of the power signal receiving circuit, will continuously charge the storage capacitor. Remote switching of power is accomplished by triggering the transistor amplifier with a modulated power signal or with a modulated signal trans-
mitted on a selected control frequency.
Amplifier output, in most applications, is connected to a current actuated device such as a relay, headphone or loudspeaker. When modulated transmission ceases, power output to the load also ceases.

Substitution of a transistor oscillator for the information signal circuit permits $d$-c to be converted into a-c of a selected frequency having high-voltage pulses. By applying the oscillator output to a step-up transformer, a higher voltage is developed which can be rectified and stored in a capacitor. A breakdown diode placed between the storage capacitor and the load could be used to dump the capacitor charge across the load when the required voltage level is reached.

## Remote Switching

A large number of unpowered transistorized radio receivers, pretuned to selected frequencies for power and information, when distributed within range of a power radiating source could be simultaneously activated by turning on the transmitter. This arrangement could be useful in public address, alerting or civil defense alarm systems.

A circuit for an emergency receiver and alarm device is shown in Fig. 3. When a signal is received, the control switch applies power to an alarm. During the long
standby time, no power is drawn from the battery source.

Signals other than modulated r-f can be used to trigger the switching device. For example, the output of a magnetic-type microphone energized by a car horn can be used to operate garage door controls.

## Transponder

Another application of the energy storage principle is in the transponder circuit shown in Fig. 4. This device can be used to identify and indicate the position of airplanes, harbor buoys, land markers and the like.

Addition of a microphone to modulate the output of the oscillator extends the applications to short range reception and transmission used in wireless intercommunications, public address and other systems. Also, the microphone could be energized at a remote location and used as a concealed listening device.

By using a small receiver fitted inside the ear in conjunction with a fixed-tuned vest pocket transmitter, the device could be used as a personal radio or hearing aid. Transmitter output could be modulated by a microphone for hearing aids and by a simple radio receiver for personal radios.

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# Squelch Circuit Mutes 

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MAGNETIC TAPES stored for some time often exhibit print-through, a magnetic signal induced onto layers adjacent to the original signal. The effect is a number of "echoes" before and after the true signal, usually around 50 db lower in level, but sometimes as little as 20 db down. The masking effect of any continuing sound such as orchestral music of ten makes the effect unnoticeable, but during soft passages it can be highly disconcerting.

Speech material is much more revealing of this defect, however, and poetry readings and languageinstruction courses which leave pauses for the student to repeat the instructor's phrases are especially vulnerable. Some runs of tape are more prone to print-through than others, and high-temperature storage can easily increase the transfer level 10 or 15 db even on the better oxide formulations.

Called a background-noise eraser, a device which suppresses this print-through with a semiconductor diode circuit that rejects all signals below a certain threshold level has been developed and is described in this article.

## Basic Squelch Circuit

The basis of the circuit is shown in Fig. 1. Each diode is back-biased by about 0.1 v . If program peaks
are about 10 v the diodes will be non-conducting for all signals more than 40 db below this peak. When the input exceeds it the diodes will conduct, the upper diode on positive half cycles, and the lower one on negative swings.

The tiny slice of signal, near the zero axis, which is removed in this process leads to severe distortion, however. In Fig. 2 is shown the way around this problem. Signals higher than threshold are amplified, rectified and filtered, and used to keep the diodes in a conducting condition throughout each word. Time constants are chosen to make the dis-tortion-removing voltage have a rise time of about 1 millisec and decay more slowly.

Theoretically the first millisec or so of each word is still distorted, but this is not noticed in practice. The ear requires a little time to become conscious of distortion and a millisec is not nearly a long enough period of time.

Psychoacoustic effects also make the delay in recovery at the end of a word permissible. There is a carry-over of the masking effect for a fraction of a second after the end of each word, and background print-through will therefore not be heard even if it is present within a few millisec of the end of a word.

The antidistortion amplifier has one unusual requirement in that it
must produce a full output on a small input signal, and little increase of output with a $40-\mathrm{db}$ increase in input. More important, there must be no tendency for cutoff bias to accumulate on any of the grids. This is avoided by the series grid-isolation resistors shown in Fig. 3.

One final detail is necessary to


FIG. 1-Elements of biased-diode squelch


FIG. 2-Basic distortion-reduction circuit

# Biased-diode type of quieting automatic-volume-control silences audio channel whenever signal drops to 40 db below peak. To reduce distortion and maintain diode conduction throughout modulation, a portion of the signal is rectified and applied to the diodes through a delay circuit. Constant level background noise is maintained by applying his signal to channel whenever quieting occurs. 

# Magnetic Tape Echoes 

make the operation of the device smooth and unobtrusive. A background hiss must be inserted. Careful listening to the output without this added hiss gives the impression of a severe case of modulation noise. The pauses between words have an unreal-sounding silence to them, and each word brings with it room tone, tape hiss and tube noise.

The cure is shown in the schematic of Fig. 3. Shot-effect noise in a triode having only 4.5 v across its filament is amplified and fed into the output so that the overall signal-to-noise ratio is not degraded. The hiss voltage is applied in series with a large isolating resistor between the bottom of $T_{1}$ and ground. When suppression takes place, there is no
significant input signal, the diodes are an open circuit and the hiss voltage is fed to the output terminals of the equipment.

In the presence of a signal the diodes become conducting, grounding the bottom of $T_{1}$ and shorting the hiss voltage. Thus hiss is added only when needed, making the apparent background fairly constant.

## Low-Frequency Noise

If the original program material should contain low-frequency noise such as low-level hum, rumble or air-conditioner noise, this will be suppressed also. Reinsertion of this type of noise is neither necessary nor desirable. Even though the noise comes through during each word, it is largely masked and the subjective effect is more pleasing if it is suppressed.

For operating convenience in adjusting the threshold gain a small neon-bulb indicator is provided. This lights when sufficient voltage is present to decrease the bias on the diodes sufficiently.

At the inception of this design, 5 db of print-through reduction was considered to be a worthwhile improvement. In practice at least 10 db is usually realized. Even though some trailing sibilants are somewhat shortened, tapes otherwise inacceptaby echo-laden are again usable.

FIG. 3-Circuit of print-through suppressor. In-out switch permits operation as straight amplifier and test switch shorts output of hiss generator for A-B test

Specially designed cathode-ray oscilloscope permits selected laboratory techniques to be applied in field maintenance of reciprocating engines used in industrial and marine service. Display on cro shows cyclic engine events in time sequence. Instrument monitors ignition, vibration and pressure of spark-ignited or diesel engines and presents data on five-in. screen. Ignition mistiming can be detected within one degree of crankshaft position. Scope connections are made without necessity of engine shutdowns

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## Scope Analyzes

OSCILLOSCOPES have been used extensively in laboratories and in commercial aircraft for comprehensive engine studies. ${ }^{1}$ They have been adapted to analyze ignitions systems in automobiles, monitor engine operation in aircraft en-
gine test cells, study detonation characteristics and evaluate dynamic operation of valves.

Until recently, cro techniques were not practiced in field maintenance of industrial and marine natural gas, dual fuel and diesel en-


FIG. 1 -Block diagram of cro engine analyzer. $A$ sweep is driven across the cri in time with the engine. Resulting trace line displayed is responsive, in the vertical direction, to signals from ignition, cylinder vibration and cylinder pressure. Connections are made to the Ilywheel, ignition primary circuit, and two to a power cylinder. Timing the analyzer to the engine is done by a fifth pickup located near a mark on the flywheel
gines. The engine analyzer described in this article is designed for special use as a maintenance tool to efficiently monitor these engines without requiring expensive shutdown. The 36 -pound, handportable unit visually displays information formerly obtained from as many as three electronic instruments and it enables maintenance personnel to check engine ignition, vibration and pressure for possible malfunctions with ease.

## Design Requirements

In designing an analyzer for industrial engines the most difficult problem to solve is weighing the versatility factor with simplicity of operation. These requirements tend to be incompatible since an extremely wide variety of types and components of engines are in common use. Some of the following design requirements therefore become apparent: select for analysis important engine variables that are common to the largest number of engines, provide for simple connections that may be made without stopping the engine, minimize the number of operating controls and use detent positioned controls wherever possible and present the results in a direct form that can be read and interpreted easily.


View of cylinder pressure pattern with the reference line superimposed

## Reciprocating Engines

The features of particular interest are the pickups used with the instrument, the integrating and linear amplifiers to accommodate pressure and certain commercial pickups, the provision for crankshaft timing signals superimposed directly on the oscilloscope pattern, and the method of comparing relative amplitudes of signals from the integrating or linear channels by superimposing a reference line on the pattern. By using the cathode ray tube as an indicator, accurate measurements are made directly from the sources generating the signals. This permits simpler and less costly design of the linear time base and vertical amplifier.

The choice of pickups to be used has a significant effect upon the design of an engine analyzer. When a transducer produces a voltage that is a function of a cyclic engine event, this event can be displayed on the engine analyzer in terms of measured crank-angle degrees. Cyclic operation can then be evaluated. Strain gage, magnetostrictive, variable reluctance, capacitive and piezoelectric pickups have been used in engine analyzer work to observe dynamic operation of stresses in bolts, power and compressor cylinder pressures, diesel injection pressures, injector
valve motion, intake and exhaust valve motion.

The choice of events for analysis depends on the needs of the operator, the expense of the pickup and the difficulty of installation. All the transducers mentioned have been used in the laboratory to obtain answers to specific design problems. One may have to improvise, however, to make certain installations, such as the strain gage instrumentation of an integral fuel pump and injection nozzle. Generally, in the field, simple, inexpensive pickups that give comprehensive information and are easy to apply should be used.

## Display Technique

In the engine analyzer presented, cylinder pressure, sounds in the engine structure and ignition voltage are given in terms of crankangle degrees. This is done, as shown in Fig. 1, by feeding the pickup signals to the vertical deflection circuit of the crt while a linear time base sweep generator, synchronized to the engine-cycle frequency, generates a horizontal de-flection-signal that is directly proportional to crank-angle rotation.

The phase of the synchronizing signal can be shifted by a crankangle selector control to start the
horizontal sweep at any crankangle position. This position can be read from the selector dial. To provide even more accurate timing and to enable the operator to read crank-angle position directly from the oscilloscope pattern, timing marks generated directly from the flywheel of the engine are displayed as either vertical spikes or dots superimposed on the oscilloscope pattern.

## Operation

Once the analyzer has been set up, the pickup signal and the corresponding vertical channel are selected by two switches. The sweep, full engine cycle or oneeighth of an engine cycle, is selected by a rotary switch. The crank-angle is selected by the phase shifter control and the timing marks, vertical spikes or intensified dots, are selected by a toggle switch. Pressures from respective cylinders are compared by an adjustable reference line superimposed directly on the scope pattern. Height of the reference line is read from the adjusting dial.

One integrated package contains the many components required to present the respective signals together with a time base of constant sweep length capable of operating
over the complete range of engine revolutions per minute.

## Pickups

To simplify wiring and switching, self generating pickups are used. The crankshaft timing pulse pickup, illustrated in Fig. 2A, is a variable reluctance type comprising a magnet and coil. It responds to magnetic discontinuities in the flywheel and is polarized to produce timing marks from $\frac{1}{4}$-in. diam holes spot-faced in the flywheel. If vanes or punchmarks are used, the leads from the pickup must be reversed. If the pickup output is passed through the integrating channel, a picture of the magnetic contour of the flywheel is obtained so that features such as flywheel runout are shown clearly.

The pressure pickup is also a variable reluctance type and consists of a coil surrounding a magnet that is positioned close to a special steel diaphragm. This pickup configuration, shown in Fig. 2B, was made practical with the advent of new, high-strength alloy steels which produce sufficient deflection without exceeding the elastic limit.

The pickup is rated at $1,000 \mathrm{psi}$ and responds to rate of change of pressure. It is relatively inexpensive to build, being little more complicated than the electromagnetic pulse pickup. The pressure pickup will withstand rough use and operating temperatures as high as 350 to 400 F . An air-cooled adapter is furnished for high output engines.

Figure 2C is a cross-sectional diagram of the vibration pickup which is magnetostrictive and responds to rate of change of acceleration. It resembles a rugged microphone that listens to vibrations in metallic structures. This basic type of pickup is simply constructed and has been used commercially for many years to indicate the presence of combustion knock and metallic impacts within an engine. To improve $s / n$ ratio, the pickup is used with a tuned amplifier.

## Ignition-System Analysis

No pickup is required for ignition analysis because voltages developed across ignition system breaker points or impulse generator coils yield a great deal of in-

(A)

(8)

(c)

FIG. 2-Crankshaft timing pulse pickup (A) responds to magnetic discontinuities in the Ilywheel. Pressure pickup (B) responds to rate of change of pressure, while magnetostriction pickup (C) responds to rate of acceleration
formation about ignition system operation. Since industrial engines are large, ignition circuit constants are affected and it is often necessary to use individual coils for respective cylinders and sometimes even for individual sparkplugs. Switching of ignition circuits must then be provided. The same switching control is used to select multiple vibration pickups. Multiple pickups are used for permanent analyzer installations such as marine diesels.

## Synchronization

Synchronization of the sweep to any crank-angle position throughout the engine cycle is accomplished by a three-phase, two-pole, permanent magnet generator driven so that the rpm corresponds with the number of engine cycles per minute. The phase shifter control referred to previously and indicated in the analyzer block diagram operates in conjunction with the synchronizing generator.

Synchronization of the sweep to any sparkplug firing event is accomplished through the capacitive pickup afforded by a simple battery clip attached to the high tension lead of a sparkplug. A pickup with special fittings is required for shielded ignition systems. This type of synchronization is sometimes used for a quick, qualitative evaluation of a particular engine event. A position control is pro-
vided on the analyzer to parade all the engine cycle events across the cathode ray tube screen when this type of synchronization is used.

## Pressure-Time Diagrams

Field experience has indicated that cylinder pressure is the principal common denominator between piston engines. Pressure analysis can be performed on any engine equipped with cylinder cocks that provide access to the combustion chambers. Several limitations of previously available equipment were considered: a) mechanical pressure indicators respond too slowly to show the rapid pressure changes that occur in engines, b) mechanical indicators do not show clearly and continuously the effects of cycle-to-cycle variations, c) electrical pickups have required associated equipment that is too complex for use in general maintenance and d) electrical pickups have been costly and delicate.

The use of an electronic indicator removes limitations a) and b). The engine analyzer itself, being designed as a self contained unit especially for use with engines, removes limitation c). To overcome limitation d) the improved pickup described in the previous section of this article was designed.

To obtain the conventional pres-sure-time diagrams associated with piston engines, the pressure-
rate pickup output must be integrated and then amplified sufficiently to obtain adequate deflection. To integrate at low enginecycle frequencies, 4 to 5 cps , a time constant of 0.5 sec is required. Because of this time constant and the output characteristics of the pickup, a gain of 100 db is necessary to produce the desired deflection. The low-frequency and high-gain requirements make stability considerations in the initial amplifier stages important.

For the first stage, the most critical, a 4JD1A17 transistor, in common-emitter configuration is used. See Fig. 3. The transistor stage boosts the pickup output by a factor of 60 without introducing hum, microphonics or the low-frequency drift that ordinarily results from changes in cathode temperature when a vacuum tube is used. A transistor is well suited to this application because it facilitates direct coupling to the low-impedance pickup and because a high output impedance is desired for the integrating circuit that follows. The stage is stabilized by feedback and it operates over a temperature range of 32 to 160 F with a change in gain of less than 10 percent.

## Amplifiers

The intermediate amplifier consists of two sections of a 12AY7, followed by a section of a 12AU7 that serves as a cathode follower and acts as an input for the chopped reference signal from the level comparator. The 12AY7 was selected because of its low noise characteristic.

Filament current for the tube is regulated by a ballast tube to minimize the effect of power line variations on cathode temperature. The first section of the 12 AY 7 has a $0.02-\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor connected between grid and plate when the integrating channel is selected and serves thus as a Miller integrator. The second section of the 12AY7 is capacitance coupled to the first and provides a gain of 20. The gain control was placed at the output of the first section of the 12AY7, rather than at the cathode follower to permit higher signal inputs before saturation occurs so that the linear channel can accept
signals from pickup preamplifiers.
Power for the transistor stage and for the plate supply of the intermediate amplifier is obtained from batteries to isolate these stages from line voltage variations. Since the current demand is only five to six milliamperes, battery life of 80 to 100 hours is to be expected.

The vertical deflection amplifier is a 12AT7 utilizing a cathodecoupled paraphase circuit stabilized


FIG. 3-Schematic of transistor preamplifier, the first stage in the analyzer pressure channel. This stage, stabilized by feedback. boosts the pressure pickup output by a factor of 60


FIG. 4-Schematic of reference level comparator, used to measure relative amplitudes on cri. The comparator potentiometer and dial permit reading of deflection in terms of linear scale divisions
by feedback. The ignition marker pulse and the crankshaft timing pulse are fed to the paraphase grid. As shown in Fig. 1, d-c bias is introduced automatically when the integrating and linear channels are selected. This depresses the vertical position 14 in . to display pressure patterns symmetrically. For observation of other types of patterns in these channels the vertical position control may be used to center the pattern.

The plate supply to the deflection amplifier is not regulated because the reference signal is mixed with the pressure signal ahead of the de-
flection amplifier. When slight deflection changes occur as a result of changes in power line voltage, both the pressure and reference line signals are moved by the same amount and are not displaced with respect to each other.

## Pattern Amplitudes

The reference level comparator measures relative amplitudes of waveforms displayed on the crt in terms of graduations on a dial. A photograph of a cylinder pressure pattern with the reference line superimposed is shown. The reference level comparator circuit appears in Fig. 4. It consists of a battery source of d-c reference potential, a four pole on-off switch, two potentiometers to define the slope of the straight line relationship between voltage and deflection for the signals being displayed, a precision potentiometer and dial to permit reading the deflection in terms of linear scale divisions and a chopper.

The four-pole switch is shown in the off position. The chopper contacts are shown closed, which is the condition for both contacts when the chopper is inoperative. The chopper mixes the d-c reference level with the vertical signal 10 percent of the time 120 times a second. One pole of the on-off switch prevents shorting the vertical signal to ground when the make-beforebreak chopper contacts do not vibrate.

The remainder of the circuitry is generally similar to that described previously. ${ }^{\text { }}$ The arrangement of the circuitry in the new configuration is indicated in the block diagram. A principal objective of this circuit arrangement is to provide suitable switching so that the operator can perceive analysis in terms of engine functions.

The deflection amplifiers, the sweep generator and length control, the squaring amplifiers, the ignition synchronization amplifier and the vibration amplifier are contained in a printed circuit board assembly.

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# Saturable Reactors 


#### Abstract

Magnetic modulator uses saturable reactors to convert input sine wave into narrow, high peak-power output pulses. Basic action of current-pulse compression with magnetic modulators is explained. Polarizing and differentiating circuits, delay-line wave shaping, pulse permeability measurements, cancelation effects and related features leading to improved design are discussed


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HIGH-POWER, extremely narrow current pulses in magnetic modulators are generated from a sine wave input by using saturable reactors in resonant circuits.

In performing this operation the saturable reactor functions first as an inductive component, second as a switch and third as part of a resonant circuit. When used in this trimoded capacity it may be called a pulsactor.


FIG. 1 - Polarized two.stage magnetic modulator with current and voltage wave. forms for each reactor resonant stage


FIG. 2-Switching and ringing waveforms. Resonant input sine wave (1), flattened by polarization first switching (2), ringing which would occur due to first switch. ing (3), second switching (4), ringing which would occur due to second switching (5), and output pulse (6)

The input current waveform is compressed in a series of pulsactor resonant circuits into narrow, high power pulses of current. Pulses obtained from magnetic modulators using these reactors are sufficient to modulate high-power magnetrons. Recent advances in high permeability nickle-iron alloys have improved reactor switching action and lowered core losses.
In the transient operation of a modulator, a saturable reactor cyclically changes inductance or becomes a short circuit. A single physical coil winding can perform many separate functions. Unsaturated, it can act either by itself, as an auto transformer, as a variable circuit impedance or as part of a resonant circuit. As a saturated inductance it can act as a switch, as a part of a resonant circuit, or as a multisection winding acting at saturation as a delay line or pfn. Since the inductance of the saturable reactor may be part of a resonant circuit, each change in inductance may be considered to create an independent passive network with its own current and voltage waveform.

## Charging and Switching

In its most basic form the magnetic modulator is a series of saturable reactors in resonant circuits. When the resonant frequency of a stage is reached, the reactor switches and shock excites the next stage at a higher frequency. By repeating the resonant charging


FIG. 3-Magnetization characteristies for high permeability iron
action and switching in several stages, successively resonant excited currents are produced which form a narrow, high-amplitude output current pulse. A series of increasingly higher frequency resonant circuits make up a current compression modulator. The operation is basically different from a conventional line pulser which develops its narrow output pulse in one off and on switching cycle of the thyratron which discharges a pulse forming delay-line network.
Input for a magnetic modulator may be either a sine wave or a triggered pulse at radar repetition frequencies. In the conventional a-c case, using sine-wave input, the magnetic circuits are polarized to allow switching only once for every sine-wave cycle. Charging action for each resonant circuit therefore occurs at the input frequency.

In the two-stage magnetic modulator shown in Fig. 1 the energy

# Fire Radar Magnetrons 



Components for a small magnetic modulator include: charging reactor (1), first saturable reactor (2), polarizing coke (3), second saturable reactor (4), charging capacitors (5), third saturable reactor (6) and pulse transformer (7)
transfer involves three different resonant frequencies which are determined by combinations of the various capacitors and the unsaturated and saturated inductances. A graph of the current and voltages waveforms at the particular frequencies involved in the three interrelated circuits is shown below the circuit diagram. The rapid switching of energy across the resonant circuits produces a narrow high-power output pulse. Energy transfer occurs at essentially equal voltages across the charging capacitors $C_{1}$ and $C_{2}$. A timewise compression of the successive current waveforms results so that, for a constant transfer of power, they become increasingly narrow.

## Design Considerations

The overall action may be divided into four steps: (1) self resonance of the modulator input components at the prf of the sine-wave source, (2) progressive switching in the cascaded circuits, (3) successive self resonance of the saturated reactors and their associated capacitors and (4) the transfer and wave shaping of pulsed energy from the last resonant circuit to the load. During the process all tuning capacitors that store the energy remain at a constant peak voltage.

Self resonance of the input circuit, which occurs at the sine wave
input frequency $\omega_{1}$ delivers a maximum voltage across $C_{1}$ equal ideally to $\pi$ times the input voltage multiplied by the input transformer ratio $N_{1}$. The unsaturated inductance $L_{1 u}$ may be neglected and capacitor current $i_{c 1}$ decreases to zero at maximum voltage at point $B$.

At the instant the voltage $V_{B}$ across $C_{1}$ reaches a maximum $L_{1 w}$ saturates becoming $L_{1,}$ and acts as a switch to transfer the charge of $C_{1}$ to $C_{2}$ through current flow $i_{C \text { e }}$. After switching the network consisting of $L_{1 s}, C_{1}$ and $C_{2}$ becomes resonant to another frequency $\omega_{2}$ and the current $i_{C 2}$ through $C_{2}$ rises rapidly causing the circuit to ring at its natural frequency. As current builds up in the resonant circuit, $L_{\text {, }}$, returns to its unsaturated


FlG. 4-Continuous plot of magnetizing force and flux density before magnetic conditions stabilize
state and the voltage at point $B$ decays.
The voltage $V_{c}$ across $C_{8}$ reaches a maximum at the same instant $L_{2}$ saturates, becoming $L_{2_{s}}$. The energy stored in $C_{e}$ is then carried to the load by current $i_{3}$. During the output circuit discharge action $L_{1}$ remains unsaturated and has no effect on the output circuit. With optimum energy transfer the current through the load is a transient, described by the equation: $V_{\nu}=$ $\left(0.73 \pi E_{\text {50 }} N_{1} \operatorname{Sin} \omega_{3} t\right) / 2$ where $\omega_{3}=\left(L_{z_{g}} \times C_{v}\right)^{-1 / 2}$ is the natural frequency. $V_{D}$ is the voltage across the equivalent magnetron load reflected across the primary of $T_{2}$. It has a maximum amplitude equal to $0.73 V_{c}$.

Waveforms obtained in actual operation are more like those shown in Fig. 2. Resonant sine waves of each stage are drawn with dotted lines and the pulse, which is actually developed, with a solid line.

## Basic Magnetic Considerations

Good saturable reactor action depends upon the use of high-permeability iron and the application of polarizing fields. High permeability iron works on a steep B-H curve and therefore gives rapid flux changes and high induced voltages. With sharp cornered hysteresis characteristics the switching action of the pulsactor produces good current pulse compression because of the high ratios of unsaturated to saturated inductances. Use of polarizing fields will increase the effective permeability beyond normal values.

These generalizations appear more vividly when the magnetic properties of some modern highpermeability irons are considered. For instance, the d-c hysteresis loop shown in Fig. 3 has a flat slope or flux change from point 4 to 5 . The flux change is only a few gauss under operating conditions compared to an extremely high flux change when going from point 3 to 4 . Since inductance depends on permeability, the flux changes give
a high ratio of unsaturated to saturated inductance. This high ratio is ideal for switching action. The reactor functioning as a switch has a low impedance and the shunting effect of the unsaturated coils upon the rest of the system is reduced. The resonant frequencies derived from the low saturated inductances of the switches are higher than in poorly saturated circuits and give greater current pulse compression. In practice it is possible to achieve saturated to unsaturated inductance ratios of as high as 2,000 to 1 and to use coils in successive stages with inductance ratios between $20: 1$ and 100:1.

## Polarizing Fields

An important factor in the design of saturable reactor circuitry is the polarizing field, sometimes referred to as magnetic biasing. When applied to magnetic components carrying pulse voltages it enables adjustments to improve overall performance. Chief effect of the polarizing field is control of pulse permeability. The pulse permeability constant has different implications from the initial, average or maximum permeabilities common to conventional magnetic circuits.

To define permeability, suppose a narrow voltage pulse, 1 to $5 \mu \mathrm{sec}$, is applied to a coil with a magnetic core, as shown in Fig. 4. Examination of the magnetization curve before the associated circuits and the magnetic conditions stabilize themselves, shows that the first flux loop starts with unmagnetized iron at point $A$ and, as the magnetizing


FIG. 5-Pulse permeability under the influence of a negative polarizing field
force increases, goes from $A$ to $B$ and back to $C$ where it remains at the residual flux density until the next applied pulse arrives. The second flux loop, starts at $C$ goes to $D$ and returns to its residual magnetization at $E$. The third loop from $E$ to $F$ and so on. Forward tips of the flux loops ascend the basic magnetization curve.

Finally the flux arrives at a closed stabilized loop $M, N$ with residual and maximum flux values such that the decrease in flux when pulse voltage is removed exactly equals the increase in flux due to applied voltage. Pulse permeability $\mu_{\text {II }}$ of the iron is defined as the slope of the axis of the last loop. It is $\Delta B / \Delta H$ or in terms of the magnetization curve in Fig. 4 it equals the ratio of distances $(n-y) /(m-x)$. A plot of the flux density and magnetizing force during the changes is shown in Fig. 4.

## Pulse Permeability Figure

Permeability of the iron after operating conditions have stabilized is a constant which can be measured. It is used to calculate the inductance of unsaturated reactors. The pulse permeability figure is a complex quantity which depends on the value of the applied pulse voltage, on the ratio of the pulse width to the prf and on other circuit considerations such as $Q$ or loading and distributed capacitance. It can be changed by magnetic biasing of the core.

The pulse permeability $\mu_{\text {II }}$ is not the permeability determined by the initial magnetization curve either at its points of initial, maximum or minimum slope. In the highest permeability irons, under unbiased conditions, pulse permeability runs around 2,000 as contrasted to the initial permeability of 600 and a maximum permeability of 250,000 .

Pulse permeability under the influence of a negative polarizing field, opposed to the field caused by the applied pulse voltages, is shown in Fig. 5. The flux loops start at $A$ and with a polarizing field $H \rho$, which is slightly less than the saturation flux, the flux and magnetizing conditions immediately stabilize. The final loop is $A B C D E A$. It has a $B-H$ slope corresponding


FIG. 6-Amounf of polarization changes with operating level making modulator partially self-regulating


FIG. 7-Magnetic modulator with autotransformer primary resonance and cancellation feedback
to the axis $A C$. By adding a polarizing field so that the flux loops always start at a negative flux density equal to the saturation density, the slope in the final flux loop exceeds that of Fig. 4, and, in effect, the pulse permeability is increased.

In actual practice the optimum value is arrived at by adjusting the polarization field and the applied voltages to give stabilization at some flux value slightly less than the saturation value of the particular iron being used. In the case of high-grade iron with a proper polarizing field it is possible to use a total swing approaching 30,000 gauss.

## Operational Circuits

Figure 6 shows a circuit using a combined autotransformer and saturable reactor in the first stage with self polarization. A portion of the input energy is rectified and the unidirectional current used to magnetically bias the core. The arrangement saves a transformer assembly, places the charging choke on the primary side reducing its size and produces an output which is partially self-regulating since the amount of polarization changes with the level at which the device operates. The autotransformer must operate over wide ranges of
permeability while still maintaining resonance at the driving prf.

Fig. 7 is a variation of the autotransformer using the charging capacitors in a slightly different manner. First, some of the resonant circuit is transformed from the secondary to the primary by connecting $C_{c}$ in series with $L_{0}$. Any leakage between the primary and secondary of the autotransformer is cancelled out when $C_{o}$ is tuned. It also allows $C$ to be placed in series with $L_{2}$ adding to pulse sharpening at this point because it reduces the second circuit total capacitance as well as acting as a differentiator for voltages developed in $L_{1}$.

Polarization of an intermediate stage shown in Fig. 7, serves two purposes. First it cuts off the positive pulse developed by the differentiating action of $C$ and second it eliminates undesired feedback of output pulses to input circuits.

The polarizing windings are supplied through a tapped isolating choke which offers additional advantages. The choke isolates the polarizing supply from signal voltages.

By sending the polarizing current through a center tap to buck out the d-c fields it relieves d-c saturation and permits a smaller feed choke winding for a given inductance. Since signal voltages appear across the choke, it can be used simultaneously as a pulse transformer which can be a-c polarized so that the fields derived from the output pulses can be made to cancel the particular portion of themselves which would be normally reflected back into the input.

## Delay Line Waveshaping

Economy of parts and additional waveshaping necessary to square up the triangular pulse normally generated in the last stage are provided by the delay line shown in Fig. 8. By tapping the reactor winding and adding capacitors to ground, the network becomes a delay line in addition to being a switch and a high inductance. The capacitors from the taps to ground offer negligible effect to unsaturated operation but at and during switching produce an improved output pulse waveform. The circuitry
provides better impedance matching and helps to compensate for effects produced by the output transformer. It also allows easy manual adjustment of the output pulse width by adjusting the polarizing current control resistor. Some effects of the polarizing field in the last reactor are still present, even at saturation.

## Design Calculations

The basic design constants stem from the conditions stated in Fig. 1 and from the required peak power output, duty cycle and pulse


FIG. 8-Built-in delay line squares up triangular pulse normally generated in last stage of magnetic modulator
width. From the values of Fig. 6 and with relationships shown in Fig. 7 the value of the charging capacitor voltage $V_{r}$ can be determined. Taking a set of typical constants existing in a small modulator used to fire a magnetron:

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\begin{aligned}
V_{c} & =\frac{1}{0.73} \times \frac{V_{o}}{2} \\
& =\frac{1}{0.73} \times \frac{5,600}{7}=1,100 v
\end{aligned}
$$

where $V_{0}$, is the magnetron firing voltage $(5,600 \mathrm{v})$ and $N_{2}$ is the output transformer turns ratio (7:1). From the basic energy equation, $P T=1 / 2 C V^{*}$ the charging capacitor is

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\begin{aligned}
C & =\frac{2}{n} \times \frac{1}{V_{c}^{2}} \times P T \text { farads } \\
& =\frac{2}{9} \times \frac{1}{(1,100)^{2}} \times 9,000 \times 10-6 \\
& =0.016 \mu \mathrm{~J}
\end{aligned}
$$

where $n$ is the output transformer efficiency ( 0.9 ), $T$ is the modulation pulse duration ( $10^{-9} \mathrm{sec}$ ), $P$ is
the peak power $(9,000 w)$ and $F$ is the pulse repetition rate $(2,000$ cps).

Knowing the capacitor voltage and size in terms of output power and remembering that the first circuit is resonant at the pulse repetition frequency and since the first reactor inductance has a definite ratio to the charging choke, the unsaturated inductance of the first reactor may be calculated.
$L \mu_{1}=\frac{n_{c}}{2}(1+\sigma) \times\left(\frac{V_{c}}{2 \pi f}\right)^{2} \times \frac{1}{P T}$ where $n_{c}$ is system efficiency ( 0.33 ) or $\sigma$ is the ratio of the reactor inductance to the charging choke. If $n_{e} \times(1+\sigma)$ is combined into a constant $K$ which equals one then

$$
\begin{aligned}
L \mu_{1}=\frac{1}{2} & \times\left(\frac{1,100}{6.28 \times 2,000}\right)^{2} \\
& \times\left(\frac{1}{9,000 \times 10-6}\right)=0.422 h
\end{aligned}
$$

With this inductance, core sizes and number of turns can be calculated provided the pulse permeabilities available in the iron core are known. The inductance of succeeding reactors may now be calculated with selection of suitable ratios from which is determined the current pulse compression when working with practical ratios of saturated to unsaturated inductances.

The transient voltage waveforms encountered after saturation, as shown in Fig. 2 probably may give some trouble. For instance when $L_{1}$ starts to ring after saturation it is found that although by differentiating the pulse developed at this point and thus preventing lowfrequency prf input energy from passing on through the circuit, it is in addition necessary to polarize $L_{u}$ to eliminate the positive excursions on the front corner of the output pulse waveform. In some cases, even with polarization, it is necessary to place a diode across the primary of the pulse transformer.

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## High-Speed Tester


#### Abstract

Production tube tester gives rapid indication of opens and shorts with directreading localization by neon lamps. Memory circuit holds indication of intermittent tap shorts. Seven tube types are covered, but others may be accommodated with simple wiring changes. Most-used types are tested in groups of four at a time. Minor changes allow tests of special tubes


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TUBE TESTERS are not usually convenient for rapidly locating shorts and discontinuities in large numbers of electron tubes. The short-testing function usually has a four or five-position switch and a single neon-lamp circuit. For shorted elements the switch positions at which a glow appears are noted and a table is referred to for pin-pointing the short. No per-
manent indication for tap shorts is provided. The $g_{m}$ reading usually serves as the only continuity indication, but this is not always conclusive nor does it localize the discontinuity.

The short-continuity tester described here is a high-sensitvity device for rapid checking of up to four tubes of a given type at a time. It also contains a memory
feature for tap shorts. Although designed for seven particular tube types, the unit can accommodate others with minor wiring changes.

## Short Testing

The short-test circuit gives permanent indication of an intermittent tap short. It also localizes precisely all sustained shorts, and those tap shorts in which the time


Three groups of four long-life tube sockets are used for most-required types. Octal adapter is used for aubminiature types. Cork hammer aggravates lap shorts


FIG. 1-Simplified short-testing circuit


FIG. 2-Simplified continuity lesting

# Checks Tubes in Groups 

is sufficient for the eye to sense an indication on the panel lamps. Localization is made by noting which neon lamp or lamps are extinguished out of six normally glowing. The memory indication is given by the glowing of a seventh normally - extinguished lamp.

The maximum short resistance for indication, hence the tester sensitivity between any two elements of the tube under test, is 220,000 ohms for the memory and approximately 400,000 ohms for the six-lamp localization display. A simplified schematic of the shorttesting circuit is given in Fig. 1. The elements of the tube under test are connected to the junction points of the lamps. The voltage drop across each of the neon lamps is approximately 50 v . The current is fixed at approximately 0.133 ma by the source voltage and dropping resistor.

If a resistance of approximately 400,000 ohms is placed between $K_{2}$ and $G_{1}$, for example, all of the $V_{: s}$ current would be routed through the resistance and the lamp would extinguish. This value of resistance, which is the lamp voltage divided by the series current, is thus the basic localization sensitivity of the short tester. If the shorting elements are not adjacently connected, such as $K_{3}$ and $G_{2}, V_{3}$ and $V_{4}$ would both extinguish and the sensitivity would be proportionately increased to 800,000 ohms. Since one side of the heater is grounded, a short between $K_{1}$ and heater, for example, would cause $V_{1}$ to extinguish.

The grid of the thyratron is connected to the top of $V_{0}$ through the limiting resistor and is at a constant potential in the absence of shorts. The cathode is returned to a fixed voltage to bias the tube beyond the firing voltage. When a short of sufficient magnitude occurs between any two elements of the tube under test, the thyratron grid becomes less negative, causing the tube to fire and $V_{7}$ to glow. This memory lamp continues to glow until the reset button is depressed, re-


FIG. 3-Complete circuit diagram and tube connections for short and continulty tester
gardless of the voltage at the grid. The time constant of the grid circuit including stray capacitance is such that a short of only $100 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ duration is sufficient at maximum sensitivity to fire the tube. Thus the circuit is fast enough for practically all tap-short defects encountered.
The change in grid voltage $\Delta E$ resulting from an adjacent-element short of the maximum design sensitivity of $220,000 \mathrm{ohms}$ can be computed from the equation

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Delta E= & \left(E_{L} R_{2} / R_{1}+6 E_{I}-E_{s}\right) / \\
& \left(1+R_{2} / R_{1}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

where $E_{L}=$ lamp voltage (approx 50 v ), $E_{B}=$ supply voltage ( -540 v), $R_{1}=$ resistance of adjacentelement short ( 220,000 ohms) and $R_{z}=$ series-dropping resistor (1.8 megohms).
The value of $\Delta E$ with the given values is approximately 18 v . To this value must be added the negative critical grid voltage of the thyratron to obtain the grid-tocathode bias voltage necessary for this sensitivity. The critical grid voltage for the 5696 with suppressor grid tied to cathode and plate voltage of 300 v is -2.5 v . Thus the required bias is 20.5 v . Since the nominal NE-51 voltage drop is 50 v the quiescent voltage at the grid is close to $(50 \times 6)$ or -300 $v$. The cathode must therefore be returned to about -280 v .

The sensitivity of the instrument to tap shorts is calibrated by adjusting the cathode potential with a voltage divider. A 220,000 ohm resistor is switched across one of the series lamps and the cathode voltage is varied in a negative direction until the thyratron fires as observed by $V_{i}$. The actual negative grid bias, as set by calibration, measures close to the computed 20.5 v . A regulated high-voltage power supply is required, as a 1 percent change in cathode voltage gives roughly a 10 -percent change in memory sensitivity.

## Continuity Testing

The continuity-testing circuit is quite simple. Cathode emission is utilized, all tube grids and plates being connected positive with respect to the cathodes. The same six neon lamps are used as with the short-testing circuit and all lamps

Table I-Fault Location Chart for Electon-Tube Type 12AU7

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Discontinuity } \\ & \text { Lecation } \end{aligned}$ |  | Short Location |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lamp | Element Open | Lamp | Elements |
| $\bar{V}_{3}$ | Grid 1 | $V_{1}$ | Heater |
| $V^{\boldsymbol{V}}$ | Grid 2 Plate | $V_{2}$ | Cathode 1 |
|  | Plate 1 | $V_{3}$ | Cathode 2 |
| $V_{6}$ | Plate 2 | $V_{4}$ | Grid 1 |
| $V_{3}, V_{5}$ | Heater 1 | $V$ | Grid 2 |
| $V_{4}, V_{6}$ | or Cathode 1 | $V_{6}$ | Grid 2 |
|  | or Cathode 2 | $V_{6}$ | Plate 1 |
| $\begin{aligned} & V_{3}, V_{4}, \\ & V_{5}, V_{6} \end{aligned}$ | Heater center-tap |  | Plate 2 |

will glow with a nondefective tube under test.

A simplified schematic of the continuity-testing circuit is given in Fig. 2. The cathodes of the twin triode under test are grounded and each grid and plate is connected to +540 v through an individual neon lamp and series-dropping resistor. If continuity is not present to a given element, its lamp will be out. For simplicity of operation all neon lamps which are not used for the particular tube type under test are energized by connection directly to ground, as with $V_{1}$ and $V_{2}$ of Fig. 2. Because of the large dropping resistors the current through each element and lamp is fixed at approximately 0.13 ma and all lamps glow equally.

## Complete Tester

This tester was designed for seven tube types as shown schematically in Fig. 3.

Four tubes of a given type are plugged into the board and while their heaters are being energized, the operator throws a selector switch from one to another for testing. The 5670, 5718, 5840, and 6112 types have only one socket each while groups $A, B, C$, and $D$ are four-socket positions for each of the multiple-testing types 5654 , 6101, and 6189 (see photo). A cork mallet is the device used for tapping tubes.

A 2-position switch $S_{1}$ throws the operation from short test to continuity test. Most of the poles of this switch are used to switch the six neon lamps from the series operation of the former to the parallel operation of the latter. A 6-position, 8-pole switch $S_{v}$ is used as the tube-type selector, with one
position for each type except the 6189 and the 5670. These are both miniature twin-triodes and are combined in a single switch position. Most of the poles of this switch apply grounds to the lamps not used in continuity testing.

Because of the maximum voltage ratings of the various tube types the order of connections between the lamps and the tube elements must be different for some of the tube types. This requirement is relevant to the short test but as a result affects switching for the continuity test also. Charts are prepared listing the tube defect as a function of the neon lamp display for both short and continuity test. A typical fault location chart for the 12AU7 is shown in Table I.

## Special Circuit Details

Tube type 5654 has two cathode connection pins. To test continuity to both pins the two are connected in series between $V_{1}$ and $V_{2}$ in the short-test mode of operation. A discontinuity between the two pins breaks the series circuit, causing all lamps to be extinguished. For tube types having a single cathode terminal the connection between $V_{1}$ and $V_{2}$ is made by the tube-type selector switch in the short-test operation.

The 5840 has three cathode pin connections. To test continuity between two of the three pins, the same technique as for the 5654 is used. Continuity of the third pin connection is tested in the con-tinuity-test operation. For this test the selector switch removes the ground from the first two cathode connections and the continuityshort switch grounds the third cathode lead $R$ as shown in Fig. 3.

Tube type 5670 has an electrostatic shield between the triode sections which is brought out to a pin connection. Continuity to this shield is tested by connection $S$ to $V_{1}$. A limited amount of electron flow from the cathodes to the shield occurs in a nondefective tube, so $V_{1}$ has a partial glow. The shorting of the shield to any other element is detected by a full glow of $V_{i}$ in the continuity-test operation.

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# Transistor Q-Multiplier for Audio Frequencies 


#### Abstract

High selectivity and stability may be provided in audio-frequency equipment that must be portable, or in which power is at a premium, by use of transistorized Q-multiplier circuit. Series-resonant circuit is applied to var-iable-selectivity a-f amplifier and multichannel selective-calling unit


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POSitive feedback to increase the selectivity of a tuned circuit has been put to use on a sound engineering basis only in recent years. The literature gives all the design data for tube-operated Q-multipliers. ${ }^{1}$ This article indicates what modifications must be made when transistors are used.

## Theory

Figure 1 shows the basic Q-multiplier circuit for either a centertapped capacitor or coil. The selectivity of this stage is determined by

$$
\begin{equation*}
Q_{\mathrm{eff}} / Q_{o}=R_{f} /\left(R_{f}-\frac{1}{4} R_{d}\right) \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $Q_{\text {erf }}$ is the effective $Q$ of the coil circuit, $Q_{0}$ is the $Q$ of the coil at the resonant frequency $\omega_{s}$ and $R_{d}=\omega_{o} L Q_{o}$. The effective $Q$, and thus the selectivity of the circuit, increases as $R_{f}$ approaches $\frac{1}{4} R_{d}$. When $R$, equals $\frac{1}{4} R_{d}$ the effective

Q becomes infinite and the amplifier is unstable; oscillations occur for all values of $R_{f}$ less than $\frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} R_{d}$.

Equation 1 is valid only on the assumptions that the input impedance of the tube is infinite, the output impedance is negligibly small and $g_{m} R_{k}$ is much greater than unity.

Figure 2A shows the form taken by the circuit when a transistor replaces the tube. Resistors $R_{1}$ and $R_{2}$ provide bias to the base of the transistor and $C_{c}$ prevents the bias from being shorted out by the coil. Since the input impedance to the transistor will not be infinite, Eq. 1 cannot be used as it is.

The value of $R_{t}$ as used in Eq. 1 is the dynamic impedance of the parallel-tuned circuit at resonance and is purely resistive. The input resistance at $X X$ in Fig. 2A, (with $R_{f}$ and the tuned circuit discon-
nected is given by the following:

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{\sigma}=1 /\left(1 / R_{1}+1 / R_{2}+1 / R_{t}\right) \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$ where $R_{t}=\beta R_{k}$, the input impedance of the grounded-collector transistor; $\beta$ is the grounded-emitter current-amplification factor.

The circuit of Fig. 2A can then be replaced by that of Fig. 2B in which the transistor is considered ideal, with infinite input impedance, and $L$ and $C$ are pure reactances. Resistance $R_{g}$ can be treated as a damping resistor which lowers the Q and reduces $R_{d}$ to a lower value $R^{\prime}$, where

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{d}^{\prime}=R_{g} R_{d} /\left(R_{a}+R_{d}\right) \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Using $R_{d}^{\prime}$ in place of $R_{d}$ in Eq. 1

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{Q_{\text {eff }}}{Q_{o}}=\frac{R_{f}}{R_{f}-\frac{1}{4} R_{d}^{\prime}} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Derivation of Eq. 4 is not dependent upon the transistor having infinite input impedance. Since the grounded collector stage also has
negligibly small output impedance and $g_{m} R_{k} \gg 1$ is easily obtained, Eq. 4 can be used for the circuit of Fig. 2A. This equation may be used for circuits using either tubes or transistors.

## Stability

The formulas derived with regard to the stability of tube-type $Q$ multipliers all involve $Q_{0}$. The effect of the finite input impedance of the circuit using a transistor causes a reduction in the coil $Q$; this reduction must be taken into account in assessing the stability of the circuit.

The greater the Q multiplication required to achieve a specified selectivity, the lower the stability will be. For maximum stability the: value of $Q_{0}$ should be as high as, possible; for a given coil this requires that $R_{g}$ be large. Unfortunately, maintenance of the correct operating conditions with changes of temperature requires that $R_{\mathrm{z}}$ be as small as possible. The design must therefore be a compromise between these two conflicting requirements.

## Temperature Effects

A change of temperature shifts the operating point of the transistor and causes a change in the current amplification factor $\beta$.

Normal methods of temperature stabilization cannot be used without seriously affecting the amount of stable $\mathbf{Q}$ multiplication which can

Table 1-Condifions for Circuit Instability

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Freq. } \\ & \text { (cps) } \end{aligned}$ | $\binom{L}{(\mathrm{~h})}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} C \\ (\mu \mathrm{f}) \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\underset{\text { (ohms) }}{R_{L}}$ | $\begin{gathered} R_{1} \\ \text { (ohms) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} R_{f}= \pm R^{\prime} d \\ \text { (ohms } x 1,000) \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Calc | Meas |
| 190 | 6.8 | 0.1 | 840 | 0 | 6.8 | 6.8 |
|  |  |  |  | 82 | 6.6 | 6.6 |
|  |  |  |  | 180 | 6.45 | 6.3 |
|  |  |  |  | 235 | 6.3 | 6.23 |
|  |  |  |  | 500 | 5.7 | 5.63 |
| 216.5 | 4.5 | 0.12 | 790 | 0 | 5.5 | 5.48 |
|  |  |  |  | 82 | 5.23 | 5.15 |
|  |  |  |  | 180 | 5 | 4.85 |
|  |  |  |  | 235 | 4.58 | 4.57 |
|  |  |  |  | 500 | 4.25 | 4.2 |
| 235 | 3.8 | 0.12 | 1,255 | 0 | 3.88 | 3.85 |
|  |  |  |  | 82 | 3.73 | 3.68 |
|  |  |  |  | 180 | 3.62 | 3.6 |
|  |  |  |  | 235 | 3.48 | 3.47 |
|  |  |  |  | 500 | 3.12 | 3.1 |



FIG. 2-Transistor equivalent of vacuum-tube version (A) and idealized circuit (B)


FIG. 3-Series-tuned circuits overcome shortcomings of parallel-tuned versions
be obtained. It has been found desirable to design the stage for the largest signal possible consistent with a minimum value of $R_{g}$. This minimum is easily derived from Eq. 3 and the stability requirement that $Q_{\text {off }} / Q_{0}<\frac{1}{2} g_{m} R_{k}$. Since $Q_{\text {eff }}$ is usually specified and $g_{m} R_{k}$ is known, $Q$, can be calculated.

Let the $Q$ of the coil used in the tuned circuit be $Q_{o}=R_{n} / \omega_{o} L$. When $R_{g}$ is shunted across the coil the $\mathbf{Q}$ is reduced to $Q^{\prime}$ 。 $=R^{\prime}{ }_{a} / \omega_{9} L$. Substituting for $R_{d}$ and $R_{d}^{\prime}$ in Eq. 3 gives

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{g \min }=\omega_{o} L Q_{0} Q^{\prime}{ }_{o} /\left(Q_{o}-Q^{\prime}\right) \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

If the transistor stage is designed for the largest signal possible consistent with the value of $R_{g}$ given by Eq. 5 and then operated at a much lower signal level than it is designed for, a reasonable shift in operating point can take place without the transistor introducing distortion.

Referring to Eq. 2, $R_{g}$ will be reasonably independent of $R_{t}$ if $R_{t}$ $\gg R_{1}$ and $R_{9}$; this is the case for most transistors if $R_{k}$ is kept reasonably high. The value of $\beta$ decreases with increasing temperature and thus $R_{g}$ will also decrease with temperature.

A reduction of $R_{g}$ causes a re-
duction in $R_{d}^{\prime}$ and this reduces the ratio $Q_{\text {er }} / Q_{0}$. An increase in temperature will not therefore lead to instability but will reduce the $Q$ multiplication obtained. If this reduction is unacceptable, it is necessary to allow $R_{f}$ to decrease with temperature.

## Parallel Operation

When two or more selective amplifiers tuned to independent frequencies are to be operated from the same signal source, as in fre-quency-selective calling equipment, the parallel-tuned configuration shown in Fig. 2 is not suitable. Each tuned circuit tends to inject signals into the adjoining circuits, reducing adjacent channel rejection.

This difficulty has been overcome by the configuration shown in Fig. 3. The input is series-resonant, as seen from the signal source, and parallel-resonant, as seen by the input to the transistor. In this arrangement, each tuned circuit at its resonant frequency effectively shunts the input to all the other tuned circuits greatly reducing the breakthrough of signals.

Resistance $R$, in Fig. 3 is the signal source resistance; it is ef-


FIG. 4-Varying $A_{\text {, }}$ of selective a.f amplifier ( $A$ ) changes circuit $Q$-multiplication (B)
fectively in series with the coil and must be treated as part of the coil resistance when calculating the value of $Q_{0}$. Thus, $Q_{0}=\omega_{o} L /(R,+$ $R_{L}$ ) where $R_{L}$ is the resistance of the coil at the resonant frequency.

## Practical Circuits

Figure 4A shows an audio-frequency selective circuit suitable for use either as a c-w note filter or as one channel in a multichannel fre-quency-selective amplifier.

When $R_{f}=\frac{1}{4} R_{d}^{i}$, Eq. 4 shows that the circuit is unstable and will oscillate. The value of resistor $R_{f}$ to give this condition were calculated for four different coils and for various values of generator resistance $R_{s}$. These calculated values were then compared with the actual measured values of $R$, in the circuit for each condition and coil. The results, in Table I, indicate a close correlation between calculated and measured values.

The coils in Table I were built up into a three-channel a-f selective amplifier and connected as shown in Fig. 5A; Fig. 5B shows the response of each filter. The unit was driven from a generator with an impedance of 500 ohms . In comparison with a similar paralleltuned unit, the adjacent channel rejection is much better.

With a minor modification, the circuit shown in Fig. 4A, can be used as a variable selective c-w filter; $R_{t}$ should be replaced by a resistor and potentiometer in series. The resistor and potentiometer are each made equal to the minimum resistance needed for the maximum required selectivity.

This minimum value is calculated from Eq. 4, but if maximum possible selectivity is wanted, this
value should be made equal to $4 R_{d}^{\prime}+1$ percent. The 1 -percent margin is usually sufficient to ensure that the circuit does not oscillate, but the value may have to be adjusted. The potentiometer acts as a selectivity control, with maximum selectivity corresponding to minimum potentiometer resistance; Fig. 4B shows a typical set of selectivity curves for various

(A)

(B)

FIG. 5-Three channels of multichannel selective a-f amplifier ( $A$ ) use coil and capacitor combinations in Table I Lor stag. gered resonant frequencies (B)
positions of the potentiometer.
The maximum Q-multiplication that can be achieved with the transistor Q-multipliers has not been fully determined. However, a Q of 1,000 at 200 cps was obtained without any difficulty using a coil with a Q of 10 .
Factor $R$, appearing in the expression for $R_{r}$ covers a multitude of troubles, especially when the transistor circuit is to be used at frequencies approaching its cutoff frequency; for audio frequencies it is generally sufficient to treat $R_{t}$ as being purely resistive, but at higher frequencies the complete expression must be used and account must be taken of the input capacitance.

## Performance

An experimental parallel-tuned circuit set up for maximum selectivity at 200 kc gave an overall bandwidth of 300 cps ; although it was completely stable against normal temperature and voltage fluctuations, it was possible to shock excite it into oscillation after which it would continue to oscillate. Tests indicate that it is possible to do this at all frequencies with both tube and transistor Q-multipliers; it is believed that this is due simply to driving the tube or transistor into a region of nonlinearity.
When the Q-multiplication is restricted to less than $\frac{1}{2} g_{m} R_{k}$ the shock excitation instability does not occur. If this restriction on the amount of multiplication is observed and, in addition, the input level is kept small enough to ensure that the transistor is not overloaded, trouble from this form of instability should not be experienced.

A temperature run was made on the unit shown in Fig. 4A with the temperature cycled from 20 to 60 C and back. Between 20 and 47 C , no measurable change in effective $Q$ was detected, but from 47 to 60 there was a reduction of $Q$ multiplication to $\frac{2}{3}$ of its initial value.

The resonant frequency of the filter was not affected when the transistor temperature was raised from 20 to 60 C .

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Typical test setup for checking crystals. Crystal under test and cable of electronic null-indicating meter plugged into bridge unit are next to right hand of operator. Counter-type frequency meter at left reads r-f output frequency of crystal impedance meter into which bridge is plugged. With exception of frequency measuring unit, no auxiliary equipment is required

## Plug-in Bridge Checks

Equivalent parameters of overtone crystals in range of 75 to 200 mc are rapidly measured with technique that combines desirable characteristics of both active and passive measuring systems. Bridge plugs into crystal socket of standard crystal impedance meter and crystal plugs into bridge. Nullindicating meter and frequency meter are only other instruments needed

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The crystal parameter bridge described here combines the characteristics of passive and active measuring systems for piezoelectric vibrators, by utilizing an oscillatory circuit and a bridge measurement configuration in such a way that the crystal being measured controls the frequency stability of the oscillator.

The bridge circuit, including the crystal under test, is inserted as a series element in the low-impedance feedback path of a self-controlled oscillator suitable for exciting a resonant frequency of a quartz crystal operating in the series mode. When the oscillator is tuned near or at one of the crystal reso-
nant frequencies, it is stabilized by the increased portion of the feedback that passes through the crystal arm of the bridge. Therefore, the oscillator may be considered as supplying a crystal-stabilized signal for operation of the bridge near the resonant frequencies of the crystal.

## Finding Equivalent Resistance

Operation of the crystal parameter bridge, shown schematically in Fig. 1, may be best understood when employed for the simple case of determining the equivalent resistance $R_{r}$ of a crystal operating at resonant frequency $f_{r}$. Capacitors $C_{v}$ and $C_{i}$ are set equal near
minimum capacitance or removed entirely from the circuit and all stray reactances are balanced or compensated. Resistor $R_{r}$ contains no reactive components and $R_{a}$ and $R_{b}$ are passive impedances of any type but are matched in the frequency range of interest for equivalence in both magnitude and phase angle.

Resistor $R_{r}$ is initially set to its minimum-resistance position and the oscillator is tuned until crystal control is effected. This point is shown by a sudden dip in the balance indicator reading and is the result of the change in degree of

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Top and bottom views of plug-in bridge unit. Slotted clear plastic rods permit adjustment of variable resistor and capacitors in bridge. Crystal is at upper right, vhf resistor at upper left, $C_{2}$ and $C_{3}$ adjustments at botom center and $C_{v}$ and $C_{1}$ adjustments at lower left and right respectively in bottom view. Unit permits measurement of all equivalent circuit parameters of a quartz crystal

## VHF Quartz Crystals

unbalance due to the lowered crystal impedance near resonance. Increasing $R_{v}$ at this point decreases the minimum reading as the voltage drop across $R_{v}$ approaches that across the crystal. Slight retuning of the oscillator will further decrease the minimum as the two voltages become more nearly equal. Repeating this process of alternately tuning the oscillator and $R_{v}$ for a minimum reading will bring each successive dip closer to zero until the bridge is brought into balance and the vector voltage difference is zero. At this time, the crystal is operating at the minimum zero-reactance impedance which defines operation at the resonance frequency $f_{r}$. The resistance of $R_{v}$ is equal to the equivalent resonance sistance $R_{r}$ of the crystal and may be read directly if $R_{r}$ is calibrated.

In a similar manner, the series arm resistance $R_{1}$ and the series resonant frequency $f_{s}$ may be determined. This is accomplished by initially balancing the holder capacitance $C_{0}$ with an equal capacitance $C_{v}$ across $R_{r}$. If $C_{v}$ is calibrated, the value of $C_{0}$ may be
determined directly from the dial. In the vhf range, the most severe requirement of a practical bridge system is that imposed on the variable resistor $R_{r}$. This resistance must have near zero reactance over the frequency range of interest. Resistances exhibiting a satisfactory phase angle have been developed. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ These resistors cover a frequency range of 75 to 300 mc and a resistance range of 20 to 200 ohms.

## Determining Other Parameters

The following procedure for utilizing the bridge and companion oscillator of Fig. 1 can be used to determine the desired parameters. With $R_{v}$ and the crystal removed from the bridge and with $C_{i}$ set close to minimum, balance with $C_{v}$ as the variable at a frequency near the series-arm resonant frequency $f_{s} ; C_{v}$ will then equal $C_{i}$. Place the crystal in the bridge at a frequency adjacent to $f$ such that the admittance of the series arm is insignificant when compared with that of $C_{0}$. Rebalance the bridge with $C_{v}$. Then $\Delta C_{v}$ equals $C_{o}$.

With $R_{r}$ placed in the circuit, rebalance with $R_{v}$ and frequency as variables. This yields $f_{s}$ and $R_{r}=$ $R_{1}$. Decrease $C_{v}$ by $\Delta C_{v}$ and rebalance with $R_{r}$ and frequency as variables. This gives $f_{r}$ and $R_{v}=R_{r}$.

The measured parameters $C_{o}, R_{1}$, $f_{s}$ and $f_{r}$ are now substituted in the first equation for $Q$ in Fig. 1, where the figure of merit $M$ is equal to $1 / \omega C_{o} R_{1}$ and $\Delta f$ is equal to $f_{r}-f_{n}$ Although this equation is doublevalued, the correct value is obtained by using the negative sign. With this, values of $L_{f}$ and $C_{t}$ are now readily obtained from the other two equations for $Q$ in Fig. 1.

## Construction Details

Several developmental models of the crystal parameter bridge have been made. These models, containing suitable detectors, are constructed as small self-contained units capable of being plugged into the crystal socket of a suitable crystal impedance meter oscillator. The pyramidal shape of the bridge resulted from an attempt to eliminate cross-coupling by arranging all of the components to be nearly per-
pendicular within the limits set by size, accessibility and lead length.

Capacitors $C_{2}$ and $C_{3}$ couple the unbalance output of the bridge to the germanium diode detector. Since these capacitors must be accurately balanced they are made variable. The required detector load and filter are provided by $R_{2}, R_{3}, C_{4}$, $C_{5}$ and the null indicator input impedance.

The rectified output of the detector is fed by cable to a sensitive null indicator. The physical separation of the bridge and oscillator allows use of the bridge with different oscillators.

## Crystal Impedance Meter

The possibility of using the tube transit time and detuning to obtain proper loop phase led to the construction of the developmental crystal impedance meter circuit of Fig. 2.

Used primarily for a substitution system in the very-high-frequency range, this unit covers a frequency range of 75 to 200 mc for equivalent crystal resistances up to 200 ohms. Two stages of amplification are used to increase the loop gain. Two difficulties associated with the practical realization of the circuit configuration are proper tracking of the tuned circuits and the additional 180 deg phase shift normally attributed to the addition of a second amplifier.

A novel method was utilized to eliminate the tunable interstage


FIG. l-Bridge circuit and equations used with test results to give desired parameters. Bridge plugs into crystal socket of impedance meter or oscillator
transformer required to compensate for the additional 180 -deg phase shift. Data on the magnitude of transit time phase shifts indicate that the 6AK5 exhibits a phase shift of approximately 0.3 deg per mc . At 150 mc the total transit time phase shift for both tubes will therefore be near 90 deg . It is then immaterial whether or not a phase reversal is provided by the interstage transformer, as equal detuning would be required in either case to give zero loop phase shift. This characteristic permitted a simple resonant coil to be substituted for the tunable interstage transformer.
The oscillator uses a three-gang Mallory spiral Inductuner for the variable inductances. The tuner was modified by removing the last
turn of the central spiral section. This modification provides the correct interstage inductance to track satisfactorily with the other two sections.

With the exception of the related power and control circuits, the circuitry and components are mounted on the modified tuner enclosure itself. To minimize ground-lead r-f currents, the center posts of the tube sockets are connected directly to the tuner ground plane and these two points are used as central ground points where possible.

The successful operation of the two-stage line-coupled oscillator with its high gain is dependent to a large extent upon the physical arrangement of the components. This arrangement permits extremely short leads and proper shielding or isolation by the various sections of the circuit. Small disk ceramic capacitors were connected directly from the tube-socket terminals to the center post ground point for bypass purposes. All power and control leads are bypassed at the tuner enclosure with ceramic feed-through capacitors, which serve as mounts for the various decoupling resistors and chokes.

The power supply converts the $115-\mathrm{v}$ a-c to the required d-c plate and screen voltages. These $d-c$ voltages are regulated by two voltage regulator tubes. An external control is provided for adjustment of the screen voltage as a method of controlling the drive or power


FIG. 2-Circuit of development crystal impedance meter, which may be used conventionally with test crystal in position shown, or in new method by inserting bridge in place of crystal. Rear view of instrument is shown alongside circuit
dissipated in the crystal. The frequency of the oscillator is varied by tuning through a suitable gear reduction to provide the necessary vernier adjustment. A sensitive d-c meter is provided, with a variable shunt, to indicate relative activity at high as well as at low drives. A coaxial jack provides a sample of the r-f energy for frequency-measuring purposes. The entire unit is encased in a steel cabinet for shielding and protective purposes.

## Checking Accuracy

Because precise standards for measuring crystal parameters above 100 mc are presently unavailable, the probable accuracy of the bridge method was determined on a comparative basis. Measurements on a number of representative crystals covering a frequency range of 100 to 175 mc and a resistance range of 20 to 120 ohms were made independently with several different substitution methods. These crystals were then measured with the crystal parameter bridge and developmental oscillator. The crystal parameter bridge measurements were then compared to the substitution measurements which in each case displayed the greatest deviation from the bridge measurements. The parameters compared were the resonance resistance $\mathrm{R}_{r}$, the resonance frequency $f_{r}$, the series resonance resistance $R_{1}$ and the series resonance frequency $f_{\text {s. }}$.

Of a total of 26 frequency measurements, 20 were at or within 0.001 percent, 4 were between 0.001 percent and 0.002 percent and 2 were above 0.002 percent, the highest deviation being 0.0031 percent. Sixteen of these measurements were at frequencies above 150 mc .

Of a total of 26 resistance measurements, 21 were within 5 ohms or 10 percent, 4 were between 10 and 20 percent, and one displayed a difference of approximately 30 percent ( 175 mc at 100 ohms ). Twelve of these were above 50 ohms.

Considering that the crystal drive or power could not be accurately determined or reproduced and that the comparisons were made to those having the largest discrepancy, the deviations experienced were not unexpected. However, the results did indicate that
the measurement accuracy of the bridge was comparable to that obtained by other active methods.

## Crystal Aging Measurements

Although the crystal parameter bridge was developed primarily for use at frequencies above 75 mc , its effectiveness at lower frequencies was adequately demonstrated when used in connection with a crystal aging program being conducted at Georgia Institute of Technology. The aging drifts under study were obscured by the inaccuracies and randomness of the frequency measurements made with conventional susbtitution measurement procedures.

The crystal parameter bridge


FIG. 3-Comparison of results obtained with older substitution method and new crystal parameter bridge method, when checking aging of crystals. High accuracy of new method gives smoother curve more nearly representative of true behavior of crystal
measurements, consistently accurate to one part in $10^{7}$ at 16 mc , matched the quality of the resonators being produced and made possible studies of previously concealed factors in the aging of quartz crystal resonators. A typical aging curve obtained with the bridge system is compared in Fig. 3 with one obtained by the substitution method.

Because of the number of repeated measurements necessary on a large number of crystals, an additional advantage was realized in the rapidity and simplicity of bridge measurements. A reduction in measurement time from approximately 5 minutes to less than 2 min utes per crystal was obtained.

Although efforts were made to
develop a practical system using the bridge method that would measure crystals up to 200 mc at 200 ohms, the present models have definite limitations. Primarily, the crystal parameter bridge in its present state of development is a lumpedelement bridge and, as in conventional bridges, such construction is generally unsatisfactory above 150 me.

Another limitation that occurs above 150 mc is due to the crystal holder capacitance $C_{0}$ and its associated bridge balancing capacitance $C_{r}$. As the frequency is increased the reactances of the feedback paths due to $C_{0}$ and $C_{r}$ become lower. This, in effect, decreases the proportional amount of crystal-controlled feedback and satisfactory stabilization of the oscillator is not obtained.

A third major limitation is that the commonly accepted equivalent circuit no longer adequately represents present vhf crystal units. The holder appears to cause the primary difficulty in that it contributes reactances and resistances at the higher frequencies that can no longer be neglected. The complexity of the equivalent circuit is, therefore, greatly increased.

Several methods of overcoming these practical limitations are presently being investigated. A hybrid coaxial bridge using balanced directional couplers is being developed to eliminate some of the difficulties of a lumped element arrangement. A method of counteracting the feedback due to $C_{o}$ and $C_{r}$ with a plan similar to that used in capacitance bridge oscillators is under study.

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# Phase-Shift Curves 

# Curves permit quick determination of unknowns in phase, gain and frequency interrelationship in lead and lag networks for feedback amplifiers. Component values can then be selected by choosing one of three values 

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LEAD AND LAG NETWORKS of the type shown in Fig. 1A and 1B are commonly used for compensation in feedback amplifiers. The attenuation characteristics of these networks are shown in Fig. 1C using straightline approximation for convenience.

The maximum phase shift obtainable from these networks is a function of gain $(<1)$ of the lead network at low frequencies and of the lag network at high frequencies. The following method can be used for determining the amount of shift available for a given attenuation or vice versa and the frequency at which this shift occurs.

For the lead network in Fig. 1, the transfer function is:
$E_{o} / E_{i}=\alpha_{1}\left[\left(1+j\left(\omega / \omega_{c 1}\right)\right] /\left[1+j \alpha_{1}\left(\omega / \omega_{c 1}\right)\right]\right.$ where $\alpha_{1}=R_{2} /\left(R_{1}+R_{2}\right)$, which is the low-frequency gain; $\omega_{c 1}=$


FIG. 1-Lead and lag networks at (A) and (B) result in gains shown at bottom of $C$ and phase angles shown at top of (C)
$1 / R_{1} C_{1}$, which is the lower corner frequency in radians per sec and $\omega_{c 1} / a_{1}$ is upper corner frequency in radians per sec.

The maximum phase shift is given by:

$$
\phi_{m 1}=\tan ^{-1}\left(1 / \sqrt{\alpha_{1}}\right)-\tan ^{-1} \sqrt{\alpha^{1}}
$$

and occurs at the geometric mean of the corner frequencies, so that $\omega / \omega_{c 1}=1 / \sqrt{a}$. Figure 2 shows $\phi_{m 1}$ and corresponding values of $\omega / \omega_{c_{1}}$ compared to $a_{1}$.

For the lag network shown in Fig. 1B, the transfer function is : $E_{o} / E_{i}=\left[1+j\left(\omega / \omega_{c 2}\right)\right] /\left[1+j\left(\omega / \alpha_{2} \omega_{c 2}\right)\right]$ where $\alpha_{2}=R_{z} /\left(R_{1}+R_{v}\right)$, which is the high frequency gain; $\omega_{c z}=1 / R_{r} C_{2}$, which is the upper corner frequency in radians per sec and $\alpha_{2} \omega_{c z}$ is the lower corner frequency in radians per sec.

The maximum phase shift, $\phi_{m 2}$, is given by $\phi_{m 2}=-\phi_{m 1}$ if $a_{2}$ is substituted for $a_{1}$. Therefore the maximum phase shift curve in Fig. 2 is correct. $\phi_{m g}$ occurs again at the geometric mean of the corner frequencies, where $\omega=\omega_{c 2} \vee \alpha_{i z}$ or $\omega / \alpha_{2} \omega_{e 2}=$ $1 / \sqrt{\alpha_{2}}$. Since the ratio of the frequency for maximum phase shift to the lower corner frequency is $1 / \sqrt{a}$ for both networks, the second curve of Fig. 2 is correct also.

## Examples

Assume that a network is required to produce a phase lead of 50 deg at 600 cps. How much gain will result and what components can be used?

At $\phi_{m}=50$ deg on the max-


FIG. 2-Relationship of phase shift to gain enables user to determine $\omega / \omega_{c}$
imum phase shift curve, $a_{1}=$ 0.135 . With $a_{1}=0.135$, on the second curve $\omega / \omega_{e 1}=2.7$. Substituting, $\omega_{c 1}=2 \pi 600 / 2.7$, which equals $1 / R_{1} C_{1}$, and $a_{1}=0.135=$ $R_{2} /\left(R_{1}+R_{z}\right)$ one variable can be selected and the others determined. If $C_{1}=1 \mu \mathrm{f}$, then $R_{1}=$ 716 ohms and $R_{2}=112$ ohms.

If a lag network is required to have a phase shift of 60 deg and gain of 0.1 or more at high frequencies, is a network of the type shown in Fig. 1B possible?

From the curves, a phase shift of 60 deg will produce a gain of 0.071 . Therefore the desired network is not possible. However, if two networks are used each with a phase shift of 30 deg and isolated by a buffer stage, the effective gain of the networks will be 0.109. A cathode follower could be used for the stage between the networks.


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TRANSISTOR ALPHA CUTOFF frequency which results from the finite diffusion time of charge carriers through the base region is one of two characteristics that limit high-frequency performance. The frequency characteristic of alpha is represented approximately by

$$
\alpha=\alpha_{0} /\left(1+j \omega / \omega_{a}\right)
$$

Collector capacitance $C_{c}$, the capacitance across the collector to base junction, also limits the maximum frequency of operation.

For most transistors, alpha is approximately equal to unity and maximum oscillating frequency is approximated by

$$
f_{\max }=\left(f a / 25.1 R_{B} C_{c}\right)^{1 / 2}
$$

or in terms of $f_{\alpha}$

$$
f_{\alpha}=25 R_{b} C_{c}\left(f_{\text {max }}\right)^{2}
$$

Since some manufacturers specify $f_{a}$ and others $f_{\max }$, conversion from one to the other is desirable.

## Practical Examples

When $f_{x}$ is $20 \mathrm{mc}, R_{B}$ is 40 ohms and $C_{c}$ is $10 \mu \mu f, f_{\text {max }}$ is desired. A straight line is drawn between the two points $f_{a}=20$ mc and $R_{B} C_{c}=400 \mu \mu \mathrm{sec}$, or 0.4 millimicroseconds. The value for $f_{\text {max }}$ is read from the left-hand scale as 44 mc .

A transistor with an $f_{\text {max }}$ of 10 mc and an $R_{k} C_{c}$ product of $2,000 \mu \mu \mathrm{sec}$ or $2 \mathrm{~m} \mu \mathrm{sec}$ is avail-


Nomograph for converting transistor high-frequency parameters
able. It is desired to determine the beta cutoff frequency for this transistor for which $f_{\alpha}$ is required. Referring to the nomo-
gram, a straight line is drawn through $f_{\text {max }}=10 \mathrm{mc}$ and $R_{B} C_{c}$ $=2 \mathrm{~m} \mu \mathrm{sec}$. The line intersects the center scale at $f_{\alpha}=5 \mathrm{mc}$.

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## Technique Finds Tube Resonances

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VACUUM TUBES are often required to operate in environments having high vibration levels. This can lead to two types of malfunction, which may occur singly or together.

The first is generation of spurious signals (microphonics) because of relative motion between the vacuum tube electrodes. The support structures in the tube (particularly mica spacers) loosen more as the tube elements vibrate. Thus electrode movement increases with the same level of vibration as the tube ages.

The second type of malfunction is physical damage to the tube, such as cracking of the envelope or loss of oxide from the cathode. Such failures may occur with little or no warning.

These factors make it desirable to choose tubes whose electrodes have low mobility and whose reso-


FIG. 1-Accelerometer is used as a sensing device to maintain constant accelera. tion of shake table as it is swept in frequency
nances do not coincide with vibration frequencies in the tube's socket and mounting structure.

A direct measurement of the response of a vacuum tube electrode to a given forcing function applied to the completed tube would be difficult, perhaps involving x-ray microscopy. An indirect measurement technique has been developed using commercially available equipment. Relative response of an electrode
as a function of the applied frequency can be readily measured.

Using this technique, the tube is rigidly mounted on a shake table whose acceleration is held constant as frequency is swept. A feedback loop is used with an accelerometer on the table used as the sensor. The tube filament is heated by a battery to minimize hum pick-up.

A capacitance bridge, connected to two tube elements, is balanced with the shake table excitation off. At this time, the bridge sees a capacitance, $C_{o}$, which is the sum of the tube interelectrode capacitance and the cable capacitance (which is fixed). When the table is shaken, the tube elements vibrate, and the capacitance seen by the bridge may be expressed as

$$
C=C_{0}+\Delta C \sin \omega t
$$

where $\Delta C$ is the peak change in capacitance due to electrode displacement and $\omega$ is the angular frequency applied to the shake table. The bridge output is an a-c signal proportional to $\Delta C$.
Since the object is to locate resonances in the tube structure, it is desirable that, in the absence of resonances, the bridge output be constant over the frequency range. Since shake table acceleration is

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FIG. 2-Comparison of recordings with capacitance bridge between cathode and plate ( $A$ ) and between cathode and screen grid (B) indicate frequencies at which cathode vibrates
held constant, while the bridge senses displacement, this may be achieved by differentiating the bridge output twice to get a new signal proportional to the tube element acceleration. This signal is plotted on a high-speed level recorder which is synchronized with the sweep oscillator.

The process is repeated using one of the same tube elements and one other element. A comparison of the two plots discloses which of the resonances are common to both plots, and, therefore, caused by vibration of the tube element common to both tests.

A disadvantage of this technique is the difficulty in determining absolute response. In addition, output of the capacitance bridge is a function of mode shape as well as peak electrode displacement. For many applications, these considerations are secondary to the speed and ease of analysis offered.

## Feedback Stabilizes Flip-Flop

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Feedback enables a transistorized flip-flop to operate on pulses of 3 volts with 0.5 microsecond fall time. The flip-flop is very independent of changes in voltage and unbalance of transistors. The circuit was designed for use in a computer.

## Operation

The common emitter resistor $R$ 。 in Fig. 1 provides d-c degeneration. For good trigger sensitivity, it is
heavily bypassed in order to increase the gain around the regenerative loop. Resistor $R$, connected between the bases of the two transistors provides negative feedback.

Assume that $Q_{1}$ is conducting and $Q_{2}$ is cutoff. A negative pulse is applied at the base of $Q_{1}$ cutting it off. Its collector rises to +11 v , and the rise is coupled to base $B_{2}$ through the cross-coupling network. As $B_{2}$ rises above $B_{1}$, a current flows in feedback resistor $R_{f}$. This current reduces the normal base current of $Q_{2}$ and prevents $B_{2}$ from rising too high. Base $B_{2}$, in turn, regulates the collector current drawn by transistor $Q_{2}$.

The flip-flop uses emitter followers in the cross-coupling network in order to match the high collector output impedance to the low base input impedance. These emitter followers also serve as low impedance output coupling to drive gating chains.

In the computer, the flip-flop is triggered with the differentiated trailing edge of a logic pulse to avoid the use of interstage delays for such circuits as shift registers. Capacitor coupling with a large


FIG. 1-Feedback resistor $R_{f}$ in flip-flop makes it less sensitive to voltage variations and transistor unbalance
time constant is used in case the logic pulse has poor fall time.

Attenuation is small even for slow fall time. The partially differentiated pulse is amplified, and the output of the amplifier is differentiated. Since phase reversal is undesirable, a grounded-base $n p n$ transistor provides a negative pulse to bring the amplifier into conduction from its normally cutoff state.

## Design

For values of $\beta$ between 20 and 100 , transistors $2 \mathrm{~N} 124,125,126$ and 167 may be used. The voltage swing required is six volts from +5 to +11 . A self-biased multivibrator is used to improve d-c stability.

For a 2 N 125 at an ambient temperature of $55 \mathrm{C}, 28.5 \mathrm{mw}$ is maximum dissipation. With a collector current of about 1 ma for a transistor of minimum $\beta$, a 6,000 -ohm resistor is needed for $R_{2}$ in order to get a 6 -volt swing. A 6,800 -ohm resistor, the nearest standard 10percent value, is used.
When $R_{f}$ is considered disconnected, $50 \mu \mathrm{a}$ of base current is needed where $I_{c}=1 \mathrm{ma}$ and $\beta=20$. If the cross-coupling resistors are large compared to $R_{1}$, the equivalent Thevenin resistance $R=\left(R_{2}+\right.$ $\left.R_{3}\right) / R_{2} R_{3}$. When $R=50,000$ ohms, the base input resistance of a transistor is very low in comparison. The drop across the base-to-emitter junction can be ignored, and the total drop can be assumed to occur across $R$. For $I_{b}=50 \mu \mathrm{a}$, a positive voltage swing of 2.5 v across $R$ is required. For a symmetrical peak-to-peak signal of 5 v at the base, the collector swing is 6 v so that $a=R_{3} /\left(R_{2}+R_{3}\right)=5 / 6$. Emitter follower gain is assumed to be one. Since $R$ equals $50,000 \mathrm{ohms}, R_{2}$ and $R_{3}$ will be 60,000 and 300,000 ohms, respectively.

To obtain a base current margin, somewhat smaller resistors in the same ratio are used. Convenient values are $R_{2}=47,000$ and $R_{8}=$ 220,000 olims.

When $Q_{2}$ conducts, $V_{02}=5 \mathrm{v}$ and $V_{b_{1}}=5 / 6 \times 19-14=1.8 \mathrm{v} . R_{\text {。 }}$ must be large enough so that the voltage drop across it exceeds the 1.8 v necessary to cut $Q_{1}$ off. When $\beta=20$, the base of $Q_{2}$ is at $(11+$ 14) $\times 5 / 6-14=6.8 \mathrm{v}$.

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For $\beta=100$, the same procedure is used. However, since a clamp is present $\beta I_{0} R_{0}$ will represent the drop across $R$. only if it is less than 5.

If $V_{0}$ is assumed to be less than 5 v , the formula indicates that $I_{b 2}=31 \mu \mathrm{a}$. Checking, $\beta I_{b} R_{\text {e }}=$ $180,000 \times 31 \mu \mathrm{a}=5.38 \mathrm{v}$. Therefore, the drop is not completely across $R_{e}$. Substituting 5 for $\beta I_{o}$ $R_{e}, I_{02}=45 \mu \mathrm{a}$. Collector current $I_{c 2}$ is therefore 4.5 ma .

The dissipation, $V_{c 2} I_{o}=22.5 \mathrm{mw}$, is within the allowable rating at 55 C .

Checking for stability for $\beta=$ 100, $\alpha=0.99 . S=\left(R_{0}+R_{b}\right) /$ $\left[R_{\mathrm{s}}+R_{\mathrm{o}}(1-a)\right]$ or 19 .

The maximum $I_{c o}$ for any of the transistors previously mentioned is $2 \mu \mathrm{a}$. The stability against runaway is a function of $S$ and of $I_{c o}$. The maximum allowable dissipation of 23 mw is not exceeded for any value of $\beta$ previously indicated. Clamp diodes used at the emitters and the collectors to prevent the transistors from saturating, speed the operation. The collector diode also serves to fix the lower level of the voltage swing.

The large emitter capacitor acts somewhat like a bias battery in conjunction with the emitter resistor. The cross-coupling capacitors were chosen so that the cross-coupling time constant is larger than the expected rise time but smaller than the period.

Assuming the base input resistance is small, the time constant is given by $R_{1} C_{c}=6,800 \times 100 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}=$ $0.68 \mu \mathrm{~s}$.

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## Phase Shifter Range Exceeds $180^{\circ}$

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Phase-shifting circuits with ranges greater than 180 degrees are often useful.

The circuit shown in Fig. 1A is often used to shift phase. With perfect circuit components, with the resistance variable to infinity and


FIG. I-Constant output voltage is pro duced by simple phase-shifting circuit with a theoretical range of 180 degrees
with no load, a 180 -degree phaseshift range is theoretically possible.

A vector diagram, Fig. 1B, may be constructed for this circuit by noting that the voltages across $X_{\text {o }}$ and $R$ are always 90 degrees out of phase and that the addition of these vectors always equals $E_{\text {ab }}$, the voltage across the transformer secondary. The locus of all intersections of $E_{X 0}$ and $E_{R}$, forms a half circle. The output voltage will be constant for any value of $R$.

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One way to achieve 180 -degree or more phase shift is to have greater than 180 degrees between points $A$ and B. Fig. 2A shows a circuit in which the phase at point $A$ is made to lag by an R-C combination ( $R_{2,}, C_{2}$ ). This circuit has about 190 degree phase range at one kc.

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FIG. 3-Output voltage for these circuits is more nearly constant

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FIG. 4-Use of tube in place of transformer permits phase shifter to handle a wider band of frequencies


FIG. 5-More than 180 degrees of phase shift and very constant output voltage is provided by two-tube shifter
of the points for $E_{o}$ does not fall on the circumference of the circle whose center is zero volts, $E_{0}$ being less in the center of the phase range. A slightly more constant output voltage may be achieved by the circuits shown in Fig. 3.

The transformer may be eliminated by using the circuit shown in Fig. 4, which covers a wider frequency band if suitable values are used. Wide-band operation is achieved because transformer resonance effects are not present at higher frequencies. At lower frequencies the low inductive reactance of a transformer primary does not shunt input voltage source and cause loss of signal or high current flow resulting in core saturation. The values given are approximately correct for 500 to $2,000 \mathrm{cps}$.

If more than 180 -degree range is desired together with very constant output voltage, the circuit of Fig. 5 is recommended. In this circuit, two phase-shifting circuits similar to that in Fig. 1A are cascaded.
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## Characteristics

The capacitor weighs one-half gram and is .37 inches long, .19 inches wide and .11 inches thick. Capacitance range is from $5 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ through $240 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ with tolerances from $\pm 2$ to $\pm 20$ percent. It is available in C or D characteristics in capacitance ranges below $50 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ and in $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{D}$ or E characteristics in capacitance ranges from $51 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ through $240 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. Working voltage is 300 volts at 85 C and 200 volts at 125 C . Dielectric strength is 200 percent of rated voltage. The new component, called A "Missil-Mite," is available in production quantities.

## Funnel Flange Eyelets for Printed Circuits

Mounting eyelets in printed-circuit board holes with a funnel flange, instead of the rolled head usually used to hold eyelets in place, has two major advantages. It permits faster and easier insertion of a component lead in the eyeleted hole whether done by hand or machine. And it provides a mechanically stronger eyelet since the underside of the funnel flange attracts a generous solder fillet when dip soldered.

## Mounting

Circon Component Corporation. Goleta, Calif. calls their new eyelet a Funelet. Because the Funelet is mounted in the printed circuit board by merely spreading one end of the eyelet-instead of the "rollover, pressdown" operation required with conventional eyeletsrejected assemblies due to imperfect eyelets are practically nil.

## Dependability

A quality test of over 300,000 . eyelets did not produce any imper-
fect eyelets. The cost savings from jammed equipment, down-time, and damaged work caused by an imperfect eyelet helps offset the slightly higher cost of Funelets.


Funnel Flange eyelet permits easier component lead insertion (B); and solder fillet (A) gives a more reliable structure than rolled-head (C).

Strangely enough even though it was developed as a precision part, Circon claims many of the largest volume users are manufacturers of commercial low cost, competitive printed circuits who willingly pay the added price because of the reliability obtained.

## Gold Shot-Burnished

A 24 carat gold, shot-burnished, overlay inside and out is applied with a technique which eliminates "splatter" of plated metal when eyelets are machine set. Gold is first plated to thickness of eighty millionths of an inch. The shot-peining and burnishing process fuses the gold in the surface pore structure of the brass. The resultant surface layer of gold is fifty millionths of an inch thick, highly malleable and will not peel, scale, blister or delaminate when the eyelet is machine mounted.

## Resistance

Contract resistance of the shotburnished surface is very low and retains its characteristics in corrosive environments. It is highly solderable even after adverse storage conditions.

Eyelets are available in standard increments of correct size to fit hole diameters varying from $\boldsymbol{o}^{3} \mathrm{in}$. to ${ }^{3} \mathrm{~B} \mathrm{in}$.

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## ITEM:

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# Merry-go-round Steps Up Klystron Tube Output 



Wheel-like machine simplifies hand sealing operation. Tubes are heated at operator's left and cooled at right. Radioactive brush to clean mica windows is in foreground

Rotary window sealing machines speed kylstron tube output, furnish more positive control over production and require less operator skill. Varian Associates, Palo Alto, Calif., designed and built the machines for $\$ 1,100$ each.

Merry-go-round takes 16 klystron tubes. At each station, a tube nestles in block of metal which concentrates the heat. Heat is supplied by induction by paired coils of a Lepel heating unit as the tube approaches the operator.

The tube is covered with a small glass bell jar with a hole in its top to allow access by the operator. Nitrogen gas is piped in to provide an atmosphere which will keep the tubes clean and prevent oxidation. Sixteen flow meters in the center of the wheel supply the bell jars.

A built-in cooling system directs


Glass seal is applied while tube is between heating coils. Tube at right is being brought to sealing temperature
a blast of cool air on the operator's hands, since she works directly above intense heat.

Mica windows, which cover tube apertures, are cleaned by passing them between radioactive brushes made by Nuclear Products Co., El Monte, Calif. This removes static electricity, freeing lint. The window is placed in the tube's metal flange with tweezers.

The tube is placed under the bell jar and brought to correct temperature. Special glass is applied around the window seat, which is now hot enough to effect a seal. A weight is placed over the hole in the bell jar to maintain nitrogen pressure while the tube cools.

The wheel is turned to the right and the operations repeated on the next tube, which has been heating. As the sealed tubes make the cir-


Cards placed between nitrogen flow meters provide permanent production his. tory of each tube


Tubes are placed in metal heat concentrators after windows are positioned
cuit and cool, they are removed one by one and replaced at a rate of 50 to 60 a day.

The glass used for sealing is made by Corning Glass Co. The flange is Allegheny Ludlum Steel Co. Sealmet, an alloy developed for glass sealing. The two have equal coefficients of expansion.

## Instruments Boxed On Foam-cushioned Base

Free floating suspension method of packing is employed by Ampex Corp., Redwood City, Calif., to ship tape recorders. The technique, the firm reports, has reduced customer damage claims to less than $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.
Package, made by Crate-Rite Mfg. Co., Oakland, Calif., consists of a fir-plywood floating deck, ply-wood-covered base framed with lumber, and sides, ends and top of $亠$ inch plywood veneer overlaid with paper and glue-laminated to 200-pound corrugated board which forms corners and lap joints.

The base is framed around its perimeter with $2 x 4$ 's with a 2 x 2 brace down the center. For forklift handling, $3 x 4$ 's are spiked to the frame bottom. The $2 x 4$ 's are covered with $\frac{1}{2}$ inch, 5 -ply fir plyyood.

The floating platform is made of $\frac{7}{8}$ inch plywood for 600-1,000


## Sylvania RF-IF Transistors

## Five new PNP Drift transistors, types 2N247, 2N370, 2N371, 2N372 and 2N544, for radio frequency amplifier service

Sylvania's new PNP Germanium Drift transistors feature high output resistance for increased gain at 1.5 mc to 20 mc , low feedback capacitance and high alpha cutoff frequency.
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The new PNP drift transistors feature Sylvania welded hermetic seal construction for maximum protection in rugged environments. They are encased in a modified JETEC class 30 case with four flexible in-line leads. The additional cen-
ter lead is connected to the metal case providing a complete unit shield and interlead shield. Coupling to adjacent circuit components is reduced to a minimum.

Call your Sylvania Sales Representative or write direct for information on new Sylvania PNP drift transistors, types 2N $247,2 N 370,2 N 371,2 N 372$ and $2 N 544$.



For industrial automatic controls and ground military tracking equipment, Ferrac magnetic amplifiers provide exceptional stability. These hermetically sealed units require no bias or compensation; null balance is permanently built in.

They operate directly from 115-volt 60-CPS power line. Standard units are available from current production for general purpose, thermocouple amplifier, integrators, and high gain ( 5 volts out for 100 microamperes in).



Floating base goes on foam blocks. Bolts in base are capped with springs
pounds units, appropriate thicknesses for other weights and crate sizes. The box used for most shipments is $90 \times 40 \times 36$ inches and is shipped horizontal. It may contain several units of smaller size.

In packing, the instrument is first covered with a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch padding and a 4 -mil polyethylene bag left unsealed to prevent interior condensation.

The platform is secured to the base with 8 steel coil springs bolted through base and platform. The springs, to absorb shock, are wrapped to protect the cabinet finish. Separating the base from the floating deck are 2 inch pads of polyurethane foam held in place by the springs and distributed according to the weight of the shipment.

A pad is laid over the deck and the instrument is laid on this and strapped with 3 steel bands placed


Padded and bagged recorder is strapped to padded base. Springs have been padded also


Sides and top of box are taped and stapled in place
over double wrappings. The veneer sides and ends are stapled in place. End and side joints are taped and the top is stapled. Battens of $1 \times 4$ inch lumber brace the tops.

Advantages over previous packaging methods are reported as reductions in cost, packaging time and shipping weight, a clean surface for printing identification or advertising and standardization of package size.

## Plates Connect Ribbon Cable to Terminals

Prepunched supporting plates suitable for connecting ribbon cables to printed circuit boards or mating female terminals are employed in a connector family made by Elco Corp., Philadelphia, Pa.

Ribbon cables with conductors embedded in plastic or with conductors printed on one or both sides of plastic are joined by similar methods. Any spacing or pattern can be handled.

First step with the embedded conductor type of cable is to remove the insulation from $\frac{1}{2}$ inch at the


Bare conductors fed through holes of con. tact plate


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Contacts on plastic strips fit into holes in plate


After contacts are staked and excess conductor cut off, plate is ready for solder

The required number of lower tier contacts, supplied on plastic strips, are inserted through the corresponding holes of the supporting plate and staked to the board. A pad presses the cable against the supporting plate, fastening the cable to the board. The contact leg presses against the bare conductor at the hole of the supporting plate, bonding contact and cable conductor.

After removal of the plastic strip, the upper tier contacts are inserted and staked. Excess conductor material is cut off and the supporting plate is dip-soldered on the staked side.

The supporting plate has two slots through which the free end of the cable is fed. This secures it to the plate, preventing strain at connector joints.

Cables with printed conductors already have bare conductors at the points of connection with holes, corresponding to the contact leg


Other side of support plates, with taper tab and stand-off contacts
location. The cable is placed on top of the supporting plate so that the conductors line up with corresponding contact leg holes in the supporting plate. Contacts on plastic strips are inserted and staked as described previously.

In both, the staking creates a pressure connection between contact tail and conductor. Soldering gives a second independent connection, thus increasing the reliability of the joint.

## Peephole Packing Case

Corrugated cardboard cartons used to ship portable television receivers made by Admiral Corp., Chicago, Ill., contain three knife cut sections. Two viewing slots 5 by 7 inches provide access to the picture controls and power cord. Another, 4 by $1 \frac{3}{?}$ inches, exposes a portion of the picture tube. A dealer can check out the packed receiver by merely pressing in the knife-cut sections, eliminating the necessity for opening and resealing the carton. A heavier than normal corrugated material is used to increase the strength of the carton for warehousing and shipping.

## Acid Sharpens Files

Worn hand files and similar tools may be sharpened in an electrolytic sulphuric acid bath. Files are placed as anodes in a 56 percent solution of acid in a lead-lined tank. Cathodes are stainless steel. As a current of 100 amperes at 8 to 10 volts dc passes through the bath, the teeth of the files are eaten away so that a new cutting edge is formed on each tooth.

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## New Tape Equipment Arrives



## Industry, Military Benefit

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Olympic Radio \& Television Co., $34-0138 t h$ Ave., L. I. C., N. Y., (300), announces model RX-118 magnetic tape recorder-reproducer. It is adaptable for use in airport tower work, Naval sonar recording, FCC broadcast monitoring and other applications. It records onc or two separate audio chamels simultanconsly on one reel of tape for $2+$ hours svithoui reloading.
Now available from Presto Recording Corp., P. O. Box 500, Paramus, N. J., (301), is the 800 series of professional tape recorders alesigned for radio stations and industrial users. They feature three motors, a $10 \frac{1}{2}$ reel capacity and solenoid-actuated brakes, whose new design eliminates frequent readjustment.
Telectro Industries Corp., 35-16 37th St., L. I. C., N. Y., (302), lias developed the TA-1085, a $1+$-channel magnetic tape transport that drives the tape with extemely low flutter. Modes of operation"record," "playlack," "fast forward," "stop" and "fast rewind"-may be remotely controlled.
Model 3270 miniature random access memory is offered by Potter Instrument Co., Inc., Sunnyside Blvd., Plainvicw, L. I., N. Y., (303). It consists of a tape transport mechanism with transistorized drive and programming circuitry. Each of the two recls on the transport contains approximately 35 ft of one-in. tape.
Librascope, Inc., to L. Verdugo Ave., Burbank, Calif., (30t), has in production a large type tape demagnetizer for broadcasting and data tapes. Reels up to $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$. in cliameter for tape widths up to 2 in . can be handled. Rapid degaussing is accomplished through the automatic turntable which eliminates the hand rotation method.


## Electrostatic Source for lab experiments

Forest Products, Inc., 131 Portland St., Cambridge, Mass. A new electrostatic generator, designed for laboratory experiments requiring a continuous source of static elcetricity, stands $17 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$. high and creates a usable charge of 150,000 $v$ at $5 \mu \mathrm{a}$.

Similar in design and operation to the multi-million volt electrostatic generators used for atomic research, the new generator is of a size that makes it ideal for industrial laboratories and other similar uses. Circle 305 on Reader Service Card.


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Helipot engineers desired to eliminate these problems by eliminating the copper-wire mandrel. But the elimination of the mandrel also
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At Helipot's request, Driver-Harris went to work with these specifications: The wire must be of dependable uniform hardness so that in stretching it, equal spacing between turns is obtained, free of creep. This is essential to linearity. The wire also must be of unvarying diameter for uniform resistance. And its surface must be extremely clean-free of oxide coating to minimize contact "noise".

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## Pulsed Oscillator high power unit

Arenberg Ultrasonic Laboratory, Inc., 94 Grceı St., Jamaica Plain 30, Mass. Model PG-650 oscillator is a variable frequency pulse modulated r-f source for applications requiring high power output as well as extreme stability. Its principal use has been in meas-
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fier of the cro and no other. Circle 308 on Reader Service Card.

## Adjustment Pot is humidity proof

Bourns Laboratories, Inc., Riverside, Calif., amnounces a new leadscrew-actuated adjustment potentiometer which is sealed against humidity and capable of 135 C

operation. Model 236 Trimpot meets military humidity specs. It has a 0.8 w power dissipation, and emplovs a new element termination termed Silverweld, and ceramic card, providing maximum stability and reliability. Circle 309 on Reader Service Card.


## Frequency Meter precision device

Varo Mfg. Co., Inc., 2201 Valnut St., Garland, Texas. Moclel 6506 is designed to fill the need for a precision frequency measuring device for missile and aircraft +00 cps
power sources. The transistorized meter provides 0.05 percent accuracy at +00 cps by calibration of the discriminator with an internal tuning fork. Accuracy of 0.1 percent is achieved at full scale, 397 to 403 cpss . Circle 310 on Reader Service Card.

## Tiny Resistor <br> has wide range

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G. M. Giannini \& Co., Inc. 918 East Green St., Pasadena 1, Calif. Built to NAS standards in $l_{\text {Th }}^{\top}$ in. and $1 \frac{3}{4}$ in. sizes, a new line of precision pots can be supplied singly or as extermally plaseable ganged units.

Standard resolution for model $1+37$ ( $l_{17}^{7}$ in.) is provided as lighla as 3900 wires, with a resistance range from 100 to 160,000 ohms. Model 1750 ( $1 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{in}$.) is available with resolution to 5000 wires, and with a resistance ranging from 100 to 300,000 olums. Standard linearity range for botlo units is 0.5 percent to 0.1 percent. Circle 322 on Reader Service Card.


## Vibration Pickups high sensitivity

Southwestern Industrial Electronics Co., 2831 Post Oak Road, Houston 19, Texas. Development of a unique magnetic circuit now enables SIE to offer the new TDScries vibration pickups which combine the temperature stability of


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RATINGS: 30VA 50VA I00VA
Higher ratings available.

## APPLICATION:

For gyro wheel supplies and where precise 400 cycle voliages are required in aircraft, radar and missile computers.

## FEATURES:

PRECISION OUTPUT FREQUENCY RUGGED
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MILITARY SPECIFICATIONS


PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS

| MODEL <br> NUMBERS | $\pm .01 \%$ CPS | SIS 40311 | SIS 40511 | SIS 410011 |
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|  | $\pm .05 \%$ CPS | SIS 40315 | SIS 40515 | SIS 410015 |
| INPUT VOLTAGE |  | $28 \mathrm{~V} D \mathrm{C} \pm 10 \%$ |  |  |
| MAX. OUTPUT POWER |  | 30 Va | S0VA | 100Va |
| OUTPUT VOLTAGE |  | 115 V a ( (Adjustable $\pm 10 \%$ ) |  |  |
| OUTPUT FREQUENCY |  | $\begin{aligned} & 400 \text { CPS } \pm .01 \% \\ & 400 \text { CPS } \pm .05 \% \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| VOLTAGE REGULATION |  |  |  |  |
| FREQUENCY DISTORTION |  | $3 \%$ Maximum At Full lood |  |  |
| LOAD POWER FACTOR |  | $\pm 0.5$ to - 0.5 Maximum |  |  |
| MILITARY SPECS. |  | MIL.E-5400A \& MIL-E-5272A |  |  |
| AMBIENT TEMPERATURE |  | $-55^{\circ} \mathrm{C} 10+71^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ when mounted to heat sink |  |  |
| VIGRATION |  | 20G 10102000 CPS |  |  |
| UNIT DIMENSMONS |  | $\begin{array}{llll} 15^{\prime \prime} & 0 & 2 & 7 / 8^{\prime \prime \prime} \\ & H & 2 & 13 / 16^{\prime \prime} \end{array}$ | $18^{\prime \prime}$ D | $\begin{array}{rllll} 110^{\prime \prime} & \text { D } & 4 & 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \\ & \text { H } & 2 & 13 / 16^{\prime \prime} \end{array}$ |
| WEIGHT (Approx.) |  | 2 lbs . | 3.5 lbs. | 5 lbs . |

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## Rectifiers

silicon-cartridge
International Rectifier Corp., 1521 E. Grand Ave., El Scgundo, Calif., has available a complete serics of hermetically-sealed, high current silicon cartridge-type rectifiers featuring current ratings three to four times greater than those of standard h-v umits. Designed for forced-air or liquid cooling, these miniature rectifiers utilize metallized ccramic housings with ferruletype terminals for insertion into standard 30 ampere fuse clips. They are available in piv ratings of from 1,500 to $16,000 \mathrm{v}$ at rectified d-c output currents ranging from 210 to 360 mad. Circle 324 on Reader Service Card.


## Connectors

small and light
Amphenol Electronics Corp., Chicago 50, I11. MIL-C-5015C "E"
construction MS connectors, trade named Stub) E, are now available. Clamed to be the smallest and lightest made, they fully conform to the envirommental-resistance icquirements of the cited specification.

Available in shell types 3100, 3101,3102 and 3106, the connectors incorporate standard MS insert configurations. Features inclucle a fully unitized rear grommet and cable clamp which can be quickly assembled and disasscmbled, prefilled contact solder pockets for instant, casy soldering, and the weight-saving, space-saving slicll design.


## L-F Crystal Units in glass holders

Reeves-Horfaran Div., Dynamics Corp. of America, Carlisle, Pa. Precision low-frequency crystal units in glass holders, type RIIG-DP, are built to provide more accurate frequency control in the andio range of from 1 to 15 kc . They may be used in aircraft navigation equipment, telephone carrict systems, communication systems and test equipment. Components are hermetically scaled in glass bulbs (T $5 \frac{1}{2}$ with noval basc), assuring internal clcanliness and reliable cracuation. Circle 325 on Reader Scrvice Card.

## Power Supply transistorized

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## Quartz Crystals <br> I-f devices

Monitor Products Co., 815 Fremont Ave., South Pasadena, Calif., announces new low frequency quartz crystals to meet high vibration requirements. The MC-13/U crystals are fully tested from 2 to $2,000 \mathrm{cps}$ vibration. Typical tolcrance is $\pm .012$ percent from -40 C to +70 C . Circle 327 on Reader Service Card.


## Crystal Oven controls temperature

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## Oscilloscopes

d-c to 200 kc
Hewlett-Packard Co., 275 Pagc Mill Road, Palo Alto, Calif. The 120 A (cabinet mount) and 120 AR (rack mount) are d-c to 200 kc oscilloscopes with automatic triggering and simplified controls. They have a sweep speed range of $1 \mu \mathrm{sec} / \mathrm{cm}$ to $0.5 \mathrm{sec} / \mathrm{cm}$. Included is a times-5 sweep expansion on all ranges, with vernier for contimuous control. Fifteen calibrated sweeps are provided, in l-2-5 sequence. Instantancous, automatic synchronizing is provided on any internal or external voltage; scopes may also be triggered by line voltage. Calibrated identical bandwielth vertical and horizontal amplifiers provide convenient phase measurement. Circle 329 on Reader Service Card.

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Type 101 F may be mounted by its leads alonc, in a fuse clip or a 0.290 in. hole. Type 101 G is supplied with a nut for mounting in a 5/16 in. hole and a mut for locking the shaft against rotation. Circle 330 on Reader Scrvice Card.


## Decade Amplifier

 transistorizedZacharias Eefctronics Corp., P.O. Box 172, Livingston, N. J. Model 40-A transistor decade amplifier lends itself to a wide variety of fixed or portable applications. The amplifier noise figure is made independent of thic magnitude of the driving impedance through the use of a vacum tube at the input stage. Thie input impediance, in excess of 10 megohms, minimizes loading of circuits under test. The constant 800 ohm output impedance is uscful for driving many passive networks. A gain of 10 or 100 is availalble over the 2 to 1,000 ,000 cps range throughout the 800 lir life of the batterics, with an accuracy of $\pm 0.2 \mathrm{db}$ from 10 cps to $300,000 \mathrm{cps}$ and $\pm 1 \mathrm{db}$ from 5 to $500,000 \mathrm{cps}$. Maximum out-
put is 3 v trus or 1 mv . Circle 331 on Reader Service Card.


## Crest Voltmeter

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Sensitive Researci Instrument Corp., 310 Main St., Nav Rocholle, N. Y., has available a new crest voltmeter for masasuring positive and negative peaks and rms. All three functions are measured by means of switching. Clooice of pulse response from 10 to 99 or 100 and above is also be switch.

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## Circuit Breaker <br> subminiaturized

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## Molding Compounds for cable breakouts

Coast Pro-Seal and Mrg. Co., 2235 Beverly Blicl, Los Angeles, Calif. Two non-thiokol permanently flexible cable molding compounds with virtually no cold flow at room temperature have been developed. Designated as I'ro-Sca! 787 and 788 , the compounds are designed for use on "Y" brackouts and "multiple finge"" breakouts.

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## Synthetic Sapphire in large shapes

Linde Co., 30 E. 42 nd St., New York 17, N. Y., has available single crystal sapphire in large shapes,


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such as for windows, also in the form of rods, domes, balls, slugs and many special shapes. The material is transparent, has good dielectric characteristics, a high melting point, strengtlo at elevalted temperatures, extreme hardness and excellent infrared and ultraviolet transmission characteristics. Uses include output windows for high power klvstrons, magnetrons, traveling wave and TR tubes. Circle 335 on Reader Service Card.


## Load Control Relay watt-sensitive

Maciinery Electrification, Inc., 56 Hudson St., Northboro, Mass. The MEK-213+ load control relay was designed for use with threcphase induction motors. Since any clange in motor loading requires a change in input power (watts) the MEK-213t serics controls offer advantages over devices which respond only to changes in current (amperes). Circle 336 on Reader Service Card.


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## Capacitors microminiature

General Electric Co., Schencctady 5, N. Y., amounces al new line of slug-tvpe microminiáture Tintalytic capacitors. These polar units permit higher microfarad ratings than can be obtained by wire-type units with the same case size. The capacitors are nomally enclosed in a Mylar sleeve which affords cxcellent insulating qual. ities.

The new capacitors are designed for low voltage transistor applica-tions-such as hearing aids-where high microfarad values are required in extremely small spaces. Circle 338 on Reader Service Card.


## Beam Power Tube

 high perveanceRadio Corp. of America, Harrison, N. J., has introduced the $709+$ high pervance beam power
tube with high power gain. In continuous-wave service it can be operated with 500 w input (intermittent commercial and amateur service) at frequencies up to 50 mc and with reduced input up to 175 me. It has a maximum plate dissipation of 125 w (ICAS) in modulator and $c-w$ service.

The new tube can be operated with relatively low plate voltage to give large power output with small driving power. Circle 339 on Reader Service Card.


## Filter Trap <br> in two models

Benco Television Associates Ltd., 27 Taber Road, Rexdale, Ontario, Canada, announces development of their new improved adjacent channel interference filter trap, known as the Filter Matic. The unit incorporates Hi-Q traps as well as band pass filters. It is available in single and dual models. Circle 340 on Reader Service Card.


## Transformer <br> miniature unit

Advince Industries, Inc., 670 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, Mass., has available a new miniature, asymmetric, laminar power toroid for use in either airborne or ground equipment.

This 25 -watt, 400 -cycle transformer is available in voltage rat-


The new Millivac MV-32A precision RMS VTVM is a "transfer" voltmeter in which the unknown voltage is carefully matched by a very accurate calibratior signal. Thus, all measuring errors created by the range attenuator, AC amplifier, rectifier and indicating instrument are completely eliminated.

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## Rotary Converter changes d-c to a-c

Kato Engineering Co., $1+15$ First Ave., Mankato, Minn. This rotary converter can be mounted casily in a vertical position as a component of test equipment, on boats or ground mobile equipment which are suppliced only with d-c and must have a small source of a-c.

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## Power Amplifier <br> for X-band use

Residel Engineering Corp., 330 So. Fair Oaks Ave., Pasadiena, Calif. No. 90173 X-l)and pulse / $\mathbf{c}$-w power amplifier consists of a widc-loand twt, power supply, and air cooling assemblies requiring a total of approximatcly 38 in . of 19 -in. relay rack space.

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Electrical Connectors. Component Mfg. Service, Inc., Component Park. West Bridgewater, Mass. A t-page illustrated folder discusses the company's custom service for producing electrical comectors of Molded-On one-piece construction, With the techmigue mentioned, wire ends and soldered joints are embedded and isolated from each other in a solid body of high impact insulating material. Circle 251 on Reader Service Card.

Miniature Chopper. The Bristol Co., Waterbury 20, Comm. A single-page bulletin illustrates and describes a new syncroverter dpolt miniature chopper designed for high reliability and long life in dry circuit applications. Characteristics and dimensional drawing are given. Circle 252 on Reader Service Card.

Reflex Klystrons. Eitel-McCullough, Inc., San Brumo, Calif., has available an illustrated booklet which covers the adaptation of ceramics to a new line of Einuac reflex klystrons. Specifications are included. Circle 253 on Reader Service Card.

Relays. Iton Fireman Mfg. Co., 2838 S. E. 9th Ave., Portland 2, Ore. A new catalog describes miniature and subminiature relays manufactured by the company. A special section includes data and charts for computing the character-

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istics of relays under varying condi tions of resistance, current, voltage, power and temperature. Circle 254 on Reader Service Card.

Silicon Rectifiers. Audio Devices, Inc., Rectifier Division, 620 E. Dyer Road. Santa Ana, Calif, has published a 6 -page silicon rectifier handbook which explains the technicalitics of these devices how they are made, where they are used, and how to use them in many applications. Price is \$1. Circle 255 on Reader Service Card.

Solderless Terminals. AMP Inc., Harrisburg 30, P'a. The Selectalog is a 20 -page, four-color booklet summarizing the information containced in AMP's catalog serics. In tonded as a reference indies for those concerned with moderin elec tric circuitry, the brochure also constitutes a digest of soldeiless termination techniques. By using it, the engincer can sclect the catalog which offers the information he seeks. Circle 256 on Reader Service Card.

Tantalum Capacitors. Prramid Electric Co., $14+5$ Hudson Blid. North Bergen, N. J. A t-page bulletin contains enginecring data and clectrical characteristics for a new slug-type tantalum capacitor line. Circle 257 on Reader Service Card.

Teflon Terminals. Scalectro Corp., 610 Favette Aice, Mamaroneck, N. Y. A condensed listing of the most popular Press-Fit types-stand-offs, feed-throughs, conncetors. test jacks, probes, plugs and taper-pin receptacles-is presented in a new catalog. Circle 258 on Reader Service Card.

Thermistor Probe Assemblies. I'enwal Electronics, Inc., Mellen St., Framingham, Mass. Ninc specially designed thermistor probe assemblies are described in detail in a now 4-page brochure. Each assembly is identified by its most common application, and has com-

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Transistor Physics. Texals Instruments Inc., P.O. Box 312, Dallas, Texas. An 8-page reprint of an illustrated article entitled "Transistor Phvsics" is available. It contains information on the element genmanium, discusses diode action and the diode cquation. The author then introduces the concept of transistor action developing the necessary associated equations. Circle 260 on Reader Service Card.

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Analog Computer. Donner Scientific Co., Concord, Calif. Eightpage clata file 310 describes the model 3100 high accuracy, medium size analog computer. In desigu, analvsis, or control problems, the computer discussed affords an accurate, time-saving model of an arbitrary plysical system. Circle 261 on Reader Service Card.

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Microwave Frequency Meter. Polytechnic Research \& Develop ment Co., Inc., 202 Tillars St., Brooklyn 1, N.Y. A single-shect bulletin contains features and specifications of the type $587-1$ microwave frequency meter which has an extended range of 250 to $1,000 \mathrm{mc}$. Price of the unit described is $\$ 250$. Circle 264 on Reader Service Card.

Portable P-A Sustem. Polvtronies Inc., 7326 Westmore Rcl., Rockville, Mcl. A four-page folder illustrates and clescribes the PortaVox, a new portable self-powered p-a system. Applications and prices are included. Circle 265 on Reader Service Card.

## FACILITIES

Printed Circuitry. Printed Electronics Corp., North St., Natick, Mass. A new brochure on printed circuitry, in file folder style, contains full descriptive data on materials, specifications, design tolerances, and application information. The patented Narcus Process for plating holes is described. PEC provides complete engineering services and manufacturing facilities for printed circuitry. Circle 266 on Reader Service Card.

Pulverizing Service. Liquid Nitrogen Processing Corp., 451 Booth St., Chester, Pal, has available literature announcing its servicc of pulverizing heat-sensitive materials with liquid nitrogen. The service discussed is indicated where (l) the materials might thermally degrade during pulverizing; (2) a reactive compound would be converted because of heat elcvation; and (3) where the materials will soften or melt at a low temperature. Circle 267 on Reader Service Card.
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Kenneth F. Julin, president of the Leach Corp., which produces controls and power for aircraft and missiles, held a small clectric current producing device called a thermistor as he receiverl a congratulatory open house handshake from Los Angeles Cliamber of Commerce president George B. Gose.

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The new Leach facility in suburban Compton contains $101,000 \mathrm{sq}$ ft and liouses corporate offices and two divisions-the Inct, which produces aircraft, missiles and control system cquipment, and $S_{\text {pecial }}$ Products, which engages in new product development.

The original company, the Leach Rclay, which claims to account for one-tenth of all relays produced in the U.S. for military and commercial airplanes, missiles and industrial purposes, is housed in a plant nearer thic heart of Los Angeles.

Dedication of the new facility brought to a climax one third of a century of Leach history that began in San Francisco slortly after World War I with formation of a
company making an autonatic antenna switch and power relay. Founder was a former U.S. Navy radio operator, V. A. Leach.


## Appoint Epstein Chief Engineer

Control Elfectronics Co., Inc., Huntington Station, N. Y., has appointed Markus M. Epstcin (picture) as chief enginecr.

Epstcin, formerly with Empire Devices, Inc., also was associated at one time with the Fairchild Pilotless Plane Division and his background includes, as well, work with the Bell Aircraft Corp., Lewyt Corp., and the U. S. Army Signal Corps. His developments have covered the broad field from d-c devices through microwave systems and components. He has
completed projects in radar, guided missiles controls, autopilots, microwave components and systems, noise and ficld intensity reccivers, and precision power supplics.


## Name Lehne V-P

Appointment of Henfy Leline (picture) as vice president of Sylvania Electronic Systems, a division of Sylvania Electric Products Inc., is announced. He continucs as gencral manager of the division with headquarters in Waltham, Mass.

Leline joincd Sylvamia in 1953 after serving for 14 years in various enginecring and sales positions with Republic Aviation Corp.

## Set Up New Firm In West

Six exccutives (one marketing cxpert, five cnginecrs) left a leading L. A. engincering firm at the end of January to organize tlicir own dcvelopment and manufacturing company, PARABAM, in El Scgundo, Calif. Headed by Thomas A. Feeney, president, they expect their experience, ranging from 13 to 20 ycars apiece and their proven ability for teammork to carry them through the current slump and up into the predicted third quarter defense spending upsurge. Applying stock speculation principles PARABAM decided to plunge in while the market is low.

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## Chief Engineer

Ross F. Miller (picture) is named chicf enginecr of the electronic systems and equipment clement of Nortronics, Hawthornc, Calif. The appointment follows the establish. ment of Nortronics as an operating division of Northrop Aircraft, luc., and the formation of operat ing elements of the new organization.

Miller is knowin for his work in the field of military ciectronics. He plaved a prominent role in the devclopment of a successful intercontimental guidance sustem for the Northrop SM-6? Snark missile.

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## ERA Adds to Exec Staff

Expansion of the cxecutive staff brings Patrick B. Danicls (picture) to the position of assistant to the presiclent of Electronic Rescarch Associates, Inc., Cedar Grove, N. J. The firm manufactures semiconductor and transistorized products.

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Prior to his association with ERA, Danicls was with the Kay Elcetric Co. for six vears, and was responsible for accounting and financial procedures. He las also been associated with the Chase Resistor Co. and Pyro Film Resistor Co.

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## Plant Briefs

Nuclear-Electronics Corp. recently completed moring its enginecring and administrative departments to 2925 N. Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa,, where its production department has been located for some time.

Haller, Raymond and Brown, Inc., a division of The Singer Mfg. Co., las moved to its new $+2,000 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$ permanent headquarters at Science Park in Statc Collcge, Pa.

## News of Reps

B. B. Taylor Corp., manufacturer's reps for New York City and New Jersey, is named to carry the miniature pulse transformers of Pulse Engincering Inc., Redwood City, Calif.

Martin Mann Associates, manufacturers rep in southern Califomia and Arizona, has completed its move into new enlarged quarters at $1+751$ Keswick St., Van Nuys, Calif.

The American Rectificr Corp. of New York City, manufacturers of d-c power supplies, transformers, magnetic amplificrs and control cquipment, will be represented in the New York metropolitan area, New Jersey and eastern Pennsỵlvania by Wally Shulan \& Co.


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## Electrical Measurements and Their Applications

By Walter C. Michels.
D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc., New York, 1957. 322 p, $\$ 6.75$

This book is based on an carlier text entitled "Advanced Electrical Mcasurments" by Valter C Michaels, which initially appeared in 1932 and again subsequently in $19+1$.

The book is in two parts; the first part, comprising nine clapters, deals with funclamental measurement instrumentation, the clectrical theory underlying the basic design of the instriment and the parameters that these instrumentation can be used to measure. The text is categorized so that instruments to be treated and the parameters to be measured are discussed in order of ascending frequency

Part II deals with the application of the basic techmique of measurments to the determination of magnetic and nonelectrical parancters including temperature, pressure, force, radiation and sound level.

Actual Emphasis-The titje of the book, "Electrical Measurements and Their Applications" is somewhat misleading. A critical reading of the text indicates that methods and techniques of measurement are subordinated to a presentation of basic instrumentation used in electrical measurements. Thus, while most of the information contained in the tert is sound, because of the categorization by instrument (e.g., nulltype, deflection type, amplificrtype, many basic measurement methods are ignored; lience criticism because of omission or muisplaced cmphasis may thercfore be justificel.

To illustrate, less than three pages of text are devoted to the measurement of frequency throngliout the cutire spectrum while approximatcly 17 pages are devoted to the measurement of resistance at d-c, in one form or another. Less than one page of text is deroted to the measurement of resistivity and dielectric constant; the word conductivity is not even indexed.

Power measurements, per se, are similaily given only cursory treatment.

Categorization by instrumentation is discarded in Chapters 8 and 9 , and the author randomly describes components and instrumentation used at r-f and microwave frequencics. There results a fai from complete picture of incasureinents at these frequencics. It is not clear why the author chooses to devote four pages to a presentation of the impedance characteristics of coaxial cables, while at the same time chooses to ignore such fundamental devices as calorimeters, frequency standards ancl spectrum analyzers.

Commercial Instruments-In the preface, the author indicates that "no attempt was made to clescribe and cvaluate all of the commercial instruments now availalble for the laboratory." While this qualification is necessarily truc for most texts, the reader is apt to be misled by incomplete descriptions of the jnstruments that are described. Thus, for example, no mention is made of the attenuator derice described on pages 97 through 99 other than in connection with its matching propertics. Its usc as a level-set device or its application in power and attenuation measurements is not indicated.

Although the slotted-line is described in Chapter 9 in conncetion with the measurement of vsivi and inipedance, no mention is made of the use of the slotted line for frequency, attenuation or Q-factor measurements.

In the Oct. 1957 Procecdings of the IRE, G. B. Hoadley points out several mislcading statements appearing in the text. Others are as follows. On p 215 , the author defines a slotted line as ". . . a coaxial line .. .", thus inferring that all slotted lines are coaxial. On p 219, he infers by the sentence ". . . since the inner conductor of the line must be supported at its cucls by dielectric beads . . ." that all coaxial slotted lines must be supported by dielectric beads at both endis. This, of course, is not necessarily truc. The criterial for differentiating between tramsmissiontype and reaction-type wavemeters,


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described on p 227, are not those generally considered and are somewhat vague.

Undergraduate Textbook-Incomplete as the text is, augmented by good instruction, "Elcetrical Measurcments and Their Applications", should prove a useful one for a first undergraduate course in clectrical measurcments. Its treatment of such instrumentation as galvonometers, roltmeters and ammeters, is quite complete. An excellent feature of the lrok is that it is liberally supplemented bv a scrics of over 40 laboratory experiments, ereated around the text material presented. The experiments themselies are woll written and provide a mucleus for a good first clectrical measurement laboratory course.

Pant II of the text comprices an cxecllent portion of the book and is invaluable in giving the student reader an insight into electrical measurments with which he ordinarily is not familiar. This latter portion of the book is quite modern and includes relatively $n \mathrm{Cw}$ material, as evidenced by some of the more recent references.-Moe Wind, Chief Applications Engineer. Polvtechmic Rescatch es Do relopment Co., Inc., Brooklyn, N.Y

## Elektronenrohren

## (Electron Tubes)

By M. J. O. Strutt
Springer-Verlag, Berlin, 1957, 391 p, DM 58.50 .

Thus book represents a thoroughly scrised thiod edition of Dr. Strutt's carlier work "Modern Multi-Gricl Elcetron Tubes" whose seconcl eclition appeared in 1940. The present work covers a wide variety of tube types with the exception of microwave tubes, including, however, semiconductors and transistors.

Three major divisions cover elcetrophysical and technical fundamentals; clectron interaction with the electromagnetic field; data and characteristics of typical cramples of electron tubes.

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The format and typograploy are on the high level characteristic of the Springer-Verlag technical publications.

The tube enginecr will find this book a mine of uscful information and the circuit engincer, too, may find it interesting.-M. Eitenberg, Sperry Gyroscope Co. Dis. of Sperry Rand Corp., Great Neck, N. Y.

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1956 Supplement to the Bibliography and Abstracts on Electrical Contacts. Amcrican Society for Testing Materials, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, Pa.. 1957, 4t p. $\$ 1.75$ (paper). Latest supplement to 1952 edition.

Introduction to Operations Research. By C. W. Churchman, R. L. Ackoff and E. L. Arnoff, John Wilev \& Sous, Inc., New York, 1957, $48 \mathrm{p}, \$ 12.00$. Introduction to rations research based on lccpresented at Case Institute chnolog:


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## Radar History

The article "Behind the Blair Patent" (Nor. 20, '57, p 21) tells of the recent granting of a patent on pulsc-echo radar to retired Colonel William R. Blair. A couple of remarks pertinent to the story may be in order.

Col. Blair's patent describes an carly type radar known as SCR-268. Pictures of it, and a description, can be found in Elfetronics, Sept. '45, as well as in Vol. I. pp 203-4 of the Radiation Laboratory Series. The SCR-268 emplors three antemate and its operation is based on the well-known lobe-switching and pip-matching techmiquc. Duc to the shortcomings of this technique, this radar was replaced by the microwave radars, the first and most widely used of which was SCR-58t. The work on this raclar began in MIT's Radiation Lab in January, 1941. It was describexl in detail in Eiectronics, Nov. '45, Dec. ' 45 and Fcb. '46.

The operation of SCR-58t consists, in the essence, in actuating the sweep of a scope at the moment corresponding to the leading edge of the rectangular cmelope of each transmitted puise, and in determining the time lag from the position of the leading edge of the rectangular cnvelope of the received rectificd pulse.

It would bc of interest to point out that the radar circuit which makes use of two rectangular pulses was first described in patent $2,404,527$, granted to $G$. Potapenko of Califomia Institute of Tcchnology. This patent, Electric Distance Meter, had bcen applied for on May 2, 1939; it was kept in the government files under secrecy order until the end of the war and issucd on July $23,19+6$.

The official statement of Armv Signal Engineering Lablalls Blair's patent basic for the pulse-echo method. It may be mentioned that the pulsc-echo method had been described in 1926 by G. Breit and M. Ture of the Carnegie Institution, Vashington, D. C., in Physical Review, Vol. 28, p 504.

I have no intention to mudermine the credit due to Col. Blair for his "pip-matching" SCR-268, but believe the record will be made
a bit morc clear when the facts mentionced are taken into consideration. I assume Prof. Potapenko's name is not unknown to reaklers. His picture appeared on the cover of Eiectronics, Nov. '33, in connection with his work on centimeter waves. He looks different now, hut this camot be helped.

## F. A. Urechit

 Fuifivider, Mitingly \& Mustley Long Brach, Calif.Reader Utecht's analysis is most interesting, and Prof. Potapenko's patent, in the light of everything that's happened in the microwave field since 1939, provided us with a fascinating evening's reading.

## Shotter Timer

In your article "Timer Shutter CRT for Single Frame Photos" (Apr. 11, p 83) yon mention timers using complicated cligital type countcrs for triggering the single frame picture "on" for the proper duration.

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This device was described in Eif.ctronics. Mar. '50 in an article titled "Single-Franc TV Photography" by Maurice Distel and Allan Gross.

## Maurice Distel

U. S. Army Signal Engi-
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Beimar, N. J.
And while we're on the subject of our Apr. 11 issuc: a couple of readers have asked if we supply inverting magnifiers for the picture of the pulse analyzer, product of Technical Measurement Corp., that appears on p 145 of that issuc. Secms the picture shows the analyzer standing on its head. We checked and discovered that our composing roon people were do ${ }^{\text {- }}$ headstands when that page made up. They have bee structed to desist from su seemly springtime revelry.

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