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	1N537	100	750	250	0.40		1N254	190*	1.5	0.4*	10
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BUSINESS BRIEFS

ELECTRONICS NEWSLETTER

- ATLAS ICBM PRODUCTION PUSH is seen in plans to take the Titan's pure inertial guidance system and put it into Atlas. Move indicates that American Bosch Arma's pure i-g system is good enough for operational use. Contracts for Atlas' secondary system-GE's radio-inertial with Burroughs' ground-based computer system-will still be completed, however, to back-up the Atlas program. Because of the all-out Atlas effort, Titan will fall back on its secondary system-Bell Telephone Laboratories' radio-inertial -for initial flight tests. Later, Arma's pure i-g will go back into Titan. USAF says both secondary systems are satisfactory; shift to selfcontained pure i-g is only to avoid electronic countermeasures.
- AMERICAN SCIENTISTS IN MOSCOW for the Fifth IGY Congress said Russian data on cosmic radiation encountered by the sputniks agrees closely with findings of U.S. satellites and earlier cosmic radiation studies. McGraw-Hill World News correspondent William Coughlin, who recently arrived in Moscow, reported that two Soviet suggestions have been advanced on the origin of low energy radiation near the earth: (1) Decay of neutrons. This would result from cosmic rays slamming into the earth's atmosphere with secondary products diffusing out and neutrons decaying into pro-

tous plus electrons with a half-life of 13 minutes; (2) Electrons from the sun arrive in clouds of gas. Commenting on the similarity of this to U.S. statements, J. A. Simpson, University of Chicago physicist and cosmic radiation expert, said: "Like in zoology, we've got a new animal—we've trapped him—now we've got to find ont what he is and where he came from."

- NEW RESIN BINDING technique will be used in assembling the magnets for a 6 bev electron accelerator to be completed in 1960 for Harvard and MIT scientists. The \$6.5 million AECsupported machine will have a potential energy level five to six times that of previous electron accelerators. Electrons will whirl around the synchrotron for a sixtieth of a second. In that time they'll make 10,000 revolutions and get 160,000 accelerating boosts from 16 r-f cavities between the magnets. Contract for construction of the 612 magnet cores has just been announced by Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp.'s Eddystone division.
- FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMIS-SION which began vacation period this month will remain in recess until Sept. 1. To handle emergency matters, Commissioners Doerfer and Lee will be in frequent touch with their offices, and both plan to stay in or near Washington.



FIGURES OF THE WEEK

RECEIVER PRODUCTION

(Source: EIA)	July 25, '58	July 18, 158	July 26, '57
Television sets, total	60,164	56,130	123,522
Radio sets, total	173,079	161,756	234,034
Auto sets	54,653	49,771	84,394
STOCK PRICE AVERA	GES		
(Source: Standard & Poor's)	July 30, '58	July 23, 158	July 31, 157
Radio-tv & electronics	50.59	50.43	49.23
Radio broadcasters	62.20	62.35	62.67

FIGURES OF THE YEAR

	1958	1957	Percent Change
Receiving tube salés	154,136,000	1 <mark>85</mark> ,847,000	-17.1
Transistor production	14,894,230	8,954,000	+66.3
Cathode-ray tube sales	2,963,741	3,710,646	20.1
Television set production	1,790,840	2,178, <mark>36</mark> 1	<u>17.8</u>
Radio set production	4,186,869	6,098,951	<u>—31.4</u>
TV set sales	1,927,290	2,420,633	-20,4
Radio set sales (excl. auto)	2,307,610	2,909,548	20.7

Totals for first five months



Infrared Scans Reentry

But it'll be a while before I-R systems are used as part of missile warning networks

Success to date of Operation Gaslight, Defense Department's projject to investigate the physics of missile reentry, gives a shot in the arm to hopes for infrared systems that can detect enemy missiles at useful distances.

Gaslight makes use of radiometric and spectrographic techniques to measure the heat generated as Jupiter IRBM's reenter the atmosphere. Judging from the results of Jupiter shots in May and July, infrared technology may provide a valuable adjunct to radar in the forsecable future.

Wide-angle radiometers (picture, left) were designed especially for the Gaslight project by Barnes Engineering, Stamford, Conn. Infrared radiation at reentry is so strong that the instruments oceasionally overload during the halfminute or so that the booster and nose cone are incandescent.

The radiometers are used aboard observer ships down range from Cape Canaveral, some 50 miles from the missile as it hurtles into the atmosphere at 9,000 mph. At this range, they provide more accurate indications of size and shape than radars or optical detectors do.

Infrared experts tell ELECTRONICS that current useful detection range of an infrared mosaic with an efficient optical system is "over a hundred miles." Continued improvement of transducer sensitivity and optical efficiency may double this figure. But useful data for missile detection purposes must start farther out than 300 miles.

With present components, the only answer is to get up above the carth's atmosphere where both masking background radiation and locally generated noise drop to an endurable minimum. This is one reason why the Air Force is seriously considering reconnaissance satellites as part of its missile defense plan.

Typical firing of Jupiter missile from Cape Canaveral on May 18 was picked up 1,500 miles away northeast of Antigua, B.W.I. As it reentered the atmosphere at 9,000 mph, it immediately turned white hot, "perceptibly illuminated" the observer ship, remained visible for 24 seconds, then dived into a large cumulus cloud and lit the cloud up. Brightest of the three parts of the missile (booster, instrument compartment and nose cone assembly, which is designed to protect the nuclear payload) was the booster. At one point the booster appeared to be 1,000 times brighter than the planet Jupiter, across which it flashed.

A special panoramic spectral camera analyzed visible portions of the spectrum emitted by the incandescing bodies, and motion picture cameras recorded their trajectories. The spectral camera was gyro-stabilized to reduce roll and pitch effects, used a cluster of six aerial recon cameras equipped with spectral gratings.

Navy Telecasts From 82,000 ft

RECORDBREAKING manned balloon flight on July 27 was highlighted by the first television broadcast from the inner fringe of space.

Primary purpose of the 34-hour overnight flight was to test the scaled cabin system which will go aloft again in November to take pictures of Mars.

Chief pilot on the flight was Cdr. Malcolm Ross of the Office of Naval Research. His copilot was Lee Lewis, head of balloon flight operations for Winzen Research, Minneapolis, which developed the gondola and the plastic Skyhook balloon. The two men broke the stratosphere endurance record of 32 hours set last fall by USAF balloonist Lt. Col. David Simons.

The balloon flight was one of ONR's Stratolab program (ELEC-TRONICS, p 24, Jan. 10). Besides rehearsing for the November flight and testing the gondola, the flight aimed to observe atmosphere heattransfer characteristics, check genetic effects of stratospheric environment on insect life, study human factors, evaluate reconnaissance techniques with conventional photographic and ty equipment.

For the latter tests, the two balloonists transmitted from their peak altitude of 82,000 ft pictures of the sky, the balloon itself, the cabin's interior and each other.

Telecast used a Dage itv camera and a broadbanded radar transmitter modified for the purpose by Navy's Johnsville (Pa.) laboratories. Picture was transmitted on uhf at 475 mc on a broadbanded quarter-wave stub suspended six feet below the gondola.

Navy and Winzen Research picked up the transmission with a l2-element bedspring array at Fergus Falls, Minn. Tv station KSTP, Minneapolis, put the transmission on the air locally and was "swamped with calls," according to a Navy spokesman, asking for repeat telecasts. The picture, sent through 98 percent of earth's atmosphere and over 150 miles, was "startlingly clear."

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Decoder Shows Plane Number

VISUAL DECODER (abovc) automatically identifies by number or letter specific aircraft scen only as a blip on the controller's ground radar screen.

Through use of a high-speed switching tube and a numerical indicator tube, called Nixie-capable of visually displaying either digits or letters—the innovation would end time-consuming identification of en route and approaching aircraft.

About the size of a portable radio, the unit works in conjunction with conventional radar. Employing a full 360 degrees, search and recognition radar systems establish contact with all aircraft within range and altitude of the systems.

The search radar transmits a pulse which strikes the aircraft and is reflected back to the radar receiver. The pulse's return then is displayed on a ppi scope.

Almost simultaneously, the recognition radar interrogates the airborne transponder which automatically transmits a binary-coded pulse train which has been preassigned to the aircraft. Received by the recognition radar, the pulse train is routed to the decoder.

To enable the controller to accept one binary-coded pulse train while rejecting all others, a "light gun," or electronic-eye, is placed against the face of the ppi scope over the target blip. This opens the circuit to the decoder. Thus, an aircraft can be singled out by the controller, fed to the decoder, and displayed on the numerical indicator tube.

The beam switching tube that unscrambles the transponder signal

WASHINGTON OUTLOOK

THE NATIONAL Aeronautics and Space Administration will become an important government contracting agency in electronics—for both space-related research and procurement of specialized hardware.

The new civilian space agency absorbs the 43-year-old National Advisory Committee on Aeronautics and will open shop within the next two months. Unlike NACA, which never went into electronics work extensively and had extremely limited private contracting activities, the new agency will have money to support a broad-gaged program of electronic research and development.

Among the general research fields mapped out by the new agency's planners: space communication, navigation and guidance; flight simulation; and measurement and observation techniques.

Electronics figures prominently in one specific research project NASA would like to start as quickly as possible: the development of a satellite carrying into orbit an astronomical telescope and auxiliary television equipment, to send close-up views of stars and galaxies back to earth.

According to insiders at NACA, the space agency will not build up a large staff and facilities for electronics and other new fields. Instead, the agency will rely on research and production facilities in private companies and institutions. Military-operated installations with available capacity may also be tapped for civilian space research.

NASA is set up to plan, direct and conduct research and development in the nonmilitary phases of space—that is, basic astronautical research and development of scientific space craft. The Defense Dept., through its Advanced Research Projects Agency (which in turn farms out work to the individual services) will continue work on space projects directly tied to military requirements.

For the current fiscal year, NASA will have a budget of \$289.9 million. Included is a \$117-million fund to be transferred from the Pentagon's ARPA which had started nonmilitary space research pending the creation of the new agency. Examples: satellite tracking and monitoring systems and meterological reporting.

• Success of multiplexing on f-m channels has brought about a slow-but significant-growth in f-m broadcasting. For the first time, the Federal Communications Commission is receiving competing applications for f-m channels in certain locations.

Three years ago, FCC permitted f-m stations to engage in certain nonbroadcast services made possible by multiplexing, services for which they could charge, at the same time they were broadcasting their regular programming to f-m home receivers. Hence, f-m stations are on the rise, with some 100 authorized for nonbroadcast services.

Another possibility: stereophonic broadcasts. FCC approved the test-to end Oct. 31-by WBAI-FM, New York, of a compatible multiplex stereophonic system developed by Crosley. Puzzled by ground loop problems? How to rescue microvolt signals from volts of noise?

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into proper sequence for the indicator tube operates at the rate of one-millionth of a second. Capable of operating at 10 positions, the vacuum tube can be switched from one position to another in a microsecond. The indicator tube lights up within 20 to 50 millionths of a second.

The decoder was developed by Burroughs and is now undergoing final testing at ARDC's Wright Air Development Center.

Big Stereo Push Coming

CHICAGO—LAST MONTH'S convention of the National Association of Music Manufacturers here indicated that stereo is slated for considerable fall promotional activity.

Of 235 exhibitors, more than one-quarter displayed stereo equipment. One trend appears to be the "add-on" package which some manufacturers are turning out. These are packaged stereo record players including either dual-channel amplifiers with a-m/f-m tuners, or single-channel amplifiers with provisions for adding a second plug-in channel later on.

One system displayed features a transistorized low-power two-stage transmitter built into the record player. The signal of one stereo channel is converted to a in and broadcast within the room to a conventional a-m radio for creation of the stereo effect.

A number of magnetic tape systems were displayed.

In general, convention opinion has not yet crystallized on matters of sales information. The relatively short time span during which stereo has been on the market has not been enough to allow manufacturers to determine whether this fall's sales will be heavier in onepackage or building-block systems. No conclusive opinions regarding future sales of stereo conversion kits were voiced.

Meanwhile, in New York, spokesmen for tape recording firms confirmed that they are preparing for production and distribution of fourtrack stereo tapes this fall.

MILITARY ELECTRONICS

• Big boost in electronics activity will result from Republic Aviation's new \$35 million R&D program. Company's new R&D center will work in three areas: high speed aircraft, missiles and space craft. Six R&D laboratories will divide their activities into space environment studies, reentry simulation and aerodynamics, materials development, guidance and control and advanced fluid systems development. One project is the study of the problems involved in sending a man to the far side of the moon and back. Next step after that, Republic's vice president Alexander Kurtveli savs, will be to land a man on the moon.

• Federal Government is now empowered by the new Civil Defense Aid bill to supply the states with up to \$35 million a year for radiological instruments, detection devices, gas detection kits and other defense equipment.

Michigan has already been granted \$1.3 million to finance half the cost of a microwave radio network covering the entire state for use in case of atomic attack. Normal usage of the system will be allowed the highway dept., state police and the department of conservation. Two-way radio communications system for the highway department will also be set up.

• Army expects wide commercial as well as military application for its electronic earphone that shuts out noise. How noise is canceled is actually accomplished by adding more noise. Inside the earphone are two noise canceling units. One picks up the undesired outside sound. This is fed through an inverter which changes its phase 180 degrees. The inverter output then feeds a tiny loudspeaker inside the earphone to cancel the ambient noise that gets into the earphone. Low pitched sounds are trapped by special foam cushioning.

Silence synthesizers resulted from early noise reduction experiments conducted at RCA. Application of the concept to earphones was conceived by the Army.

More Uses for Cat Eye



THREE MOONS of Jupiter, with a partially-obscured fourth moon at right of planet, were photographed (above) by an electronic light amplifier called Cat Eye.

Coupled with a 10-in refracting telescope, the device (shown on table above) enables Wright Air Development Command scientists to take previously impossible daytime photographs of planets and stars.

The device senses and amplifies



the always present—though not always seen by the human eve photons, packets of energy which appear as light. A transducer receives the photons and transforms the information into electrical impulses. These impulses are further amplified before reproduction on a cathode ray tube.

Besides telescopic photographs, this light amplifier has been tested for night time aerial reconnaissance. Although it works on tv-like



The Hughes silicon capacitor is a new kind of device whose full impact upon semiconductor electronics has yet to be determined. Most certainly, the silicon capacitor uncovers an entire realm of possibilities. Desirable equipment not now existing can be made for the first time. And, in every instance, bonus benefits of reduced size and weight plus greater simplicity result.

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principles, the optical amplifier is about 1,000 times more sensitive than a conventional ty camera.

Westinghouse and RCA have both worked on light transducers, according to ARDC.

Waveguides Form <mark>Ship-R</mark>adar Lens

DETAILS of Britain's giant shipborne Type 984 radar-computer system for detecting targets and directing fire were revealed by Fleet Admiral Mountbatten at the summer meeting of the British Institute of Radio Engineers in London.

Though cost of the 984 was not given, Mountbatten did make a comparison of the cost of electronic equipment in ships of the 1938 era and those of today:

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Destroyer \$11,2 Cruiser \$56.0	00 \$336.000-\$420,000 \$1 440.000
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Now in operation on Britian's aircraft carrier H.M.S. Victorious, eye part of the 984 is a revolving stabilized microwave lens weighing 30‡ tons, made up of hundreds of short sections of different length waveguides stacked together like a honeycomb.

The lens, which has an *F* value of 1, sends out a number of narrow pencil beams. One of these is fixed in elevation and provides the long range warning while the others make a coordinated scan of various sections of the target area as the rotating structure revolves.

The radar antenna unit sends impulses to an electronic computer system in the superstructure of the ship. An elaborate display system processes, stores and filters the information so that it can be displayed in an easily intelligible form. Range, height, bearing, speed and course are all provided and presented for easy use by a system of electronic writing. Numbers and symbols required for identifying targets and for other purposes are written electronically on the display tubes themselves. This is achieved by a combination of different waveforms to produce Lissa-

FINANCIAL ROUNDUP

 Acoustica Associates, Mineola, N. Y., acquires General Ultrasonics of Hartford, Conn., through exchange of stock. The Mineola firm gave 25,872 shares of its common stock in payment for all outstanding General Ultrasonics stock. Acoustica stock was recently traded in over-the-counter markets at about \$10. General Ultrasonies will be operated as an Acoustica subsidiary under present management. The combined firm now employs 250 and expects to increase this number to 400 by end of 1958. The merger combines Acoustica's marketing and production facilities in the ultrasonic field with GU's research and development abilities.

• Victoreen Instrument, Cleveland, Ohio, authorizes redemption on August 20 of \$100,000 face amount of company's \$700,000 of outstanding 6-percent convertible debentures, due Nov. 15, 1967. Redemption price is \$105 per debenture plus interest to August 20. Debentures are convertible into common stock at price of \$3.33 per share until Nov. 15, 1962. Stock was recently traded at 4§ on the American Stock Exchange. Debentures were being quoted at 133 bid and 136 asked on the over-the-counter market at press time. Cleveland firm manufactures radiation instruments and electronic components.

• Hupp Corporation, Cleveland, Ohio, sells its clectronics division which produced quartz crystals, cadmium sulfide cells and electronic switching devices at plants located at Forest Park, Ill., and Carlisle, Pa. "Profit potentials did not justify the capital expenditures necessary to expand to the level necessary for profitable operations." explains Don H. Gearhart, president of Hupp. The newly incorporated Piezo Crystal Company of Carlisle, Pa., purchased the Carlisle factory. As this issue went to press, no information was available on disposition of the Forest Park plant.

 Advance Industries, Cambridge, Mass., purchases all outstanding stock of Electrolizing Corp. of Rhode Island and its six subsidiary and affiliated companies for cash and other considerations. The acquired firm and its corporate family is engaged in special process treating of metals and ceramics, and bonding of ceramics to plastics. The missile-aircraft industry is an important customer. Advance Industries manufactures ultrasonic equipment, electronic and electrical automation controls and computer equipment.

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An intercept computer works out for the control officer a presentation of where and when his fighters will intercept or miss their targets if they continue on his present directions, which were also computed for him.

The equipment uses about 10,-000 tubes, 100,000 other components and 250,000 soldered joints, with 275 slip rings providing connections to the revolving structure. Marconi is responsible for the modulator, transmitter and accompanying indicator circuitry.

Audio Will Star At British Show

BRITAIN'S Radio Industry Council will hold its 25th National Radio Show at Earls Court, London, from August 27 to September 6.

Audio equipment will have a hall to itself, with some 45 firms demonstrating their gear in soundproof rooms. Exhibits and demonstrations will include microphones, speakers, amplifiers, phonograph components, disk and tape recorders. Audio gear accounts for 20 percent of Britain's radio exports



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IN BASIC TUBE DESIGN ...



Double triode, type 7244, and single triode, type 7245

Stacked mount in glass bulb offers practical answers to industry's current needs

Sylvania's stacked mount structure is now available to design engineers because of a new glass envelope design that facilitates mass production of the tubes. Complete electrical, mechanical and environmental tests show that the new tube is capable of meeting the highest requirements of today's operational equipment. Its unique stacked construction offers an inherent ruggedness and reliability for superior vacuum tube performance. Actual test data comparing the stacked structure with conventional structures indicates as much as a 2 to 1 improvement in vibrational output at 6 times the G level.

The new stacked tube has already excited tremendous military interest. Eventually an entire line will be available for military and industrial applications.



▲ Cutaway view of the Framelok design

Widespread interest in Sylvania's exclusive Framelok design fosters new type development

Accelerated development of new Framelok tube types is underway at Sylvania as a result of fast-growing acceptance of the revolutionary design shown for the first time at the 1958 IRE Convention.

Design engineers are already analyzing new circuit requirements in terms of the Framelok design. New application possibilities ranging from television to audio are developing rapidly.

Behind this widespread acceptance are these basic reasons why designers prefer the Framelok design over conventional types:

• Greater uniformity of electrical characteristics in tube after tube • Greater stability of electrical characteristics during tube life • Less change in electrical characteristics due to element temperatures at high dissipation levels • Better control of cutoff • Lower knee voltage—more uniform control of knee • Less chance for shorts, microphonism and noise • Better plate-to-screen current ratio • Higher screen grid dissipation • Less arcing.

Send for your free copy of Sylvania's new Framelok Grid Booklet, including a grid sample, for full information on the electrical and mechanical characteristics of the Framelok design





Entertainment receiving tubes are subjected to military-type inspection procedures

These two mounts may look alike to the untrained eye . . . but trained inspection personnel can spot defects in one (left) that could cause future trouble. All Sylvania entertainment tube types must pass this visual mount inspection procedure based on that used for military types. As a result equipment manufacturers enjoy fewer line rejects, lower manufacturing costs.

SYLVANIA SETS THE Gold Brand Standard



Gold Brand Subminiatures undergo 1,000-hour life tests

Life tests on subminiatures are increased to insure maximum reliability

Sylvania increases the life assurance on its premium subminiature tube line by increasing its life test program from 500 to 1,000 hours. The increase establishes additional positive proof of the high reliability and excellent performance of the subminiature tube line.



Gold Brand types meet rigid new specifications

Sylvania writes new Gold Brand Specs for commercial and industrial applications

To meet your needs for reliable tubes in commercial and industrial equipment, Sylvania has written new specifications which tailor military standards to commercial, and industrial requirements. Some of the typical controls specified for Gold Brand tubes include Multiple

Туре	Description
407 A	Medium-mu double triode (9-pin miniature)
408A	Sharp-cutoff pentode (7-pin miniature)
6AU6WA	Sharp-cutoff pentode (7-pin miniature)
6X4WA	Double diode (7-pin miniature)
5654	Sharp-cutoff pentode (7-pin miniature)
5670	Medium-mu double triode (9-pin miniature)

Life Tests ranging from 500 to 1,000 hours, Impact Shock Tests of up to 500 G, Fatigue Tests, Vibration Tests, Glass Strain Tests and Variable Control Tests.

The following are the 12 Gold Brand types on which full specifications are available:

Туре	Description
5725	Dual-control pentode (7-pin miniature)
5726	Double diode (7-pin miniature)
5749	Semi-remote cutoff pentode (7-pin miniature)
5751	High-mu double triode (9-pin miniature)
5814A	Medium-mu double triode (9-pin miniature)
6005	Beam Pentode (7-pin miniature)



Gold Brand types meet missile requirements

Gold Brand Premium Guided Missile types withstand severe durability tests

Every tube type in Sylvania's Gold Brand Guided Missile line meets environmental testing more severe than that required in many advanced military specs. Each type is subjected to severe vibrational fatigue tests at sweep frequencies from 30 cps to 3000 cps at 10 G's for 6 hours in several standard positions.

All Gold Brand Sylvania subminiature tubes undergo the White Noise Test. The tubes are subjected to a white noise vibrational spectrum covering the frequency band of 100 to 5000 cps., the rms G-level is 2-3 G's per octave with peak G-level of 15 G's. The tubes are tested for both rms and peak vibrational output and limits are established on each.

Туре										Description
6946			•							Medium-Mu Triode
6947										Medium-Mu Double Triode
6948										High-Mu Double Triode
6788			•					•		Sharp cutoff audio-frequency pentode
6943										Sharp cutoff RF Pentode
6944			•	•			•		•	Semi-Remote cutoff RF Pentode
6945	•	•	•		•	•	•		•	Audio-Frequency Beom Pentode

Gold Brand subminiature Type 6814 meets rugged requirements of airborne computers

Prime example of a Gold Brand subminiature ideally suited for airborne computer use is type Type 6814 for 6814. Fully proven in current missile computers



operational equipments the tube features controlled sharp cutoff and zero bias plate current for good switching action. It exhibits exceptional freedom from development of cathode interface throughout life.

The 100% Production DC shorts test as well as a standard AC shorts test on type 6814 minimizes the possibility of flicker shortsassuring greater reliability in this tube's many applications, particularly in switching and triggering circuits. In addition, it withstands a minimum 1000-hour life test.

You can get the complete engineering story on Sylvania's Gold Brand Lines in the new 33-page Gold Brand booklet.

IN NEW TUBE

Five new types are added to the receiving tube line

Type 12DV8 — Designed for 12-volt auto radios, this 9-pin miniature double-diode, space charge grid tetrode can be used as a combined detector, AVC rectifier and transistor driver. The tetrode section has the advantage of low R_p for better transistor matching.

Type 12EG6—This tube is designed primarily for use in 12-volt auto radios as an RF amplifier. It is a 7-pin miniature dual control Heptode with a unipotential cathode. AVC voltage can be applied to two control grids reducing back biasing of the AVC line with large RF signals.

Type 12DZ6—This miniature pentode has a remote cutoff to give a Gm of 50 umhos at a bias of 10 to 12 volts for improved AGC characteristics in hybrid radio receivers. The plate resistance of 15,000 ohms, coupled with a Gm of 3600 umhos, insures high performance in weak signal areas.

Type 12DU7—This 9-pin miniature double diode-tetrode can be used as a transistor driver in addition to functioning as a detector and AVC rectifier in hybrid auto receivers. In this multipurpose, low-cost tube, power output distortion is controlled to a maximum of 5%.

Type 12DV7—A double diode-triode for use in 12-volt hybrid auto radios. With a 12-volt plate supply the triode features a plate current of 750 ua, a mu of 15 and a Gm of 1000 umhos. The diodes feature a separate cathode connection for maximum flexibility in detector and AVC circuits.

New receiving tube types





New five-inch experimental evaporated phosphor CRT

IN NEW TRANSPARENT PHOSPHOR TUBES...

Experimental five-inch evaporated phosphor CRTs offered for applications research and development

Steady progress is being made in the development of evaporated (transparent)phosphor cathode-ray tubes at Sylvania. Now 5-inch and other small tubes are being produced and are available for experimental purposes.

High industry interest in evaporated (transparent) phosphor tubes is centered around the major benefits the tubes offer over conventional CRT s. Among the more important characteristics are:

• Higher resolution—Transparent screens are capable of higher resolution than conventional settled screens because the phosphor crystals are smaller by many orders of magnitude. Video displays with sharper definition are possible.

• Improved contrast in high ambient light conditions—Transparent phosphors permit outside light to pass through the "screen" cutting reflection to a minimum. This characteristic is highly important where scopes must operate in high ambient light.

• Minimum Screen Noise—Because

evaporated phosphor crystals are much smaller than those in conventional coatings, screen noise, the interplay of light reflections on the crystal faces, is reduced. The result is sharpest possible definition.

• More Uniform Light Output—The phosphor coating on evaporated screen CRTs is some 10 times as thin as standard coatings. This smooth screen coating contributes to far greater uniformity in light output.

• Less Screen Burn—Transparent phosphor tubes offer better resistance to screen burning because the crystals are closer to the glass faceplate. This allows better heat dissipation and cooler operation.

Since all of these advantages are not available in a single evaporated phosphor tube design, it is necessary to specify which characteristics are most important for the intended application. Send full information on your particular application when you request experimental samples. Write to Sylvania direct or call your Sylvania representative.



In Industrial Television ...

Special CRT is specifically designed for industrial TV monitor use

Now, higher fidelity in industrial television is possible with new cathode-ray tube, type 8FP4. It gives added definition and resolution to industrial television performance.

Type 8FP4 is an 8'' rectangular allglass, magnetic focusing tube with an ion trap and 90° magnetic deflection.

New test picture tube speeds receiver production line testing

A new 8" 110° test picture tube, type 8YP4, is specifically designed for television receiver and picture tube testing. Its small size, light weight and convenient shape make it the ideal production line test tube.

The 8YP4 is equipped with a conventional base and a convenient adaptor for conversion to a rigid pin base. It has built-in automatic electrostatic self-focusing making external focus connections or adjustments unnecessary. It employs a 6.3 volt, 600 ma heater that will also operate in 450 ma series heater strings.



New ITV monitor

Type 24AQP4 with

In Industrial and Military C-R Tubes



New high-precision scope tubes, types 5ADP, 5ABP, and 5AQP, were developed for photography, radar and specialized uses

Sylvania again expands its line of special-purpose industrial and military cathode-ray tubes with a series of high-precision types designed for specialized

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New CRT type 5ADP2

uses. These tubes incorporate a high-precision electron gun made to ultra-fine tolerances. Sharp clean scope presentations result for high-precision photography.

The new tubes, types 5ADP, 5ABP, and 5AQP, are available in screen phosphors ranging from P1 to P11.

In Television Picture Tubes...

Sylvania combines the advantages of 110° deflection and 450 ma heater in three new picture tubes

Sylvania, trend setter in electron-tube design, has developed new 110° picture tubes incorporating the 450 ma 6.3 volt heater. The new tubes, types 17CTP4, 21DHP4 and 24AQP4, combine the space savings of 110° tubes with the power and cost advantages of 450 ma heaters. The low power heater not only reduces heat with total set power sav-



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New stercophonic records and a studio for stercophonic tape recording will be shown.

There will be 160 exhibitors in all, of which 36 are radio and tv setmakers. More of the following will be in evidence this year: portable and transportable tv receivers; tv sets equipped to receive vhf/f-m sound broadcasting; receivers using transistors and printed circuits. Some emphasis will be given to export models.

Manufacturers of tubes, components, test and measuring gear are exhibiting, and the Royal Navy, Royal Air Force and the General Post Office will show some of their applications of electronics.

Wescon Offers Timely Panels

LOS ANGELES—Wescon wants to learn your viewpoint next week. With increased emphasis on panel discussions, greater audience participation is solicited in technical sessions at the Ambassador Hotel here. The convention starts Tuesday, ends Friday.

Invited panelists for reliability sessions include civilian experts on Thor and Atlas, and a military representative from ARDC. Office of Assistant Secretary of Defense is furnishing the moderator and discussion will center around contract implications of reliability requirements for military electronics.

Panelists will point out why reliability must encompass far more than just manufacturing phase. They'll discuss significance of recently rewritten military spees, and the type of system companies need to cope with new requirements.

Cosponsored by IRE medical electronics, and telemetering and remote control professional groups, another panel will explore measurement problems created by man's impending conquest of space.

To date, the medical profession and allied biophysical and physiological scientists have solved most of their own measurement problems. Now, they'll have to rely largely on telemetering equipment and personnel. Existing gear is not adequate for all jobs, and panelists hope that a delineation of problems will result in development of necessary equipments and techniques.

Radio to Run Traffic in N. Y.

TRAFFIC CONTROL authorities in New York recently announced a plan which may mean expenditures as high as \$200,000 a year solely for radio equipment to control traffic signal lights. The plan calls for an installation program that will continue indefinitely until all major thoroughfares in greater New York are provided with radio control equipment.

First phase expenditure of \$190,-000 is now before the city board of estimate for approval. Sum would be used for regulating a six-mile portion of a major roadway in the Queens County section of the city. Completion of the installation is expected by next summer.

Here's how the system will work: A transmitter will be constructed in each of the five boroughs. The stations will initiate signals governing operation of the traffic lights in accordance with 18 "programs" prepared to cover a variety of traffic situations. These will be derived from prepared punch cards and broadcast in the 952 to 960-me band.

Each traffic light in the system will contain a receiver which will respond to signals intended for it. New York's director of intersection control told ELECTRONICS this will probably be done by a three-pulse system. The first two pulses will govern geographic location by street and intersection. The third pulse will cause the light to display the required signal.

Economics possible with the radio control system make traffic experts feel there's hope of approval for expenditures. Present networks to control traffic lights, which average about 10 to the mile, cost New York about \$50,000 a mile. Radio system costs about \$15,000 a mile.

MEETINGS AHEAD

- Aug. 19-22: Western Electronic Show and Convention, WESCON. IRE, WCEMA, Pan Pacific Auditorium, Ambassador Hotel, L. A.
- Aug. 19-22: Pacific General Meeting, AIEE, Senator Hotel, Sacramento, Calif.
- Aug. 26-Sept. 6: British National Radio Show, Radio Industry Council, Earls Court, London.
- Sept. 9-11: Applied Meterorology Engineering, Second National Conf., Univ. of Mich., Ann Arbor.
- Sept. 10-12: Tube Techniques, Fourth National Conf., Advisory Group on Electron Tubes, OSD, Western Union Auditorium, N. Y. C.
- Sept. 12-13: Communications Conf., IRE, Sheraton Montrose Hotel, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
- Sept. 15-19: Thirteenth Annual Instrument-Auditorium Conf. and Exhibit, ISA. Philadelphia Convention Hall, Pa.
- Sept. 18-19: National Assoc. of Broadcasters, Fall Conf., Buena Vista Hotel, Biloxi, Miss.
- Sept. 22-24: National Symposium on Telemetering, Americana Hotel, Miami Beach, and Patrick Air Force Base (Sept. 25).
- Sept. 24-25: Industrial Electronics, Seventh Annual Conf., IRE, AIEE, Rackham Memorial, Detroit, Mich.
- Sept. 29-Oct. 3: Audio Engineering Society, 10th Annual Conv., Hotel New Yorker, N. Y. C.
- Oct. 1-2: Radio-Interference Reduction, U. S. Army Signal Research & Devel. Labs., IRE, Armour Research Foundation, Chicago, Ill.
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- Oct. 8-10: IRE Canadian Convention and Exposition, Electronics and Nucleonics, Exhibition Park, Toronto, Canada
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ELECTRICAL DATA

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Frequency Range	49kmc—59kmc
Anode Voltage	. 1000-3000 volts
Power Cutput	5mw average
Beam Current	
Magnetic Field	0 gauss (minimum)
Heater Voltage	6.3±10%
MECHANICAL DATA	
Output Flange Special a	adapter to RG-98/U
Maximum Diameter	
Length	
Mounting Position	Any
Weight	<mark>5 oz.</mark> *
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GB-28E	G-10	70,000	0.019	65	75,000	130	150
GB-28EFR (Elame-Retardant Epoxy)	G-10	68,000	0.010	65	100,000	180	150
GB-28M	G-5	50,000	0.014	50	100	185	135
GB-261D (Phenolic)	G-1 and G-2	22,000	0.020	55	10,000	5	150
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Designers and manufacturers of aircraft and missiles, as well as the military, have long recognized the need for a connector altitude-moisture test which would accurately simulate actual performance conditions. Such a test has been developed by manufacturers and the military and applied as standard procedure on the 67 Series **MINNIE** connectors in the AMPHENOL Laboratories. It consists of the following:

A plastic tank is filled with distilled water and salt added to obtain a solution of 1.050 specific gravity. Marker dye is added for tracing leakage paths. The connectors are given a dry insulation resistance (IR) reading with a 500 volt megohm bridge. All coupling rings are then securely hand-tightened and grommet clamps rechecked for tightness. The connectors are then completely submerged in the salt solution so that all cable bundle ends are out of the solution. The ends of the cable bundle from one side of each connector are taped. The tank and connectors are placed in an altitude chamber and another IR reading is made.

The pressure inside the chamber is then reduced to 0.82 inch of mercury (80,000 feet altitude) and held for one minute, then increased to approximately 2 inches of mercury (65,000 feet altitude). After maintaining 2 inches of mercury for ½ hour, the chamber is returned to room ambient pressure for ½ hour. This is considered one complete cycle. Connectors are subjected to a total of 10 cycles.

At the conclusion of the tenth cycle, connectors remain completely submerged in the salt solution container at room-temperature and pressure for an over-week-end soak (65 hours). Final insulation resistance reading is then taken. Immediately after last IR measurement, specific gravity of salt solution is taken.

The "E"-type construction of AMPHENOL 67 Series MINNIE connectors was originally designed to meet the moisture resistance requirements of MIL-C-5015C, Paragraph 4.5.21. Since the development of the new and far more stringent altitude-moisture test, MINNIE's construction design has been modified and all AMPHENOL MINNIE "E"-type connectors pass this test.



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Following the altitude-moisture resistance test, insulation resistance measurements (in megohms) on production **MINNIE** "E" connectors were as follows:

	Insulation Resistance			
Cycle	Contact to Contact	Contact to Shell		
0 (Initial)	6000	7000		
1	7500	4000		
2	5500	3200		
3	5500	3000		
4 (overnight 17 hour soak)	3000	1100		
5	2800	1100		
6	3000	1100		
7	3000	1100		
8	3000	1100		
9	3000	1050		
10	3000	1050		
11 (overnight 17 hour soak)	2800	1000		
12 (weekend 65 hour soak)	3000	1050		

AMPHENOL MINNIE "E" connectors not only meet but surpass the requirements of this tough new test. 100 megohms is the minimum insulation resistance required by MIL-C-5015C after moisture; MINNIE's minimum insulation resistance after immersion and altitude cycling is 1000 megohms.

67 Series MINNIE "E" Connectors

DESCRIPTION Miniature, multi-contact electrical connectors of the quick-disconnect bayonet lock type. Available as Plugs, Cable and Panel Receptacles, and Single Hole Mounting Receptacles. Shell design classes include:

> CLASS E-Environmentally resistantindividual wire seal CLASS P-For potting CLASS H-Hermetically sealed CLASS J-For jacketed cable CLASS C-Standard cable clamp

There are five shell sizes, and 17 insert arrangementsranging from 3 contacts in the smallest to 48 contacts in the largest.

PART NUMBERING Descriptive part numbering of MINNIE connectors follows that used with AN (MS) connectors.

NOMINAL CURRENT RATING #20 contact is rated at 7.5 amperes and #16 contact at 17.0 amperes.

OPERATING TEMPERATURE -67° F. $(-55^{\circ}$ C.) to $+257^{\circ}$ F. $(+125^{\circ}$ C.).



Both #16 and #20 socket (female) contacts of AMPHENOL MINNIE connectors are resistant to test prod damage. The entering end of the socket has a one-piece hood that excludes the entrance of a pin 0.005" larger than the diameter of the mating pin. AMPHENOL Specification 340-43-2108, paragraph 4.5.14, gives this test to be used to determine resistance to test prod damage:

"A test prod of hardened steel having a diameter equal to a nominal mating pin shall be inserted into each socket contact to (a) .200 inch; (b) .255 inch; and (c) .310 inch depth. At each of these depths, measured from the face of the insert, a bending moment of 2 inch lbs. ± 10 percent shall be applied to the 16 size contact prod and a bending moment of 0.8 inch lbs. ± 10 percent shall be applied to the 20 size contact prod about the inserted ends of the prod. The connector shall be rotated in one direction through 360 degrees in order that a uniform force is applied to the inside surface of the socket contact. This test shall be performed with the socket contacts in the inserts and the contacts locked, if necessary, to prevent rotation in the inserts during the test."

After withdrawal of the fixture at the completion of the above precedure, the force needed to engage or separate the socket contact shall not exceed the following values:

Contact	Max. Force Ounces	Min. Force Ounces
#20	12	2
∦16	26	3

FEATURES OF AMPHENOL MINNIE CONNECTORS

- Environmentally sealed with unitized back end grommet. (Also available with provision for potting.) Grommet seal (type "E") meets altitude-moisture resistance requirements. Either grommet seal or potted seal meets moisture resistance requirements of MIL-C-5015C, Paragraph 4.5.21.
- (1) Spring-loaded coupling ring provides a positive locking action in the bayonet slot, and a constant compensating force which eliminates the effects of resilient face seal compression set.
- (1) Stainless steel bayonet slots and pins reduce wear and frictional characteristics and eliminate wear encountered with "hard-coat" and similar surface treatments of softer base metals. The three pin bayonet coupling minimizes the rocking action of the mated plug and receptacle.
- Flattened incline angle of bayonet slots reduces mating force requirement.
- (5) Hooded contacts resist test prod damage as defined in Paragraph 4.5.14 of AMPHENOL Specification 340-43-2108.
- (6) Unitized grommet seal; clamp and grommet form a single unit for ease of assembly and maintenance.
- Face seal gasket with individual barriers to isolate each contact.
- Hard insert dielectric (plus resilient face seal) positively retains contacts with no possibility of contacts being pushed out of the insert.
- () A visual full engagement indicator is included in the design to insure the user that he has fully engaged the connectors. The indicator is an orange line around the receptacle shell.
- Insulation resistance of "E" type following altitudemoisture resistance test is a minimum 1000 megohms. MIL-C-5015C minimum following type "E" test is 100 megohms.
- When using mated sealed connectors, no derating for altitude is necessary at 70,000 feet.
- Test voltage 1,500 volts RMS 70,000 feet on sealed connectors.
- Vibration per Method 204 of MIL-Std-202A. 10 to 2,000 cps at 20 g's.
- Temperature cycling range per MIL-C-5015C, Paragraph 4.5.3 increased to 257°F. maximum and -67°F. minimum.

	Rating	Mechanical Spacing	Flashover V-Rms	Test V-Rms	Re <mark>commended</mark> Working Voltage	
		(Nominal)			DC	AC
Sea level (unsealed)	A	.034	2,000	1,500	700	500
	В	.046	2,300	1,800	840	600
Sea level (sealed)	A	.034	2,500	2,000	700	500
	В.	.046	3,000	2,500	840	600
70,000 ft. (unsealed)	A	.034	500	375	175	125
	В	.046	600	450	210	250
70,000 ft. (sealed)	A	.034	2,500	1,500	700	500
	В	.046	3,000	1,800	840	600

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As air motor spins high-explosive charge in magnetic field, a sensitive iron probe, rigidly mounted in the plane of the barrier, picks up variations in the flux pattern and determines the concentricity of an encapsulated piece of steel which plays a key role in controlling detonation pattern of explosive

Magnetic Gage Locates Encased Metal Parts

Magnetic-field pickup accurately locates the exact position of a ferromagnetic barrier encapsulated in a shaped-charge container. Principle is used to determine whether or not encased metal piece is off center, tilted or both. Highexplosive charge containing barrier is used in oil-well blasting

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CCURATELY LOCATING the exact position of a ferromagnetic object, solidly embedded in a casing, is accomplished by spinning the casing in a magnetic field and picking up small variations in the flux pattern of the encapsulated metal. Using this principle, it is possible to determine whether such an encased object is in its proper position, is off center, tilted or both.

The magnetic concentricity gage was developed to determine the

exact location of a piece of steel which is encapsulated in a highexplosive charge used for oil-well blasting. In this application, it is essential to check the exact placement of the steel piece after the explosive charge has been loaded, for this curved steel barrier plays a key role in controlling the magnitude and direction of the high-velocity jet of metal discharged when the charge is detonated.

the gage. The meter, amplifier, and power supply are located in a special box attached to the outside of a building.

The shaped charge is held against the brass drive spindle by a brass idler shaft. Equally spaced numbers on the periphery of an aluminum indexing wheel, fastened to the brass idler shaft, are used with a flashtube circuit to indicate the direction of maximum eccen-A photo shows the main unit of tricity of the barrier. When the



FIG. 1—Diagram clarifies principle involved in the detection of small variations in the flux pattern caused by spinning ferromagnetic object (black) in a magnetic field. The amount of eccentricity is exaggerated to emphasize the variation in flux lines

upper spindle engages the charge, an air motor is started and the upper end of the drive spindle, pressing against the copper cavity liner in the shaped charge causes it to rotate.

The spinning shaped charge, exposed to a magnetic field, produces a flux pattern. As the steel barrier rotates, possibly tilted or off center, flux variations induce a voltage in a coil that is wound around an iron probe and placed in the plane of the barrier and as close to it as practical. Figure 1 shows the principle. The signal voltage is amplified and not only gives a measure of the amount of eccentricity but also fires a flashtube once each revolution to give an indication of the position of maximum eccentricity.

The sensitive pickup coil probe consists of 22,000 turns of No. 36 enameled wire wound on a bobbin. The core is made from a 32-in. stack of 0.014-in. silicon iron laminations 13-in. wide by 33-in. long. The 1-in. probe point width was achieved by shearing the ends of the laminations to the desired shape before they were inserted into the coil bobbin. The whole assembly is vacuum-varnished for rigidity. A rigid mounting is fabricated from hardwood pieces and heavy aluminum pillars, so that relative motion between pickup probe, rotating steel barrier and magnetic field is due only to the eccentricity of the barrier. A permanent magnet, made from two pole-pieces of a magnetron magnet, provides the magnetic field.

Measurements of the voltage, generated in the pickup coil by test pieces of known eccentricity, showed that the coil voltage was directly proportional to both the barrier offset and the barrier rotational speed. At 30 rps, approximately 6 millivolts per thousandthin. offset was generated in the coil. This voltage is read on a vacuumtube voltmeter.

The flashtube trigger circuit, Fig. 2, uses a 2D21 thyratron switch to discharge a capacitor across the primary of a high-voltage pulse transformer whenever the thyratron is fired. The high-voltage pulse from the pulse transformer is applied to the trigger electrode of the flash-tube. The R-C time constant of the charging resistor and energy storage capacitor was chosen to fire the 2D21 reliably to a maximum rate of 60 times a second.

A three-stage amplifier with clipper circuits meets the requirements of the flashtube trigger and satisfies the desired accuracy of position-indication. The phase shift through the amplifier is constant, within a few degrees, over 10 to 100 cps, the range of input frequencies used.

The amplifier output voltages and, therefore, the eccentricity magnitude reading are independent of variations in the barrier rotational speed over a reasonably wide range such as 10 to 100 rps.

A plot of pickup coil voltage measurements versus the barrier rotational speed indicated that the coil voltage increased 6 db for each octave increase in rotational speed. The amplifier-clipper circuit was designed so that output voltage decreases 6 db per octave from 5 to 120 cps. Thus the amplifier output voltage reading for a barrier of given offset remains constant regardless of variations in the airmotor speed.

The amplifier provides output voltage as a linear function of input signal voltage from 0 to 70 millivolts rms. This results in straight-line calibration graphs that are easy to read and interpret.



FIG. 2—Flashtube trigger circuit uses a thyratron switch to discharge a capacitor across high-voltage pulse transformer primary

To reduce noise pickup or generation in the input stage, a lownoise dual triode, 12AY7, is used for the first two stages with a special shock resistant tube socket. Also a tube shield with an NELtype insert reduces the tube operating temperature. The shield is grounded to the chassis. The input stage uses deposited-carbon resistors and is well shielded. Desired frequency response is obtained by a negative feedback system wherein the voltage developed across the cathode resistor of the third amplifier stage is coupled back to the cathode of the first amplifier. As the feedback capacitor is located in a low-voltage low-impedance path, its voltage rating can be relatively low and the stray capacitance is eliminated.

Spurious firing due to bumping or jarring the gage is eliminated by incorporating a 6BN6 gatedbeam tube controlled by an integrating network with a long time constant. A portion of the output voltage from the linear amplifier is amplified in the 6C4 voltage amplifier, rectified and turns on the gated-amplifier after a suitable signal persists for several seconds.

The feedback amplifier output voltage goes directly to the vacuum-tube voltmeter where the rms voltage reading is used—in conjunction with a set of graphs— to indicate magnitude of barrier ec-



FIG. 3—Offset of encapsulated metal barrier is plotted against amplifier output. Offset readings, plotted on three lines, enhance instrument accuracy



EXPLOSION OF A BARRIER CHARGE

Diagram shows what happens when a high-explosive barrier charge is detonated and illustrates the key role played by the curved steel barrier in shaping the direction and magnitude of the high-velocity jet of metal which perforates the metal casing, cement and formation, permitting the oil to enter the well.

This charge contains 19 grams of high explosive (Cyclonite) in a case made of Zamek 5 (94 percent zinc) with a barrier of mild steel centered as accurately as possible.

In manufacturing the shaped charge, a portion of the high explosive is first pressed into place with the open end of the case facing upward. The concave steel barrier is centered in the charge and the remaining portion of the high explosive is pressed into place and capped by a copper liner. Thus it becomes impossible to visually check whether the barrier has remained centered.

It is possible to locate placement of the encapsulated metal with an overall accuracy of approximately 0.001 in. in magnitude of eccentricity and plus or minus fifteen degrees in position of maximum eccentricity.

centricity, see Fig. 3. This same output voltage is clipped and fed into the 6BN6 gated-amplifier. Clipping prevents overdriving the 6BN6, and assists in the squaring process that follows. Output of the 6BN6 is clipped by a 6AL5 and fed into a high-mu triode whose output is a square wave of fast rise time relative to the period of the wave. The rise time is approximately 40 μ sec.

The negative portion of the square wave is clipped off and the positive excursion limited to about 30 v by another 6AL5. The resulting waveform is then differentiated and triggers the 2D21 thyratron.

The small box mounted on top of the steel box to the left of the gage frame in the photo contains a switch and a three-position attenuator. The switch is normally connected to the connector marked MONITOR on the main chassis and turns off the flashtube portion of the circuit by grounding the grid of the high-mu triode amplifier. This increases flashtube life by minimizing unnecessary firing. The three-position attenuator reduces the wide range of coil voltages (5 to 700 millivolts) to the range that falls within the input capabilities of the linear amplifier. Thus accuracy of the instrument is enhanced by spreading the total range of barrier offset readings (0.001 to 0.125 in.) over three graphs instead of one, as shown in Fig. 3.

Bias control in the cathode circuit of the 6BN6, marked SYM-METRY, adusts the symmetry of the two halves of the square wave output from the 6BN6. Proper setting of the SYMMETRY control determines the accuracy of the indication of position of maximum eccentricity. To set this control, a signal of approximately 40 to 50 millivolts rms is fed into the feedback amplifier input from a signal generator. A cro connected to MONITOR displays the square-wave output. Also, the symmetry control is set to the position that makes each half of the square wave cover an equal time interval.

The shaped charge and gage were developed in a research effort conducted for Jet Research Center, Inc., Arlington, Texas.

Line Current Controls

Low-power oscillator provides both unmodulated and 60-cps modulated signals for carrier-current transmission to control receiver in ty set. Unmodulated carrier of required duration controls channel selection while modulated carrier controls sound level. System operates on one of four nonadjacent frequencies to avoid interaction between nearby systems

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U SE OF CARRIER CURRENT enables remote control of channel selection and sound level in tv receivers. The control system to be described comprises a small handheld low-powered transmitter and a companion receiving unit mounted adjacent to the tuner in the set.

Transmitter

The complete remote-control transmitter is shown in Fig. 1. A straightforward Hartley oscillator circuit is used.

An unmodulated carrier of the required duration is used for channel selection while 60-cps modulation of that carrier is used for sound control. Modulation is readily accomplished by switching the oscillator plate circuit from the dc side of the rectifier to the a-c. The self-indicating control switch provides nonambiguous operation; movement of the switch from center is momentary in the direction for channel selection, while a latching position for the sound function is provided when moving the lever in the other direction.

Interference between neighboring transmitters and receivers is eliminated through the use of four individual frequencies—52.5, 57.5, 67.5 and 73.5 kc. Either of two nonadjacent carrier frequencies may be selected by an easily accessible switch. The remaining two frequencies require repositioning of the coil core.

By making the switchable carrier frequencies nonadjacent, there is

no possibility of interaction between two units. Coupling to the power line is by a nonresonant lowimpedance secondary, with C_1 acting as a blocking capacitor. Autotransformer T_1 supplies filament power and the selenium rectifier in a half-wave circuit supplies d-c, filtered by C_2 for the unmodulated signal.

Requirements of the FCC regarding radiation above 450 kc have been fulfilled by controlling the harmonic output of the transmitter by four methods. Power output has been limited to 12 mw in the unmodulated case, a low-pass filter comprising R_1 and C_3 is used. Resistor R_1 also limits the power output and by carefully choosing the feedback ratio by the position of the tap on the coil power is also limited.

Receiver

The receiver shown in Fig. 2 can be considered as two separate receivers, one capable of detecting an unmodulated carrier while remaining insensitive to a modulated one, the other detecting both modu-



FIG. 1—Complete remote-control carriercurrent transmitter

lated and unmodulated carriers. The section sensitive only to an unmodulated carrier energizes a relay for channel selection, while the section sensitive to both signals energizes the sound muting relay. By making the sound muting section sensitive to both signals, the audio level is automatically lowered simultaneously with channel selection, thus avoiding bursts of sound.

Several characteristics of the receiver are functions of its source impedance. Though the impedance of the power line at a given frequency may be represented by a single resistance and reactance, this value is difficult to determine. Furthermore, the value continually changes as equipment and appliances are switched on or off.

For a given line under average conditions, it is convenient to speak of the equivalent line impedance, that single resistance value which when shunted across the output of the transmitter reduces the output voltage to the same value as does the a-c line. Values from 10 to 50 ohms have been measured, although it is possible that it may be as high as 200 ohms. Since this variation causes a corresponding change of the Q of the receiver tuned circuit which in turn results in wide variations in receiver selectivity, it is essential that the receiver always see the lowest source impedance. The tv receiver with which this system is used employs a $0.15 - \mu f$ * Now with Electronics Div., Baltimore,
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FIG. 2—One part of receiver detects only unmodulated carrier while other part detects both modulated and unmodulated signals

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FIG. 3—Receiver selectivity as a function of line impedance

line bypass capacitor to reduce sweep harmonic radiation. This holds the line impedance at the a-c terminals of the receiver fairly constant at 10 ohms regardless of actual impedance variations.

Circuit Features

The input of the remote-control receiver has a single series-tuned circuit connected across the a-c line. The impedance of this circuit appears as 41 ohms. This is a deliberate mismatch to the 10-ohm line to secure the desired selectivity. The effect of controlled line impedance on the selectivity of the receiver is shown in Fig. 3.

Four individually-tuned frequencies are selectable by switching additional capacitors across that for the highest frequency. To achieve the desired accuracy, two-percent mica tuning capacitors are used.

A threshold control at the input of the first r-f amplifier allows the receiver sensitivity to be adjusted to meet individual requirements. Due to Miller effect, the input of the first stage is not extremely high in impedance and has considerable capacitance. Resistor R_1 (Fig. 2) prevents a change of Q and detuning of the resonant circuit with variation in the threshold control. The second function of this resistor is to clip noise pulses appearing with the signal.

For the channel-switching function, V_1 is a two-stage carrierfrequency amplifier, the second stage also acting as a limiter. The annodulated carrier in passing through peak rectifier V_{2A} produces a positive d-c voltage. Channelrelay stage V_{2B} is biased near cutoff. The output of V_{2A} is directly coupled to the grid of V_{2B} , increasing the plate current to operate the relay. The modulated carrier used for sound control is similarly rectified by V_{2A} and increases the plate current of V_{2B} .

Because the modulated carrier has a duty cycle of only 35 percent and the maximum signal from the plate of V_{ux} is limited, it is never sufficient to operate the channel relay. Thus there is no undesirable cross-function operation. Capacitor C_1 across the channel relay coil removes the 60-cps component which would otherwise appear and cause buzzing of the relay for sound muting operation.

Muting

For muting control, V_{10} acts as a grid-leak detector rectifying the modulated carrier and providing amplification at 60 cps. This signal is direct-coupled through a lowpass filter to the grid of V_{34} which provides additional 60-cps amplification to effect the large grid swing required by sound-relay stage V_{aB} . This stage is biased near cutoff, as is channel-relay stage Van. Its plate current increases on the average by the large 60-cps signal on its grid. Resistor R_{a} reduces the tendency to clamp and thus bias the grid negatively. Capacitor C_2 across the relay removes the 60-cps component.

With no input signal the back contact of the channel relay is closed, grounding the grid return R_a of sound-relay stage V_{att} . Whenever the channel relay operates, a positive d-c voltage is applied to the grid of V_{att} to close the sound relay.

Noise Considerations

It is imperative that the receiver be insensitive to noise, since both regular and random noises exist on the line at all times. Regular noise. resulting principally from fluorescent lighting, may measure 10 millivolts p-p. Random noise may be of the order of 500 millivolts p-p. Since the receiver sensitivity is approximately 30 millivolts, some means of discriminating against noise is necessary to prevent the relays from responding and causing dropouts in the sound or undesired switching of channels.

Excellent noise immunity results from clipping noise pulses at the input of the first stage and using short time constants between subsequent stages. The limiting action of the second stage also contributes to noise immunity. The resulting signal-to-noise ratio is approximately 30 db.

The use of carrier current has solved several problems. The availability of a-c voltage makes it possible to incorporate a power supply in the transmitter. The receiver unit is also self-powered. The tuner in the tv receiver is programmed mechanically to stop only at the channels actually transmitting.

Electronic Control Times

Increased reliability and reduction of down time in production result when thyratrons are used in place of relays for controlling high-speed resistance welding. Typical electronic control described in this article provides fail-safe operation. reduces transients by correct adjustment of the ignitron firing angle, and affords accurate repetition and calibration of the timing cycle

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H IGH-SPEED resistance welding requires four exact timing functions. The period necessary to bring the electrodes together and build up pressure is called squeeze time. This begins when a solenoid is energized to allow air to enter a cylinder and force the electrodes together. When sufficient pressure is built up, weld time begins, and current flows through the weld

transformer. In cases of warping metal or poor jigging, hold time is used to keep the electrodes together while the molten metal is congealing. The electrodes then open, and in fast-repeat operation, the period required to move them to a new location is called off time.

If a relay is used for controlling the weld current flow, there will be an inrush of about 30 amp and the relay will tend to bounce several times before establishing a firm contact, each bounce causing severe transient strain across the solenoid valve coil. The combination of opening and closing the valve in highspeed operations may account for several million transients each day.

The present trend is to use electron tubes for control functions in resistance welders. Maintenance on



FIG. 1—Schematic of a typical control for a high-speed resistance welding gun. Fuses and overload protection circuits are not shown. This circuit affords either single-shot operation or continuous recyc ing of the timing functions

High-Speed Welding Cycle



Protracted delays caused by maintenance problems in any of the high-speed resistance welding stations in a production line, such as in this automotive plant, can be costly. All-electronic controls have reduced down time by as much as 90 percent because of their innate reliability. In this installation, all the control units are mounted on a catwalk overhead for ease of maintenance

controls has thereby been reduced as much as 90 percent. This is significant on high-speed production lines, as down time is one of the highest operational costs.

Requirements

The requirements of a high-speed resistance welding control are: fail-safe operation of the timing circuit, fully electronic operation of both solenoid valve and weld-current control, transient reduction by 90-deg firing of the first half-cycle of welding current, highly accurate repetition and calibration, and high-speed operation of over 600 spots/min.

Fail-safe operation is accomplished by using positive voltage on the grid of the timing thyratron. Without this feature, the control might freeze the gun to the work on a high-speed production line and cause downtime.

Weld Current

To keep transients to a minimum, the weld current should be initiated at about 90 deg on the voltage wave for the first half-cycle only, and current flow should be terminated at the completion of a half-cycle opposite in polarity to the starting wave. When electron tubes are used to accomplish this critical timing, the firing angle and termination point will remain consistent after millions of operations. Furthermore, the fuses or other overload protection devices may be selected without having to compensate for high transients.

An example of a typical fullyelectronic control of high-speed resistance welding guns is shown in Fig. 1. Relays may be used as safety cutoff devices, but all operations are dependent on electronic timing.

The solenoid valve is actuated by a pair of 3-amp thyratrons V_1 and V_2 which will handle 40-amp inrush current. The tubes in this portion of the circuit eliminate the electrical strain imposed on the valve coil when relays are used. The same type 3-amp thyratrons V_8 and V_9 are used to control the weld current through the ignitrons and give accurate control for the 90-deg firing. Five smaller type-2050 tubes are used for the electronic sequencing and timing control.

All assemblies are held in place with quick-change fasteners and are electrically interconnected by plug-in connectors. Ignitrons are available using manual pressure



FIG. 2—Waveforms depict how fullwave control of solenoid valve is maintained by single positive pulse from V₃. Shaded area indicates ignition period

connections instead of bolts, and the water connections are changed with pressure-lock connectors.

Operation

With the timer at rest, but with power applied, capacitor C_1 is charged by conduction of V_4 , C_2 is charged through rectifier D_1 , C_3 is charged through D_2 , C_4 is charged through D_5 , and C_5 is charged through D_5 .

Valve-firing tubes V_1 and V_2 are each held nonconducting with about 60-v bias on their grids, while the weld-control tubes $V_{\rm s}$ and $V_{\rm s}$ are held blocked in the same manner. One pulse can be used to fire both V_1 and V_2 by using the inductive kick from $T_{\rm H}$. Thus the positive pulses from V_{\pm} will control both the positive and negative half-cycles to give full-wave control of the valve. This is shown graphically in Fig. 2. The same type of control is used to energize the weld transformer for full waves of current. When phase shift is necessary, a trailing tube is added and a phase-shift circuit controls T

There is a negative bias of about 30 v on the grid of V_a developed through R_i . At rest, the top of capacitor C_a is about 100-v positive. This voltage is applied to the grid through R_a . When initiating switch S_i is closed, V_a conducts, energizing the solenoid valve by causing conduction in V_i and V_a . With T_i energized, the voltage drop across its primary is rectified by D_a to charge C_a .



Interior view of resistance welding control unit. The relays at top are safety cutout devices; all other functions are electronically controlled

The charge on C_{a} puts a negative voltage on the grid of V, sufficient to block this tube. Capacitor C_1 then discharges through $R_{\rm a}$ for the squeeze time. When the voltage across C_1 drops to about 1 v, tube $V_{\rm a}$ fires and energizes $T_{\rm a}$. This also effectively shorts the positive pulses across the line, and rectifiers D_i and $D_{\rm s}$ stop charging their capacitors. The plate supply for V_{a} is derived from the secondary of T_{a} . This tube now conducts because the high positive voltage from C_{a} overcomes the negative bias from C_{2} . With T_{1} energized, pulses are fed back through D_a to keep C_a charged. Positive pulses are also fed to the grid of V_{τ} to overcome the negative bias, and the resulting conduction energizes the weld tubes.

Weld time starts when V_5 conducts, halting the charging of C_5 through rectifier D_2 . When C_5 discharges through R_4 to a potential of about 29 v, the negative bias from C_5 blocks V_6 , thus ending the weld time by removing the positive pulses from the grid of V_7 . With its charging source removed, C_2 drains through R_5 for the hold time. When the positive charge of C_2 drops to about 29 v, the negative voltage on C_4 blocks V_6 to end the hold time.

With S_x in the REPEAT position, blocking of V_x deenergizes T_1 and removes the source of charging current for C_x . This capacitor discharges through R_x for the off time. With the bias drained down, V_1 conducts and charges C_1 . The negative voltage at the top of C_1 blocks V_s and this immediately allows positive-pulse conduction through D_2 to recharge WELD capacitor C_s , and HOLD capacitor C_2 through D_1 . With the initiating switch held closed, charging of C_2 puts a positive voltage on the grid of V_a , causing it to fire and start another sequence.

For single-shot operation S_2 is placed in the SINGLE position. Closing S_1 charges C_6 through D_7 stopping the operation at the end of hold time as long as S_1 is closed.

Capacitor C_7 accomplishes the 90deg firing. At the start of the first weld pulse C_7 is completely discharged and takes 90 deg of the sine-wave pulse to charge fully. For this period no energy is fed to the grid of V_7 . After the capacitor is charged, however, the remainder of the half-wave pulse gets through to V_7 , overcoming the bias and causing the tube to fire at the 90-deg angle.

Now C_7 is charged fully on the first pulse and offers no shorting effect for the duration of the weld time. At the end of weld time C_7 is discharged through R_7 to be effective for the first pulse of the next weld-time period.

Construction

To conserve space, grain-oriented core transformers are used. These small transformers perform as well as the stacked-iron type, but they must be energized and deenergized at the correct points on the voltage wave to prevent saturation.

By using special plug-in phase shift units incorporating a trailing tube, either heat control, slope control, or current regulation can be used with the timer to accurately control current at the weld zone.

Calibration accuracy is essential for high-speed controls because of the possible necessity of fast interchange of panels during production. If the calibration accuracy of all controls is the same, replacement panels will give consistent operation without further adjustment. Because weld time is the most important function controlled by the unit, tap switches are generally used instead of potentiometers.

Both the valve solenoid and weld transformer must be in phase with the timer supply to be effective.



Transistorized relay servo has transistor amplifier (left), step-function potentiometer (right rear), reversible motor (right) and differential relay (front)

Transistors Reduce Relay Servo Size

Relay servo system simulates on-off control device by using step-function potentiometer to provide on-off characteristic of the null detector. Easily adjusted damping is applied through differential relay contacts to eliminate oscillations; fast response to small angle displacements assures close following

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D^{ESIRE FOR COMPACT} and efficient servo devices has grown with the postwar expansion of servo applications. Originally great efforts were expended on the design of linear components, but currently servo systems using less expensive nonlinear components are in demand.

This article describes a transistorized relay servo system which illustrates the simplicity possible in design of the nonlinear type.

Positional Units

Nonlinearities existing in the servo system shown in Fig. 1A are

approximated by linear transfer characteristics. When the servo device is used as a positional system,



FIG. 1—Linear (A) and relay (B) servo systems can both be used as positional units in antenna systems and the like the block KG $(j\omega)$ represents an electronic amplifier, a motor and a gear train. Except for errors resulting from nonlinearities such as static friction and backlash, the positional error is zero. A high-gain amplifier provides desirable performance, and compensating networks prevent oscillation.

The relay-type system shown in Fig. 1B has a full on or off voltage applied to the servo motor. In this system, a high degree of nonlinearity exists between the input error and the drive force applied to the servo motor.

Relay-type servo systems have

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FIG. 2—Tapping positive voltage off step-function potentiometer causes current flow in Q_i transistor, operation of relay $K_{1,i}$ and upward movement of arms. Negative voltage moves arms downward reversing direction of motor travel

the error signal available in both magnitude and sign, or in sign only. Block N of Fig. 1B, the nonlinearity in the system, may be in one or more places including the error-detector system.

Stabilization

Oscillation cycles whose amplitude and frequency depend on the parameters of the system exist in the relay servo. Damping devices that increase the natural frequency of oscillation to the point where the amplitude of the cycle is negligibly



FIG. 3—Characteristic of step-function potentiometer has 3-deg segment during which there is linear variation from zero to full output current small stabilize the relay servos.¹ These devices anticipate the point of correspondence between the input and the output shaft and apply a breaking torque to the motor prior to this point. By introducing a small dead zone into the system, continuous hunting is eliminated.

Reduction in size and weight of relay servo systems is achieved with efficient and compact relays which control power output in watts with microwatts of input. Use of nonlinear servo systems is mandatory where the available null detector is nonlinear outside of a narrow region at the null position. Since the system is insensitive to variations in gain, the gain parameter may vary over wide limits without affecting response characteristics.

Description of Equipment

The transistorized relay servo system shown in Fig. 2 has a stepfunction potentiometer with the characteristics shown in Fig. 3. The potentiometer simulates the on-off characteristic of the null detector. The dead center or null position of the servo system corresponds to the center of the linear range of the potentiometer.

The potentiometer has 360 deg of mechanical rotation and 357 deg of electrical contact. During a 3deg segment of the potentiometer rotation, a linear variation from zero to full output is obtained. The R-C time lag from the potentiometer to the base of the transistors simulates the time constant of the actual mechanical and motor system. Time constant variation produces undamped oscillations at the frequency of the actual system.

To equalize the sensitivity of the npn and pnp transistors, the series base resistors of the npn transistor are halved and the value of the capacitor associated with the smaller resistor doubled to compensate for the unequal time constant.

Compatible Performance

Transistors and relays are extremely compatible for on-off servo applications. Current drain for operation of the system shown in Fig. 2 is about 14 ma at 25 v. Since 10 ma is required as bleeder current for a center-tapped supply, actually only 4 ma at 25 v is required by the relay servo system.

The transistors are connected across a split 25-v power supply. Connection of the arm of the potentiometer to the positive side of the supply causes 4 ma, sufficient to operate the relay, to flow in transistor Q_1 . Except for reverse collector current, there is no current in Q_4 .

With the potentiometer arm connected to the negative supply, 4 ma flows through the other coil of the





differential relay and actuates the relay in the opposite direction. Since relay-system contacts are connected to the control winding of a reversible, shaded-pole motor, closing either set of contacts drives the motor toward the central position of the potentiometer. When there is no current in either coil, the relay is in its neutral position and the motor is not excited.

Damping

For a step displacement of the motor shaft, the slider voltage of the step-function potentiometer is shown in Fig. 4A where damping is not used. The voltage waveform illustrates the oscillatory nature of the output shaft position. The amplitude of the displacement corresponds to several deg on each side of the null position.

When base current is supplied to the off transistor as the relay closes, 2 ma of collector current, sufficient to return the relay to its neutral position, is produced in that transistor. By adjusting the value of the capacitance in the base circuit the amount of damping is changed for the desired response. The slider voltage obtained for three step displacements of the output shaft is shown in Fig. 4B. Potentiometer noise produces the variation of the correction voltage appearing at the top of the waveform.

The damping voltage shown in Fig. 4C and applied to the base of the off transistor decelerates the motor by tripping the relay off. This feedback voltage decays exponentially. Feedback prevents the motor from running at top speed and overshooting after it reaches the null position.

Position and Velocity

A sketch of the position and velocity of the output shaft superimposed on the phase-plane plot is shown for the damped and undamped cases in Fig. 5. The curve for the undamped case corresponds to one set of initial conditions. A family of such curves is obtained for various initial shaft displacements or initial shaft velocities. In the undamped case the phase-plane plot consists of parabolic segments when the motor's self-damping is small.² When damping forces on the motor are neglected, the equation of motor torque and acceleration is

$$T = I \left(\frac{d^2 \theta_o}{dt^2} \right) \tag{1}$$

where T is motor torque for full excitation, I is rotational inertia and $d^2\theta_o/dt^2$ is acceleration. Then

$$\omega_o(t) = (T/I) t + C_1$$
 (2)

where ω_o is output shaft angular velocity and constant C_1 is shaft angular velocity at t = 0. Furthermore,

$$\theta_o(t) = (T/2I) t^2 + C_1 t + C_2 \qquad (3)$$

where constant C_2 is the angular shaft position at t = 0.



FIG. 5—Position and velocity of output shaft is superimposed on phase-plane sketch for damped and undamped cases





Equations 2 and 3 are the parametric equations of the shaft motion in terms of time. When plotted on the phase plane for initial shaft displacements or velocities, the parabolic curves of Fig. 5 are obtained. With on-off control the point of motor reversal is

$$-\omega_{o}^{2} + (2T/I) \theta_{o} = 0$$
 (4)

or

$$\omega_o^2 + (2T/I) \theta_a = 0. \tag{5}$$

The quadrant of operation deter-

mines the appropriate equation to be used.

Equations 4 and 5 indicate the points on the reference plane for reversing the motor torque and bringing the output shaft to the null position in minimum time. This defines an optimum system in terms of minimum response time and zero overshoot. Equation 1 is only applicable for time intervals which are short with respect to the time constant of the servo drive motor.

System Advantages

Base-current damping does not give optimum system speed response but has the valuable features of simplicity and ease of adjustment. The degree of damping is adjusted by varying the time constant of the base feedback voltage. Essentially, impulse excitation of the motor control winding restores the shaft to the null position with the spacing of the impulses determined by the feedback time constant, Figure 6 shows the excitation time as controlled by the relay time constant, and the braking time by the feedback time constant.

With this system, the shaft is returned to the null position with a low energy storage assuring small amplitude of the stable oscillation. By introducing a dead zone and a center-position relay into the system, the oscillation is reduced to zero. Where a velocity input must be followed, base-current damping is desired, since the speed of response is fast for small displacement angles.

The system also has high damping. For small angles, operation approaches that indicated by Eq. 4 and 5. The maximum average velocity followed by the system is reduced by the impulse excitation, but within the velocity follow-up limits. satisfactory performance is obtained.

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Logical Design of SAGE

Speed and clarity of information are prime requisites of any effective radar system such as SAGE. The monitor described accomplishes these objectives and eliminates other unnecessary data simultaneously. Logical design of the equipment and detailed circuitry show how its done

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V SUAL DISPLAY of selected longrange radar inputs to the SAGE computer is provided by equipment known as the long-range radar input monitor control. The equipment consists of one large unit containing digital and analog portions and four display consoles. The types of display presented are shown and described in Fig. 1.

The monitor operator can select any one of 15 radar sites and any one of 14 types of messages. The messages identify the type of target; that is, ships, land masses, enemy aircraft and commercial aircraft. Desired selections are passed over to the digital portion of the equipment for comparison with in-

Front view of the long-range-radar input monitor

coming data. If the incoming site identity and message-label codes match a desired selection, a display of range R and azimuth data θ is made.

Input to the monitor consists of two successive digital words fed in parallel form and separated from each other in time by 10 μ sec. First word contains a radar site identification and message-label code; the second contains target range and azimuth data. Other information is contained in the words also but is not used by the monitor.

Logic for the word discriminator is shown in Fig. 2. Simultaneous reference to the timing chart in Fig. 3 is helpful.

A drum demand (DD) pulse from the drum control circuitry in the SAGE computer is received 6.5 μ sec before the first word (point A, Fig. 3). No DD pulse precedes the word, thereby allowing second determination of which word of the message has been received. At the same time the DD pulse is received, an OD-3 clock pulse arrives. The OD-3 pulse is delayed 1.5 μ sec (point B, Fig. 3). After the 1.5- μ sec delay of OD-3, it strobes the first gate in the output line of the flip-flop. The second gate is not affected because its suppressor grid is at -30 v. The resultant pulse sets a type-C flip-flop and goes through the register reset unit to reset all the storage registers.

After five more μ sec, the first word arrives (point *C*, Fig. 3) and is stored in the registers. Simultaneously, a data available (DA)

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FIG. 1—Display of selected long-rangeradar inputs to SAGE computer. Display is presented on a 16-in, crt mounted in console. Dots simulate targets in display used to check monitor operation. Test display differs from tactical display in that all noise and other spurious returns are filtered out. As in a ppi display, north is up, east to the right, etc. Data panels show equipment name, time of day, exposure time of photograph, radar site and type of message



FIG. 2—Logical design of word discriminator

Radar Input Monitor



FIG. 3—Timing chart for monitor. Clock pulses are spaced 2.5 μ sec apart and cycle is repeated every 10 μ sec. Data available (DA) pulse arrives with both first and second words

Table I—Register Complementing for Correct Quadrant Representation

Quadrant	20 Bit	910 12:5	Complement		
		2 00.	Sin Register	Cos Register	
1	0	0	210	MI	
2	0	1	20-29	All	
3	1	0	20-29, 211	None	
4	1	1	210, 211	None	

pulse arrives and sets a type-C flipflop. In the next five μ sec, information stored in the site and messagelabel registers is compared with the word requested at the consoles to decide whether or not to display the second word.

The next time an OD-3 pulse is received and delayed (point D, Fig. 3), gates 1 and 2 are strobed. Output from gate 1 resets the storage registers through the register reset unit. Output from gate 2 resets the DA flip-flop and strobes gate 4. The output pulse from gate 4 resets the two flip-flops and strobes the selector output gate to start the display timer if a selection has been made. There is no output pulse from gate 3 since its suppressor grid is at -30 v.

The DA pulse associated with the second word and the second word arrive five μ sec after the second OD-3 delayed pulse (point *E*, Fig. 3). The second word is stored in the registers while the DA pulse sets a type-C flip-flop. At this time, the condition of the flip-flops storing the two most significant bits of the azimuth information is sampled to determine which quadrant the mes-

sage represents. The register complementer then has outputs available to complement the storage registers. This action is necessary to insure that the output levels will represent the required quadrant correctly.

The next OD-3 delayed pulse (point F, Fig. 3) strobes gates 1 and 2. There is no output from gate 1 since its suppressor is at -30 v. Pulse output from gate 2 resets the DA flip-flop and strobes gates 3 and 4. There is no output from gate 4



FIG. 4—Logical design of register complementer

since its suppressor is at -30 v. Output from gate 3 strobes four gates in the vegister complementer allowing the necessary complementing to be accomplished.

The next OD-3 pulse has no further effect since the two gates which it strobes have their suppressors at -30 v. The operational sequence is not started again until another DD pulse is received. If the received message is not selected for display, the next DD pulse starts the sequence again.

If the message is selected for display, a display-started (DS) pulse is supplied to the common equipment where further DD pulses are inhibited until the display period ends.

At the end of the display period, a display-ended (DE) pulse is generated which resets the storage registers. The DE pulse is supplied to the common equipment also and deinhibits the DD pulses. Timing and control of the DS and DE pulses are functions of the display timer. It will not be described in detail because of space limitations.

Storage Registers

Three flip-flop storage registers are provided in the digital portion to store the received information bits. These are: a site and messagelabel storage; range storage; and azimuth storage.

Site and message-label informa-



FIG. 5-Effects of register complementing



FIG. 6—Logic of the site-selection portion of the monitor

tion are stored in a nine-bit storage register arranged so that input may be changed readily to accommodate any rearrangement of bits making up the first word. Outputs of this register are connected to the display selection circuitry so that a comparison can be made with the site and message-label words requested at the consoles.

Range information is stored in a 10-bit register. When a display is to be made, outputs of this register are fed to the range decoder in the analog portion without alteration.

Azimuth data is fed in parallel to two storage registers. All 12 bits are stored in one of the registers, outputs of which go to the sine decoder in the analog portion. The first 11 bits (2° to 2°) are also stored in the second register. Outputs from this second unit are fed to the cos decoder in the analog portion.

Register Complementer

Logic for the register complementer is shown in Fig. 4. The two most significant bits of the sin-storage register are fed to the complementer. Condition of the two register flip-flops indicates the message quadrant. Azimuth data stored in the sin-storage register represent a specific angle. This information is used only once and then discarded. Assume, however, the azimuth information that started at 0 deg and increased successively to 360 deg. Then, the summed output of the azimuth storage register through all four quadrants would appear, without register complementing circuitry, as the flip-flop output before complementing as shown in Fig. 5. The register complementer complements both the sin- and cos-storage registers to produce a triangularly shaped output approximating either the sin or cos of the azimuth angle stored in the registers. Result of this complementing is indicated by the remaining two lines in Fig. 5.

Table I shows that condition of the two most significant bits $(2^{10}$ and $2^{11})$ of the sin-storage register is unique for each quadrant. Other columns of the table indicate which bits of the sin and cos registers must be complemented so that output levels correctly represent the quadrant.

In the first quadrant there are zeros on the lines for the 2¹⁰ and 2¹¹ sin set sides and ones on the lines for the reset sides referring to Fig. 4. As a result, only AND circuit 1 has an output. When this level is gated through gate 1, an output pulse is obtained from OR circuits 1 and 2 which complement all of the cos register and the 2¹⁰ sin flipflop after passing through the appropriate driver circuitry.

In the second quadrant, zeros appear on the lines from the 2^{10} sine set side and the 2^{10} sin reset side. Ones appear on the other two lines so that only AND circuit 2 has an output. When this output level is gated through gate 2, an output pulse is obtained from δR circuits 2 and 3. These pulses pass through the driver circuitry and complement all of the cos register and the 2^{0} through 2^{0} sin flip-flops.

In the third quadrant, there are ones on the lines from the 2^{11} sin set side and the 2^{10} sin reset side while the other two lines have zeros on them. In this case, only AND circuit 4 has an output which is gated through gate 4 at the correct time. An output pulse is then obtained from OR circuits 3 and 4. These pulses pass through the driver circuitry and complement all of the sin registers except for the 2^{10} sin

bit which remains uncomplemented.

In the fourth quadrant, ones appear on the lines from the 2^{10} and 2^{11} sin set sides while zeros appear on the lines from the reset sides. Consequently, an output is obtained from AND circuit 3 which is gated through gate 3 at the correct time. An output pulse is then obtained from OR circuits 1 and 4. These pulses pass through the driver circuitry and complement the 2^{10} and 2^{11} sin bits.

Display Selection

Either a particular type of message from a specified radar site or all messages from a specified radar set can be displayed. In the first case, words in the storage registers are compared with words requested at the consoles in the site-identity and single-message-label selectors. In the second case, site-identity and multiple-message-label selectors are used. To avoid switching circuitry, single- and multiple-message-label selectors are fed in parallel. Output of each is combined in an OR circuit, To cause a display, an output must be obtained from the site selector and from one of the message-label selectors. Selection circuitry is built in quadruplicate, one set for each console.

Site-Identity Selector

Logic for the site-identity selector is shown in Fig. 6. A typical binary word $(1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0)$ has been chosen. Any other word could be compared in a similar fashion. The



FIG. 7-Single-messagetlabel selection logic

word from the console uses the opposite level notation of the word from the registers. That is, binary one is +10 v and binary zero is -30 v from the registers. But binary one is -30 v and binary zero is +10 v from the console selection switches. Under these conditions and with the particular binary word chosen as an example, OR circuits 1 to 4 have a +10-v output and AND circuits 1 to 4 have a -30-v output. As a result, AND circuit 5 has a +10-v output and OR circuit 5 has a -30-v output. The inverter



FIG. 8—Multiple-message-label selection logic

changes the -30-v output from OR circuit 5 to +10 v and feeds it to AND circuit 6. This circuit now has two of the three necessary inputs. If either of the message-label selectors has a +10-v output, the third input requirement will be filled and AND circuit 6 will have a +10-v output. This output is gated out to become the intensification trigger pulse which starts the timing count in the display timer.

Assume that the word in the storage register had been 1 0 1 1 and the word requested by the consoles was still 1 0 1 0. Then, a +10v output would have been obtained from AND circuit 4. After passing through OR circuit 5, this output would have been inverted. The resultant -30-v level would have blocked AND circuit 6. Any mismatch in the words will result in the output being blocked in a similar fashion.

Single-Message-Label Selector

Logic of the single-message-label selector is shown in Fig. 7. Selection of a single message label is performed in exactly the same manner as in the site-identity selector. Output of the site-identity selector is fed to the or circuit shown in Fig. 6, If an output is obtained from the multiple-message-label selector it is fed back to or circuit 6 in the single-message-label selector. This level (+10 v) passes through the inverter and applies -30 v to the output AND circuit. This action blocks any output from the single-message-label selector and serves to interlock the two message-label selectors as a safety feature.

Multiple-Message-Label Selector

Logic of the multiple-messagelabel selector is shown in Fig. 8. This mode of operation can be selected at the console. Assume that the word requested by the consoles is 0 0 0 0 0. With the opposite voltage-level representation still being used, the levels are all +10 v. With the circuitry shown, an output will be obtained for all message labels representing odd binary numbers except 17 (10001) and 19 (1001 1). These last two numbers are used for height finder information and have no significance for the monitor.

If the conditions for messagelabel selection (Fig. 8) are examined closely, the following conditions are evident: A must always be a one (+10 v); B may be either a one or a zero (-30 v or +10 v); C is a zero whenever both B and D are zeros; D may be a one or a zero; and E is always a one. In Boolean notation, output of the circuit must be:

(A)
$$(B + \overline{D} + \overline{C})$$
 (E).

The notation on Fig. 8 indicates the manner in which this function is obtained with the circuitry shown.

Output of the multiple-messagelabel selector is fed to OR circuit 6, Fig. 7, to perform the interlocking function. Output is fed also to the OR circuit in Fig. 6 so that an intensification trigger pulse may be obtained if an output is available from the site-identity selector.

The binary decoder in the analog portion of the equipment, Fig. 9, performs a digital-to-analog conversion. Three decoders are used in the monitor—one each in the sin θ , cos θ , and range channels. Output of any one of the decoder units is a d-c level proportional to the digital data appearing at the input



FIG. 9—Block diagram of analog portion of the monitor showing various operational stages

of the binary decoder unit.

Five basic circuits are used to perform the conversion. These are: two voltage reference sources, a constant-current source, a currentswitching tube, and a resistive ladder network.

Decoder Circuitry

Figure 10 shows the circuitry for two of the 11 decoder stages. These two stages correspond to the two most significant bits of digital data presented to the decoder units. The decoder output voltage varies from ± 100 v (no digital input) to ± 150 v (all digital inputs present).

Part of the resistive ladder, R_1 through R_3 , is shown at the top of Fig. 10. The ladder weights and sums the digital input so that the analog voltage output is propor-

tional to the input word. Summing takes place since there is one output terminal for the entire ladder network.

To understand the weighting function, assume that the righthand halves of current-switching tubes V_1 and V_2 are conducting. Each tube draws the same current through the ladder. The ladder characteristics, however, are such that the drop associated with V_1 has only half the effect on the output voltage as the drop associated with $V_{\rm e}$. The same effect exists in every section of the ladder so that the individual stages correctly represent the binary weighting of the digital input.

Tube sections $V_{a,t}$ and $V_{a,t}$ provide a constant-current source during the time that V_1 and V_2 draw cur-



FIG. 10—Circuitry for two of the 11 decoders used



FIG. 11—Simplified circuitry for a buffer unit

rent through the ladder network. Reference voltage 2 is supplied to the grids of V_a to stabilize the operation. Calibration potentiometers are used in the cathodes of V_a both for initial calibration and to correct for any long-term component drift. Constant-current sources described are used in the four most significant stages of the decoder. For the other seven stages, a regulated voltage reference is the only necessary control.

In V_1 and V_2 , digital data are applied to the left-hand grids. When a digital zero is supplied to a decoder-stage input, it is desirable to have that stage draw current through the ladder network. Result of this mode of operation is that the output voltage will be low (+100 v) with all inputs zero (-30 v) and high (+150 v) with all inputs ones (+10 v). To obtain this mode, the right-hand grids of V_1 and V_2 are held constant at a regulated negative voltage (reference voltage 1).

When a zero is applied to any stage, the left side of that currentswitching tube is cut off. The right side draws current through the ladder network, dropping the output voltage.

When a one is applied to the stage, the left side of the currentswitching tube conducts, the right side is cut off. Output voltage rises according to the weight of that stage. Current drawn by the left side of the current switching tubes is bypassed around the resistor ladder network.

Buffer Unit

Two voltage regulators and three operational amplifiers comprise the buffer unit. Each has its own levelshifting network, as shown in Fig. 11.

One amplifier and level-shifting network is used in each of the three signal channels (sin θ , cos θ and range).

Pure resistive coupling is used between the level-shifting network and the operational amplifier. Despite the signal attenuation present, this type of coupling is used to preserve the accurate signal level from the decoder output. Signal levels are shifted so that the sin and cos channels will have a range from



FIG. 12—Schematic diagram of an operctional amplifier

-25 to +25 v as the azimuth increases from 0 to 360 deg. Also, it is necessary that the range channel vary from 0 to +50 v as the range increases from 0 to maximum. Level-shifting precision is maintained by 0.1-percent resistors. The resistive network is used also to provide the necessary fixed, highresistance load for the decoders.

Operational Amplifiers

Primary function of the operational amplifier is to provide a source capable of driving the varying input impedance of the sin-cos approximators. Gain lost in the level-shifting network is also made up in this stage. In the range channel, restoring the lost gain is the only function of that operational amplifier.

Operational amplifiers were selected because of the high precision obtainable. The amplifier has an open-loop gain in excess of 3,000 and a maximum theoretical error of 0.03 percent. The amplifier is actually operated at a net gain of only slightly greater than unity. Use of high-precision resistors in the negative feedback from the gain-setting network assures stability of the selected net gain regardless of any variation of tube parameters.

Several types of operational amplifiers are used. A schematic of a typical one is shown in Fig. 12. A differential-amplifier stage minimizes effects of tube drift. A pentode second stage with positive feedback and a cathode-follower output stage are used also. Regulated voltages are used in the input



FIG. 13-Sin-cos approximator has circuitry shown

stage to minimize effect of any supply ripple at the output of the amplifier.

Output of the range buffer is fed directly to each of the analog multipliers. Sin and cos buffer outputs are fed to the sin sin-cos approximator and the cos sin-cos approximator.

Sin-Cos Approximator

The sin-cos approximator converts the first approximation of sin θ and cos θ to an accurate approximation of these functions. Conversion is accomplished by use of two diode function generators—one for positive signals, the other for negative signals. Circuitry is shown in Fig. 13.

Two voltage regulators are also associated with this circuit. Each supplies one of the reference voltages indicated.

Assume that information is entering the digital portion in the form of constantly increasing values of the azimuth angle θ . For any constant range, this information is displayed as a circle on the console. The first approximation of θ enters the sin-cos approximator as a triangular wave. It should be stated here that each cycle of the triangular wave consists of 4096 separate messages to the digital portion, one for each additional azimuth bit. The triangular wave is shaped to a sin (or cos) wave by the biased diodes. The diodes approximate the sin wave with a series of linear functions. The number of diodes used determines the accuracy of the approximation (one percent in the monitor). Diode-connected triodes were used.

Two analog multipliers are used in the monitor to convert the decoder range R and azimuth θ information into x and y coordinates. Specifically, one multiplier multiplies R by sin θ to obtain x. The other multiplies R by cos θ to obtain y.

The R data are obtained from the range-buffer amplifier and the sin and cos data are from the two



FIG. 14—Circuitry for distribution power amplifier

sin-cos approximators. Multiplier outputs are fed to the distribution power amplifiers.

Polar coordinates used in the monitor are oppisite to the x = R $\cos \theta$ and $u = R \sin \theta$ seen generally in mathematics. If the usual coordinates were used, zero azimuth (at maximum range) would be displayed at the right side of the crt. Spots displayed at increasing azimuth angles would then appear in successive counter-clockwise positions. By changing the coordinates, zero azimuth or north (at maximum range) appears at the top of the crt. Increasing azimuth angles cause the spots to appear in successive clockwise positions.

Analog Multiplier

The analog voltage multiplier uses several operational amplifiers and associated network circuitry in a variation of the quarter-squared technique of multiplying two voltages. This technique uses the equation

$$xy = \frac{1}{4} \left[(x + y)^2 - (x - y)^2 \right]$$

Squares of the sum and difference terms are formed accurately and synthetically without use of squaring devices. Operational amplifiers find the difference term and divide by four. The only satisfactory explanation of the multiplier operation is mathematical but will not be dealt with here.

Distribution Power Amplifier

The distribution power amplifier is an operational amplifier with an output capable of supplying high current with low output impedance. The output signal drives the deflection amplifiers in the consoles. A schematic of the distribution power amplifier is shown in Fig. 14. Regulators stabilize the internal voltages and several compensating networks maintain short rise and fall times. A large amount of negative feedback reduces the high open-loop gain to a closed-loop gain approaching unit. This stabilizes the selector net gain for tube parameter variations.

This equipment was developed by Bendix Radio on a subcontract under the auspices of IBM, Lincoln Laboratory and the USAF.

Transistor Unit Monitors

Continuous indication of blood pressure, with better than 3-percent full-scale accuracy, is obtained by using variable-reactance pressure transducer mounted in 5-cc syringe. Transistorized excitation supply amplifier and power-supply circuits permit packaging entire instrument in 8 by 10 by 10 inch unit

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R^{ELIABLE AND ACCURATE methods of continuously measuring a patient's blood pressure during an operation have been provided for many years by commercial instruments. However, because operating room space is at such a premium it was felt that many of the bulky commercial models could be replaced by a transistorized monitor.}

The instrument to be described has three ranges, 0 to 75, 0 to 150 and 0 to 300 mm of Hg; the mean blood pressure is indicated on a panel meter, while an additional output permits continuous recording of systolic and diastolic pressure variations. The complete instrument measures 8 by 10 by 10 in. and has a full-scale accuracy of better than 3 percent.

Basic Principles

By definition the maximum intraarterial pressure during contraction of the heart, or the systole phase, is called systolic and the minimum pressure between relaxation and the start of the next heart contraction is called diastolic. The mean pressure is usually given as half the sum of the values for the systolic and diastolic pressures. A pressure introduced at the transducer effects an electrical relationship which is exactly proportional to the applied pressure.

The transducer, which is activated by a needle inserted directly into a patient's artery, is a commercially available variable-reactance unit that replaces the plunger



FIG. 1—Accuracy and repeatability of readings obtained with this circuit are limited only by characteristics of transducer used

Blood Pressure

in a 5-cc syringe. This assembly facilitates sterilization by solution or autoclaving. To prevent blood clotting, a three-way stopcock is used between the needle and the syringe for the introduction of anticoagulant solution.

Circuit

The transducer is excited by a low-distortion sine wave produced by the oscillator shown in Fig. 1. This circuit is the counterpart of the vacuum-tube Wien-bridge oscillator. Positive and negative feedback circuits generate a 5-kc, 1-v rms signal.

Frequency of oscillation is determined by the bridge circuit (R_1, R_2, C_1, C_2) in the negative-feedback loop. The amplitude of oscillation is stabilized by the lamp filament resistance in the positive feedback circuit. Power output stage Q_4 couples the oscillator to the low-impedance transducer bridge circuit.

With the bridge parameters shown and proper balancing procedure, the null potential can be made as low as 0.1 mv. The null point, although not absolute zero, is low enough to be negligible and serves as a reference for the output readings.

The signal from the bridge is fed through a range switch into a threestage 5-kc amplifier comprising Q_z , Q_a and Q_τ ; bandwidth and gain are shown in Fig. 2. Provision of sufficient negative feedback throughout the amplifier allows variations between transistors and provides good thermal stability.

The amplified pressure signal is rectified by D_1 and applied to the bases of Q_* and Q_0 . A microammeter is connected between the collectors. Silicon transistors are used because of their greater stability with temperature variations.

To obtain a true mean-pressure indication on the meter, the ripple voltage produced by the systolic and diastolic pressure variations is fed in phase to both sides of the differential amplifier through a large capacitor and thus does not



Compactness, accuracy and dependability of unit make it ideal for operating-room service. Complete instrument measures only 8 by 10 by 10 in.





FIG. 2—Tuned amplifier response showing bandwidth and gain

affect the meter reading. However, a pen-recorder output is incorporated to obtain a record of systolic/diastolic pressure changes.

The constant-voltage transistorregulated power supply produces -12 v at the load with better than 1-percent regulation for line variations of ± 10 percent, and better than 5-percent regulation variations from zero to 100 ma.

Calibration

The instrument is calibrated by applying a known pressure on the transducer through a cuff manometer. With the range switch on the 0 to 75 mm range and a static

FIG. 3—Calibration curves for different operating ranges

pressure of 75 mm of Hg set by the cuff manometer, a full-scale reading is obtained by adjusting the current flowing into the base of Q_s with the calibration potentiometer. Typical calibration curves for the instrument are shown in Fig. 3.

Accuracy and repeatability of readings are determined chiefly by the transducer used. With a Crescent type MPQ6 (0 to 300 mm Hg) transducer in the circuit, an accuracy of better than 3-percent full scale was obtained. The overall base-line drift, after a warmup period of two hours is less than 1 percent of the full-scale reading per hour.





FIG. 1—High-pass and low-pass cutoff frequencies and ideal slopes

Bandpass filter in use in the laboratory, is the light-weight aluminum unit above the signal generator

Active Bandpass Filter

There are many applications for a small, adjustable audio bandpass filter having sharp cut-off characteristics. The filter described here is adaptable for sound analysis' and can be designed with fractional octave steps. Sharp cutoff slopes, wide dynamic range and low noise make it valuable for a variety of measurements in the audio field.

By making the filter active, all inductances could be eliminated, reducing size, weight, distortion and hum pickup while extending dynamic range. To obtain sharp corners and high cutoff slopes with a minimum of complication, both high-pass and low-pass sections of the filter were designed to achieve 7th-order Butterworth (maximallyflat) characteristics, giving cutoff slopes of 42 db/octave.

In a 7th-order filter of the type considered, seven elements must be varied simultaneously to alter the cutoff frequency. Because it is difficult to achieve accurate tracking of seven ganged elements, it was decided to change the cutoff frequency by switching the elements in discrete steps. Each decade is divided into eleven intervals, equally spaced on a logarithmic frequency scale. Thus, the ratio between two successive cutoff frequencies is $10^{1/10} = 1.23285$.

The selected frequencies and ideal cutoff characteristics are

shown in Fig. 1. There are 34 separate high-pass cutoffs from 16.2 cps to 16,200 cps and 34 low-pass cutoffs running from 20 cps to 20,-000 cps. The 12 cutoff frequencies within each frequency decade are obtained by switching resistor values while frequency multiplication factors of 10 and 100 are achieved by switching capacitors.

The absolute value of the inputoutput voltage transfer ratio, $S(j\omega)$, of a 7th-order low-pass Butterworth filter having unity transfer ratio in the pass region may be written as $|S(j\omega)| = [1 + \omega^n]^{-\frac{1}{2}}$, where the cutoff radial frequency ω_n has been normalized to unity for convenience. As shown elsewhere³,

Table I—Low-Pass Frequency-Determining Resistor Values

Table II—High-Pass Frequency-Determining Resistor

fe		<i>d</i> =	1.802	<i>d</i> =	1.247	<i>d</i> =	0.4 <mark>45</mark>
cps	R_0	R_1	P_{2}	R_1	R_2	R_1	R_2
20	795 85	914 48	116 98	571 73	360 21	596 11	351 15
24.60	645	766	362 52	163.69	299 11	183 19	287 22
30 1	523.56	621.37	294.07	376 11	212.9	392 2	232.99
37.48	3 121.66	503.99	238.52	305.09	197.02	318.11	188.98
46.2	311.51	108.87	193.5	247.5	159.83	258.07	153.31
56.96	5 279. E	331.63	156.95	200.75	129 61	209.32	124.35
70.23	3 2 <u>26</u> .6	268.97	127.29	162.82	105 11	169.77	100.85
86.58	183.83 1 83	218.17	103.25	132.07	85.29	137.71	81. <mark>81</mark>
106.74	- 1 49.11	176.97	83.75	107.13	69.18	111.7	6 <u>6.36</u>
131.59	120.95	143.55	67.94	86.9	56.12	90.6	53.83
162.2	<mark> 98.11</mark>	116.44	55.1	70.18	45.52	73.49	13.66
2 <mark>00</mark>	79.58	94.45	44.7	57.17	36.92	59.61	35.42

f		<i>d</i> =	1.802	<i>d</i> =	1.247	<u> </u>	0 <mark>.445</mark>
сря 	R_0	R_1	R_{2}	R_1	B ₂	R_1	R_{ϕ}
16.22 20 24.66 30.4 37.18 16.20 56.96 70.23 86.58 106.74	981.1 795.82 645.13 523.56 424.66 314.51 279.13 226.63 183.83 149.11	867.3 703.51 570.57 462.84 375.41 301.55 247.02 200.35 187.38 131.82	1109.8 900.21 730.10 592.21 180.37 389.70 316.09 256.36 207.95 168.67	587 1 176 23 386 23 313 31 254 12 206 16 167 21 135 62 110 01 89 23	1639.3 1329.7 1078.4 874.81 709.56 575.61 166.90 378.68 307.17 249.15	325.3 263.87 214.00 173.60 140.80 114.23 92.65 75.14 60.95 49.44	976.0 791.68 642.08 520.84 422.16 342.72 277.98 225.16 182.88 148.34
131.59 162.23	120.95 98.11	106.92 86.73	136.82 110.98	$\frac{72.38}{58.71}$	$\frac{202.10}{163.93}$	$\frac{10.10}{32.53}$	120.33 97.60

Use of active elements results in a lightweight, adjustable R-C audio filter having Butterworth attenuation characteristics and 42 db/octave cutoff slopes. Filter supplies more than 50 volts rms output with low distortion and has dynamic range exceeding 100 db. Second-order harmonic distortion is considerably reduced by operating tube heaters at low voltage

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Has Sharp Cutoff

the transfer ratio itself may be written in terms of the complex frequency variable $p(\text{equal to } \tau +$ $j\omega$, where σ is a small constant) as $S(p) = [(p + 1)(p^2 + d_1p + 1)]$ $(p^{s} + d_{s}p + 1)(p^{s} + d_{s}p + 1)]^{-1},$ with $d_m = 2 \cos (\pi m/7)$ for n =1, 2, 3. These values of d_m (1.802, 1.247, and 0.445) cause the complexconjugate poles of S(p) to lie equally spaced on the left half of a unit-radius circle in the p plane with center at p = 0. There is also a pole at p = -1. This distribution of poles results in Butterworth, or maximally flat, response. For highpass response, there is a 7th-order zero at p = 0 in addition.

One of the easiest ways of realizing the above form of S(p) is to use a separate circuit to achieve each term in parentheses in the expression for S(p). These circuits must, of course, be isolated from each other. The term $(p + 1)^{-i}$ is produced merely by a single R-C time constant. The other terms may be realized in a variety of ways.

Results of previous work^{*} lead to the simple feedback circuits of Fig. 2. The active elements with voltage transfer ratios of K should, ideally, have infinite input and zero output impedances. They then give perfect isolation between stages. For practical purposes, cathode followers may be used as long as the required K is less than unity.

Equations relating the d's, K's, and frequency-determining resistor and capacitor values have been given and are discussed in connection with the detailed circuit design of the present filter elsewhere.^{2,3} Tables I and II show the calculated frequency determining resistor values. Resistor values were selected to within 2 or 3 percent of nominal and the capacitor values to within 1 percent, Table III.



FIG. 2—Elemental frequency-determining circuits with feedback

Figure 3 shows the circuit of the filter with switches for changing resistor and capacitor values omitted. The switches shown allow the low-pass and the high-pass sections to be used in series, either section separately, or neither section. The low-pass section is entirely direct coupled and could be employed separately as a direct-coupled filter.

Augmented cathode followers

Table III—Active-Element Transfer Ratios, K, and Frequency-Determining Capacitor (µf) for the Lowest Decade

1	K		C_{o}		C_1		C_2	
a	LP	HP	LP	HP	LP	ΠP	LP	HP
	0.97	0.97	0.01	0.01	344		• • • •	
802	0.97	0.97			0.015	0.01	0.01	0.01
0.445	1.333	1.300			0.03	0.01	0.01	0.03



FIG. 3—Filter circuit with switching of frequency-determining elements omitted

 $(acf)^*$ which have low output impedances and voltage transfer ratios which may be made greater than unity are used. The filter was actually designed with all cathode follower K's equal to 0.97 and with the low- and high-pass acf's having K's of 1.33 and 1.3, respectively.

Cathode Followers

The 12BZ7 cathode followers used were found to be superior to 12AT7's in having an input-output voltage transfer ratio nearer unity and a lower output impedance. The factor K varied from 0.98 with an added output load of 115,000 ohms to 0.96 with an added load of 15,-000 ohms. Because switching of the determining frequency resistors puts a varying load on the cathodefollower circuits, it is desirable to pick the impedance level such that the change from minimum to maximum load alters K as little as possible since the *d* factors which determine filter response depend on the K's. On the other hand, with too high an impedance level, the effect of stray capacitances will become important at high frequencies.

The impedance level has been selected so that all cathode-follower K's lie between about 0.982 and 0.97. Frequency-determining resistance values then lie between 1.1 megohm and 32,000 ohms. The actual small variations of K with load have been found to exert negligible effect on the filter characteristics. The output impedances of the two acf's used are so low that variable loading has no measurable effect on their K values. Values of K greater than unity are achieved here by tapping down the feedback line on the output cathode resistor. Distortion is low in the acf circuits and, like cathode followers, they produce no phase inversion.

In the cathode follower circuits, the input shields are driven by the output. Since the output is in phase with and almost equal to the input, this technique reduces the effect of stray capacitance to ground and of capacitance between shield and input appreciably. The minimum input resistance of the filter is about 80,000 ohms. It could be made much greater by using a separate input isolation stage. The output resistance is about 350 ohms. By placing an acf last, it could be reduced to about 5 ohms; it was felt more desirable, however, to use the low acf output resistance to drive frequency-selective elements instead of the output.

Performance

Before measurement of filter performance, the two acf K-values were adjusted to give the closest approximation to maximally flat or Butterworth response in the neighborhood of all of the cutoff frequencies. Although the many fredetermining resistance quency values were selected to within only two or three percent tolerance, it was found that all cutoff regions approximated ideal Butterworth response to within ± 1 db and that many were much closer than that to ideal. Only when several of the resistance tolerances were off in the same direction did as much as a

1 db deviation above or below ideal response occur. In the majority of the cases, resistance deviations in opposite directions cancelled out.

The input-output voltage transfer ratio of the low-pass section was found to be 1.33 while that of the high-pass section was 1.26, making the voltage amplification ratio of both sections in series 1.68. These results apply for all positions of the low-pass section but are slightly altered for the $f \times 100$ position of the high-pass section. There, the high-pass voltage transfer ratio is reduced by 4 db compared to the $f \times 1$ and $f \times 10$ positions. This reduction is independent of cutoff position (resistance values) and arises from unavoidable stray capacitance to ground. The effect could have been reduced or eliminated entirely by making all highpass capacitance values ten times larger and all resistance values ten



FIG. 4---Typical amplitude and phase characteristics of the filter

times smaller. This reduction in impedance level would have caused appreciable change in cathode follower K's with cutoff position, however, because of the increased loading and would have necessitated replacement of these cathode followers by acf's if no change of highpass voltage transfer ratio and corner shape with cut-off position were required.

The impedance level is similarly high in the low-pass section, but voltage amplification reduction in the $f \times 100$ position can be eliminated since the important stray capacitance is there in parallel with the frequency-determining capacitances. By using variable trimmer capacitances in the $f \times 100$ position, the values of all C_0 , C_1 , and C_2 capacitances can be set once and for all to their correct values, including stray capacitance effects, to yield Butterworth response.

Phase and Amplitude

Typical amplitude and phase characteristics for two different settings of the filter are shown in Fig. 4. Because of unavoidable harmonic distortion in the oscillator used, the high-pass amplitude characteristic with high-pass cutoff frequency $f_{\rm H-P} = 1,070$ cps, low-pass cutoff $f_{\rm L-P} = 20,000$ cps had to be measured with a wave analyzer. The lowpass characteristic could be measured with either the wave analyzer or a wide-band a-c voltmeter. Phase was measured with a phasemeter. The intrinsic noise output of the filter set for maximum bandpass



FIG. 5-Intermodulation distortion versus output voltage for two heater voltages

 $(f_{\text{II-P}} = 16 \text{ cps}, f_{\text{I-P}} = 20,000 \text{ cps})$ was less than 100 μ v rms measured with a wide-bandwidth voltmeter.

The residual 6 db/octave slope in the low-pass characteristics of Fig. 4 arises from feedthrough. These results suggest that if the impedance level in the low-pass section were reduced by making all frequency determining capacitors larger and all resistors smaller by a factor of ten, an increased region of attenuation of 42 db/octave slope in the $f \times 100$ and $f \times 10$ positions could be achieved.

The amplitude response curves of Fig. 4 are within better than 1 db of ideal Butterworth response over

their entire regions until the final high-attenuation curvature sets in. Since the attenuation at cut-off should be 3 db, when both low-pass and high-pass sections are set to the same cutoff frequency the combined attenuation should be 6 db at the peak of the resulting inverted V characteristic. In the large majority of cases, the attenuation is 6 db ± 1 db; in a few cases, the deviation may be as large as ± 2 db.

The upper dashed phase curve of Fig. 4 is associated with the lowpass amplitude curve. It approaches a high-frequency limiting value of 560 deg, while the lower phase curve approaches a value of -560 deg. These phase shifts are appreciable. Others have shown⁵ that tremendous phase shifts are required to cause audible effects.

It has already been mentioned that when f_{H-P} and f_{L-P} are set equal, the resulting characteristic



FIG. 6-Intermodulation and harmonic distortion versus heater voltage

is an inverted V with 42 db/octave side slopes. When the high- and lowpass cut-offs are separated by one step, the top of the characteristic is more rounded and is about 1.2 db under the normal transmission of the filter. With two or more steps between high- and low-pass settings, the top of the band-pass characteristic is not reduced compared with the normal transmission and it shows a definite flat portion with three or more steps.

The dynamic range of the filter is great. Because of the use of cathode followers and acf circuits, it will handle an output of more than 50 v rms without appreciable distortion. The total dynamic range therefore exceeds 110 db. Having no inductors, the filter is not susceptible to hum pickup from magnetic fields.

Figure 5 shows the measured intermodulation distortion of the filter for two different heater voltages applied to all tubes. The effect of heater voltage in reducing distortion is clarified in Fig. 6. These measurements show that the third harmonic distortion is virtually independent of heater voltage (or current) until such low voltages are reached that cathode emission drops rapidly. Similarly, the fundamental component is independent of heater-voltage until this level is reached. On the other hand, the second harmonic goes virtually to zero just before the point is reached where the emission drops quickly.

Since the second harmonic is the major harmonic component at the lower output voltages. Figs 5 and 6 show that the intermodulation distortion is also appreciably reduced at the lower outputs by reducing the heater voltage to the region where second-harmonic distortion is negligible. This conclusion is also borne out by the different slopes of the two curves of Fig. 5. The low distortion values shown in Figs. 5 and 6 also depend on proper selection of the positive and negative supply voltages.

Second-harmonic cancellation of the above form arises from a dependence of the input-output transfer characteristics of the various tubes of the filter on cathode temperature. At a certain temperature, the curvatures of these characteristics are apparently just right to yield a combined characteristic with no second-order harmonic-generating components over quite a wide dynamic range. Since the specifications of the filter are improved by operation with 3.5-3.8 volts on the heaters, it is run at that level.

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Amplifier Delay Charts

Curves presented here permit rapid determination of time delay through various types of amplifiers when only desired bandwidth is known. Most desirable amplifier type for a given design can be found directly from a universal chart especially applicable to computers and radar

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in ordinary R-L-C networks are important design factors. Many applications use

S MALL TIME DELAYS present in vacuum tube amplifiers determine the correct temporal relationship between two or more signals. This delay time is composed of two parts—actual transit time in tubes and components and delay resulting from phase shift through the circuit.

Since transit time delays are insignificant, this discussion deals only with phase shift effects. Basic equation used is

$$T = t_{\rm out} - t_{\rm in} = -\frac{d\phi}{d\omega}$$

where T is time delay, $t_{\rm out}$ is time out of network, $t_{\rm in}$ is time into network, ϕ is phase shift through network and ω is any frequency.



FIG. 2—Time delay curves for video amplifiers. Video amplifiers can be common R-C amplifiers or compensated types which provide bandwidth improvement and faster rise time. Time delay curves for various degrees of shunt compensation are plotted in (A). For the uncompensated case, the time delay variation across the bandwidth is 50 percent while for 0.25 shunt compensation the variation is only 41 percent. Shunt compensated stages plotted in (B) show the relationship between time delay variation, overall bandwidth and number of stages. Delay variation across the band decreases with increasing numbers of stages because of bardwidth strinkage. Time delay for a number of stages can be determined readily from curves with only knowledge of overall bandwidth and number of stages.

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FIG. 3—Time delay curves for synchronously tuned bandpass amplifiers. Time delay through single-tuned i-f amplifiers containing n stages is plotted in (A). This chart is normalized to the bandwidth of a single stage to show flattening of time delay variation across overall bandwidth when number of stages is increased. Time delay distortion of a broadband signal is smallest when a large number of cascaded stages is used. For example, variation across the band for a single stage is 50 percent while for three stages is only 19 percent. In narrow-band if strip design, therefore, it is not advantageous to make one stage the bandwidth determining stage unless the associated time delay variation as a function of overall bandwidth is plotted in (B). Only overall bandwidth and number of stages must be known to determine the overall time delay. In a strip having stages of unequal bandwidths, overall delay can be calculated by adding delays for each bandwidth.



FIG. 4—Time delay curves for stagger-tuned amplifiers. Stagger-tuned amplifiers are used when large bandwidths are required. The product of overall bandwidth and mean stage gain for a flat, staggered n-uple is the same as the gain bandwidth product for a single tuned circuit. Main advantage of this circuit is that the bandwidth shrinkage of m cascaded flat staggered n-uple is much smaller than the shrinkage which occurs in n cascaded single-tuned circuits. Time delay curves for a flat, staggered n-uple designed from tabulated values are shown in (A). The only cases which have less than the synchronously tuned delay are the flat staggered pair and the flat staggered triple. Time delay for m flat, staggered triples and pairs as functions of overall bandwidth are shown in (B) and (C). Overstaggered n-uples are sometimes used where even wider bandwidths for a given gain are required and slight dips in the bandpass can be tolerated. An overstaggered n-uple can be designed from the flat-staggered n-uple design table in (A) by leaving the individual resonant frequencies unaltered and narrowing the individual bandpasses by the same ratio. Overall bandpass will be virtually unaltered, but gain will increase proportionately. Time delay curves for over-staggered pairs and triples with one and three db dips are overall delay can be be calculated by adding delays for each bandwidth. (continued on p 90)

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FIG. 5—Time delay curves for double-tuned circuits. Main advantages of transformer coupled tuned circuits over singletuned circuits are the higher gain-bandwidth product, the steeper skirt selectivity and the lower bandwidth shrinkage with cascaded stages. Improvement in gain-bandwidth product depends on the Q ratio of primary and secondary windings and varies from $\sqrt{2}$ with equal primary and secondary Q's to 2 with one of the Q's infinite, that is, one side loaded. For a given bandwidth, selectivity curve is constant with variation of Q ratio.

Time delay curves for transitionally coupled double-tuned circuits are plotted in (A). For a single stage, only 20 percent time delay variation exists over the 3 db bandwidth as compared with 50 percent for a single-tuned stage. For three stages, however, the single-tuned delay variation is down to 19 percent while the variation in the double-tuned case is decreased to only 22 percent. High bandwidth shrinkage rate tends to flatten the delay variation across the 3-db bandwidth of a number of single-tuned amplifiers. Delay characteristics change for nontransitional couplings. Time delay curves for various degrees of coupling are plotted in (B). Quantity β is normalized to that obtained with transitional coupling



FIG. 6—Time delay curves for stagger damping. A plan for broadening the bandwidth of a number of cascaded doubletuned circuits is called stagger damping. It consists of cascaded undercoupled and overcoupled circuits. A properly designed, flat, stagger-damped n-uple has a product of overall bandwidth and mean stage gain equal to that of a oneside, loaded double-tuned circuit. Curves were based on data shown in design table

FIG. 7—Universal time delay curves. When signals are in the form of voltage pulses, amplifier delay time can be important. Pulse delay time, as defined here, is the time difference between the input and output leading edges measured at the point which is 50 percent of the peak pulse amplitude. Correlation of delay time with overall bandwidth and number of stages is accomplished in the universal amplifier delay curves at right. If the amplifier type, the number of stages, and the overall bandwidth are known, the amplifier delay time can be found directly. For example; an eight-stage synchronously tuned amplifier having an overall bandwidth of one mc produces a delay time of 0.755 µsec, while a shunt compensated video amplifier of the same overall bandwidth and number of stages has a delay of 0.48 $\mu sec.$ The curves apply only for cascaded stages or n-uples of equal bandwidth. If unequal bandwidths are used, the overall bandwidth is the sum of the delays at each bandwidth as determined separately from the universal curve. Assume that an amplifier of known time delay is required with a gain of 80 db, a bandwidth of four mc and cascaded 5654 tubes. The 100-db, 80-mc circuit with the shortest delay turns out to be the seven-stage R-C amplifier while a three-stage, stagger-damped triple gives the longest delay



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		Dimensions	
Code No.	Contacts	Mtg. Centers	Overall
24492	20	1.375	1.750
24493	30	1.812	2.187
24494	40	2.250	2.625
24495	50	2.687	3.062
24496	60	3.125	3.500
24497	7 0	3.562	3.937
24498	80	4.000	4.375
24499	90	4.438	4.812
24500	100	4.875	5.250

Plugs without Lock-Mates with above

		Dimensions	
Code No.	Contacts	Mtg. Centers	Overall
24501	20	1.375	1.750
24502	30	1.812	2.187
24503	40	2.250	2.625
24504	50	2.687	3.062
24505	60	3.125	3.500
24506	70	3.562	3.937
24507	80	4.000	4.375
24508	90	4.438	4.812
24509	100	4.875	5.250

50 CONTACT ASSEMBLY

WITH CABLE CLAMP

37 75	2448 2441 2448	1 2 2	8	70 80 90	3.56 4.00 4.43	2 0 8	
50	2448	3	1(00	4.87	5	
	Caps	for	Plugs	or	Sockets	without	
	Code No.	Co	ntacts	Hol	e Size	Mtg Ctrs (
	24537		20	Αo	r B	1.375	
	24538		30	A B	or C	1.812	
	24520		40	D	- C	2.250	



Electrical Rating

Volts ACRMS

930

1400

4.5 Amperes

.020 ohms

1000 megohms

.75 MMF

DC

1300

2000

24538	30	A B or C	1.812	2.187
24539	40	B or C	2.250	2.625
24540	50	B or C	2.687	3.062
24541	60	B C or D	3.125	3.500
24542	70	B C or D	3.562	3.937
24543	80	B C or D	4.000	4.375
24544	90	C D or E	4.437	4.812
24545	100	C D or E	4.875	5.250
		<i>a</i> 11	C1-	e.

/ 11010 0120	00010 011	
Letter	Dimension	
A	1/2" dia.	Small
В	3/4**	Small
С	$13/16 \times 1$	Medium
D	$13/16 \times 11/_2$	Medium
E	13/16 x 1-11/16"	Large

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		Dimensions	
Code No.	Contacts	Mtg. Centers	Overall
24476	20	1.375	1.750
24477	30	1.812	2.187
24478	40	2.250	2.625
24479	50	2.687	3.026
24480	60	3,125	3.500
24481	70	3.562	3.937
24412	80	4.000	4.375
24482	90	4.438	4.812
24483	100	4.875	5.250

Locks

verall

1.750

Radiometer Studies Atmosphere

RADIO ASTRONOMY techniques were used to measure atmospheric absorption, refraction and scintillation at 4,700 mc (C band). The sun served as the source of r-f energy. The measurements were made with a comparison-type radiometer using traveling-wave tubes in a trf receiver, instead of a superheterodyne circuit.

The three-stage traveling-wave amplifier used in the system, shown in Fig. 1, has a center frequency of 4,700 mc. An 800-mc bandwidth filter and a detector follow the trf sections.

A 30-cps mechanical chopper switches between the antenna and the 300-degree K black-body matched-load signal. A 16-db noise tube and suitable precision attenuator are used to check system operation and furnish temperature calibration for signals.

Output from the filter and synchronous detector is fed through the integrator unit to a recording milliammeter with a 0.5-sec time constant.

The basic advantage of the traveling-wave tube radiometer lies in its wide band. The wider band increases sensitivity of this system, since minimum detectable signal is inversely proportional to the square root of bandwidth. Therefore, the sensitivity of this unit is five times that of the 10-mc superheterodyne (actually, an effective 20 mc in this receiver, since both sidebands are used in the superheterodyne).

In initial equipment tests in 1955, this system was found necessary because, without the comparison feature, long-term drift was considerable. In the tests made with the traveling-wave tube radiometer, a peak-to-peak noise power fluctuation of the equipment corresponded to temperature changes of about one degree K for a response time of 4 sec. This compares with about 5 degrees K for a superheterodyne radiometer having the same noise figure and response time. When the gain stabilization feature (signal chopper and synchronous detector) are deactivated, long-term drift becomes severe, but the system maintains its short-term sensitivity.

Results of the refraction experiments indicate that average refraction is the same in the microwave region as in the optical region. However, results indicate that during a particular day, there might be considerable fluctuation about this average.

Amplitude scintillations detected with the antenna at a low angle are always present and can be of large amplitude with longer periods prevailing. At higher angles, the fluctuations are probably solar in origin and are of short period and small amplitude. While the origin of the scintillations is probably meteorological, no correlation of scintillation amplitude at low angles and commonly measured meteorological parameters was noted.

The absorption measurements yield a value of 0.00348 db/km.

This material was abstracted from "Absorption, Refraction and Scintillation Measurements at 4,700 Mc with a Traveling-Wave Tube Radiometer" by John P. Castelli, Jules Aarons, Carl Perioli and Joseph Casey of the Air Force Cambridge Research Center.

Auto Tachometer Uses Transistor

By JAMES COWAN

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DESIGN of an accurate electronic tachometer for automobiles involves several factors. Primary considerations include final size, ease of installation and, since the field is quite competitive, retail price.

In the transistorized tachometer described here, the vehicle battery was to be used, rather than a separate source of power. This created a problem, in that voltage in automobile electrical systems varies as much as ± 3 volts, because of motor speed and voltage-regulator seting.

A constant supply voltage was obtained in the tachometer shown in Fig. 1 by using a zener diode, D_1 , from the transistor collector to ground. This is an inexpensive yet effective way of eliminating an internal voltage source, such as is used in several other types of automobile tachometers.

The ignition waveform is used as a means of triggering the circuit. This waveform is rectified by diode

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2N378	<u> 40 </u>	-20	50	30 🤇	E DA	ICBO @ VCB = $-25v T = 25^{\circ}C0.5 Ma Max.$
2N379	-80	<u> 40 </u>	50	30 🥄		ICBO @ VCB = $-25v T = 85^{\circ}C7.5 Ma Max.$
2N380	-60		70	50		Storage Temperature
2N459	-105	60	50	30) [*] TO-3	*Mounting base temperature

 D_2 and applied to the base of transistor Q_1 .

The waveform produced by automobiles made by different manufacturers varies because of differences in point and spark-plug gap setting. Rapid acceleration also alters the waveform. Because of these differences and the large number of transients in these waveforms, resistors R_1 and R_2 and capacitor C_1 are used in the transistor base circuit to filter the waveform.



FIG. 1—Simple tachometer circuit uses zener diode to compensate variations in vehicle 12-volt system



Compact printed-circuit package makes single-unit auto tachometer possible

The positive pulse triggers transistor Q_1 , charging capacitor C_2 through the meter. Pulse repetition rate determines the amount of current through the meter. Capacitor C_2 discharges through diode D_3 .

The meter is calibrated in revolutions per minute, and final adjustment is made by resistor R_3 . The meter covers the range from zero to 6,000 rpm.

The entire tachometer is housed in a single unit. A printed circuit is used to save space and to speed assembly.

Only two electrical connections are required to install the tachchometer, which has been designed for 8-cylinder autombiles having 12-volt ignition systems.

Shot Counter Uses Strobotron

By RONALD L. IVES Palo Alto, Calif.

DURING TESTING of some new ballistic equipment, need arose for a portable, self-contained, self-powered shot and blast counter. The unit was required to be roughly directional, sensitive only to loud noises and made only of standard, easily obtained parts. A low-cost sensor was also desirable, because of the probability of destruction during tests.

These objectives were attained by using a cheap p-m speaker as a pickup, a single stage of amplification using a 1U4, a 1D21 strobotron counter actuator and an electromagnetic counter. The circuit is shown in Fig. 1.

Tests show that the cone of admittance of the p-m speaker has an included angle of about 60 degrees, with sensitivity falling off rapidly outside this zone.

Pulses produced when a shock wave hits the speaker are stepped up in voltage by a small line-togrid transformer. In the secondary circuit, positive pulses are dumped by a germanium diode, and negative pulses go to the grid of the 1U4 amplifier. Although the circuit will work with either speaker polarity, best operation is secured if the first shock wave produces a negative pulse on the 1U4 grid.

The plate of the 1U4 is connected to the inner grid of the strobotron directly and the B+ through a high resistance, producing the wellknown draw-down circuit. When input is quiescent, the grid of the 1U4 is approximately at ground potential; the plate of this tube and the grid of the strobotron are at a very low potential (about 10 volts). Therefore, the strobotron does not fire.

When a shock wave impinges on the sensor, the grid of the 1U4 is driven negative, cutting the tube off, and plate potential rises to approximately 135 volts. The control grid of the strobotron, which is directly connected to the 1U4 plate, also rises toward 135 volts, firing the tube.

The plate circuit of the strobotron is the familiar dumper circuit, apparently first described by Germeshausen and Edgerton (see ELEC-TRONICS, Feb. 1937, p 12). Here, the firing of the tube dumps the charge on the 2-microfarad capacitor from plate to ground, and because of the high series impedance (counter plus resistor), starves itself out. Recharge of the capacitor, after tube extinction, operates the electromechanical counter.

Sensitivity of the circuit to speaker vibrations and reverberations is reduced by a small capacitor shunted from the plate of the strobotron to the screen of the 1U4. This capacitor, when the strobotron fires, draws down the screen voltage of the 1U4 momentarily, desensitizing the input amplifier. Exact value of this capacitor depends upon the properties of the speaker used as a sensor. This capacitor also lowers the frequency of operation of the system appreciably.

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With no plate-screen feedback, dependable operation can be expected at rates up to 40/sec, sufficient for most automatic weapons fire. With a 0.1-microfarad capacitor, maximum operating frequency is reduced to about 5/sec.

A twisted pair is suitable for connecting the sensor to the circuit at distances less than 10 ft. From 10 to 250 ft, however, a shielded pair should be used.

When the equipment is energized,



FIG. 1—P-m speaker functions as sensor in self-contained shot and blast counter

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Addition of a second stage of amplification is, of course, entirely possible. This makes the instrument responsive to the passage of aircraft overhead, to noisy automobile engines and even to children on roller skates.

Semiconductors Provide Analog Voltage Source

By E. R. JAMES Design Engineer, Motorola, Inc., Riverside, Calif.

VARIABLE power supplies are one of the most frequently used pieces of laboratory equipment.

Although many power supplies are available on the market, their size and cost often limit their applications. Some lack precision control of the voltage output. Batteries also have disadvantages such as poor regulation and short life.

The power supply described overcomes many of the disadvantages of commercial supplies and batteries. It is compact, has low drift and ripple, is easily calibrated.

Although this supply was de-



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Pull-In Speed: Approx. 15 ms. Drop-Out Speed: Approx. 10 ms. Terminals: Pierced solder lugs; special lugs for printed circuits, taper tab (AMP #78). Shown with printed circuit terminals

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FIG. 1—Silicon transistor in precision voltage source isolates control potentiometer from output current

signed as an analog voltage source for computer circuits, it may be used in many other applications. In addition, modifications requiring less costly parts are possible where performance is not so critical.

Circuit Description

The circuit may be considered in two discrete parts—voltage supply and control element. The complete circuit is shown in Fig. 1. The voltage supply is a bridge rectifier with r-c filtering that reduces ripple sufficiently for a low-voltage, low-current device. Zener diodes provide good regulation.

The control unit uses a transistor in the grounded-collector configuration. This arrangement serves a twofold purpose. It improves linearity of the control potentiometer by lessening loading effects, and it isolates the output current from the precision potentiometer. The latter feature protects the potentiometer from accidental burnout from excess current drain.

Output impedance of the emitter follower for the voltage range considered is

$$r_o \approx r_e + \frac{R_g + r_b}{1 - \alpha_{cb}}$$

In the present application r_b is about 30 ohms, which makes $R_{g} >> r_{b}$. Therefore, the above expression can be simplified to

$$r_{\bullet} \approx r_{\bullet} + R_{\rho} \left(1 - \alpha_{cb}\right)$$

Before evaluating this expression, it is necessary to determine r_r as a function of voltage out.

$$r_{\epsilon} = -\frac{d V_{b\epsilon}}{d I_{\epsilon}} \approx \frac{k T/q}{I_{\epsilon}} = \frac{0.026}{I_{\epsilon}}$$

Since a_{σ} , is 0.96 for the transistor used in the circuit, output impedance expressed in measurable quantities is

$$r_o = \frac{260}{V_{out}} + 0.04 R_g$$

A plot of this expression is shown in Fig. 2.

From the graph (Fig. 2), it can be seen that the impedance varies from 400 to 800 ohms in the 10volt setting and from about 200 to 800 ohms in the 20-volt setting. However, restricting the use of the 20-volt setting for voltages from 10 to 20 volts, the impedance of the source can be considered as 600 ohms nominally.

Accurate calibration is provided by a ten-turn 0.1-percent potentiometer with a ten-turn dial. A calibration curve is shown in Fig. 3. After four hours, a similar curve was within 0.2 percent of the original calibration. A drift curve is shown in Fig. 4. After one hour, the drift rate is 5 millivolts per hour. Ripple is less than 5 mv.

Circuit Variations

The voltage source discussed was designed to meet a special need that of a highly accurate, stable source. Because of this, a silicon transistor and two zener diodes were used to maintain stability over a wide voltage range. If maximum stability were not the major factor, a considerable reduction in cost could be effected by using a



FIG. 2—Output impedance as a function of output voltage is shown for 10 and 20-volt settings



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FIG. 3—Plot shows output voltages for potentiometer settings on both voltage ranges



FIG. 4—Drift rate was 5 mv/hr after one hour

simple zener diode (eliminating the switching circuit) and a germanium transistor. The transistor must have a power dissipation sufficiently great to handle the load current at maximum voltage.

Another variation is possible that would materially reduce cost. This is a variable voltage supply with specified current rating. In this application, the ten-turn potentiometer may be replaced by a standard 2-watt potentiometer. The transistor could be a low-cost power transistor. For currents in excess of 20 ma, the resistor in series with the zener diode will have to be chosen so that at maximum current drain, there would be sufficient current through the zener to keep it in its regulatory region. Chokes in the filter circuit would be adjustable at higher currents to decrease d-c resistance.



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design characteristics at 25° C ambient (except where advanced temperatures are indicated)

	test conditions	min	design center	max	min	design center	max	unit
ICB0Collector Cutoff Current at 150°CBVCB0Breakdown VoltageBVEB0Breakdown VoltagehibInput ImpedancehobOutput AdmittancehrbFeedback Voltage RatiohrbCurrent Transfer RatiohFEDC BetafαbFrequency CutoffCobCollector Capacitance*RcsSaturation Resistance†hfeCurrent Transfer RatiotrRise time§tsStorage TimetfFall time	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	45 1 30 0.95 20 10 14 14	50 0.2 200 0.985 35 20 1.2 75 22 0.05 0.02 0.08	1 100 	45 1 30 0.975 45 20 20		1 100 80 1 2000 150 	μΑ μΑ V V Ohm μmho X10-6 mc μμf Ohm db μsec μsec μsec μsec

Measured at 1 mc †

† Common Emitter $\ddagger I_B = 1 \text{mA}$ for 2N337, 0.5mA for 2N338

§ Includes delay time (td)

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COMPONENT DESIGN

Small UHF Ferrite Unit Shifts Phase 360 Deg



Small physical size of phase shifter is evident here

FERRITE DEVICES capable of 360-deg phase shift in the uhf region are sometimes too lossy and bulky to be practical. But a unit developed by Electronic Communications, Inc., Timonium, Md., is only $6\frac{1}{2}$ -in. long and less than one in. square in cross-section. The 360-deg phase shift is accomplished with about one db of loss.

Basic to the design of the shifter is a folded Stripline structure as shown in Fig. 1. Each of five layers of Stripline is loaded with two 0.40 by 0.05 by 6 in. strips of TT-414 ferrite (Trans-Tech, Inc.), one on each side of the center conductor. The ferrite is a magnesium-manganese-aluminum combination with a saturation magnetization of 600 oersteds and a Curie temperature of about 100 C. To provide continuity between layers, the center conductor is folded. Total length of ferrite through which the wave must travel is 32.2 in.

The phase shifter requires a longitudinal magnetic field of enough intensity to place the operating region above resonance. For



FIG. 1—Cross-section of folded uhf phase shifter

the unit fabricated, this is supplied by a 12-in. long, $1\frac{1}{4}$ -in. diam solenoid into which the phase shifter fits easily.

Operating Characteristics

Original range of interest for the unit was 200 to 600 mc but characteristics were actually investigated from two to 2,000 mc. Figure 2 shows results obtained at 200, 400, 600 and 800 mc. Table I gives pertinent characteristics at each of these

Table I—Phase-Shifter Characteristics at Different Frequencies

Frequency in me	Insertion loss in db	Differential phase shift in deg	Magnetic-field change in oersteds	Max vswr over field range
200	1.6	360	220 - 1,500	1.8
400	1	360	430-1,250	1.45
600	1.1	360	625-1,625	1.5
800	1.4	360	730 - 1,630	1.5



FIG. 2—Phase-shifter characteristics at 200, 400, 600 and 800 mc

four different frequencies.

The phase shifter is a reciprocal device and can be used in both transmitting and receiving systems.

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COMPONENTS MINIATURIZED

DESIGNED for APPLICATION miniaturized components developed for use in our own equipment such as the 90901 Oscilloscope, are now available for separate sale. Many of these parts are similar, in most details except size, to their equivalents in our standard component parts group. In certain devices where complete miniaturization group. In certain devices where complete miniaturization is not paramount, a combination of standard and minia-ture components may possibly be used to advantage. For convenience, we have also listed on this page the ex-tremely small sized coil forms from our standard catalog.

DESCRIPTION

- A001 A006
- A007
- A008
- A012 A014
- Bar knob for 1/6" shaft. ½" high by 34" long. Fluted black plastic knob with brass insert for 1/6" shaft. 34" black plastic dial knob with brass insert for 1/6" shaft. 34" black plastic dial knob with brass insert for 1/6" shaft. 34" diameter dial 3/4" high. 34" black plastic knob. Same as no. A007 except for style. Right angle drive for 36" shafts. Single hole mounting. 1" bar dial for 1/6" shaft. Single hole mounting. 1" bar dial for 1/6" shaft. 32" high. 180° or 280° dials for clockwise or counter-clockwise rotation. 1" fluted knob dial for 1/6" shaft. 1/2" high. Same dial plates as no. A014. A015
- as no. A014. 1½'' diameter fluted black plastic knob for ½'' shaft. Knob, same as no. A007 except with ½'' diameter skirt; Knob, same as no. A007, but without dial. A017
- A018 A018 A019 A021 A050
- Miniature metal index for miniature dials.

CODE

Miniatore ideal lock. Shaft lock for Vi' diameter shaft, Vi'-32 bushing, Nickle plated brass. Shaft lock with knurled locking nut. A061 A062

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 A066
 Shaft bearing for ¼" diameter shafts. Nickle plated brass. Fits ¼4" diameter hole.

 E001
 Steatite ceramic standoff or tie-point. Integral mounting eyelet. 0.205" overall diameter.

 E201
 Black or red plastic binding post plates for No. E222, Elack or red plastic plates for two binding posts spaced ½".

 E212
 Black or red plastic plates for two binding posts spaced ½".

 E302A
 to E306A

 Stactite ceramic terminal strips. ½4" wide. Ter-minals spaced ¾" on centers. Screw type or solder type thru-terminals.

 J300-350
 to J300-2500

 Sto 2500
 microhenries. ¾" long. Diameter 0.115" to 0.297".

 M001
 Insulated universal joint style flexible coupling for ¼" dia
- MODI Insulated universal joint style flexible coupling for 1/11" dia
- M003 M004
- M005
- M006
- M008
- M017
- Insulated universal joint style flexible coupling for V_0'' dia shafts. Solid coupling for V_0'' dia, shafts. Nickle plated brass. Universal joint style flexible coupling for V_0'' diameter shafts. Inverted hubs for short length. Not insulated. Universal joint style flexible coupling for V_0'' diameter shafts. External hub for maximum flexibility. Not insulated. Universal joint style flexible coupling for V_0''' diameter shafts. Spring finger. Steatite ceramic insulation. Plastic insulated coupling with nickle plated brass inserts for V_0''' diameter shafts. Plastic insulated flexible coupling for V_0''' diameter shafts. Insulated flexible coupling for V_0''' diameter shafts. Insulated shaft extension for V_0''' .32 bushing and V_0''' shaft. For mounting sub-miniature potentiometer. M023
- M024
- 69043
- Insulated shall extension for '4'-32 bushing and '4' shaft. For mounting sub-miniature potentiometer. Locking insulated shaft extension similar to no. M023. Steatite ceramic coil form. Adjustable core. Winding space '4'' diameter by 1½'' long. Mounting 4-40 hole. Steatite ceramic coil form. Adjustable core. Winding space 0.187'' diameter by ½'' long. No. 10-32 mounting. 69044



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amplifier, eliminating the need for an output transformer) are also available to impedance ratings impossible in more conventional type units. Ratings of 115 v in diameters down to a fraction of an inch eliminate the step-down transformers and large capacitors usually found in low voltage miniature motors. For example, a 26 v motor employing a 2- μ f tuning capacitor would require only $0.1-\mu f$ capacitor at 115 v. Where required, dielectric strengths of 2,000 v can be provided. Dielectric strengths of 1,250 v between phases and to the frames are standard, even in very small frame sizes, where previously they could be achieved only with difficulty and often with a large percentage of rejections in production.

Special Tube Fins Offset Calefaction

 By C. BEURTHERET, Compagnie Francaise Thomson-Houston, Paris, France and H. G. TOWLSON, General Electric Co., Syracuse, N. Y.

CURRENTLY UNDER STUDY by the FCC is the advisability of allowing certain so-called clear-channel a-m stations to exceed the 50-kw broadcast power limit. New powers proposed are 500 kw minimum and 750 kw maximum. With higher powers, tube cooling will be more of a problem. One technique first reported in ELECTRONICS¹ makes use of novel fin design to take advantage of fundamental heat-transfer principles.

Figure 1 shows the relation between heat flow per unit area and temperature of a small metallic surface immersed in still water. Zones C and D are known as the calefaction region. In a household analogy, calefaction is illustrated by a drop of water on a hot stove where the steam prevents effective



FIG. 1—Boiling heat-transfer curve for small metallic surface in still water. Zones A, B, C and D correspond to different physical phenomena as indicated. Region beyond Q is where melting point of copper is exceeded

heat transfer of the liquid.

With a larger area, such as the cylindrical anode of a conventional water-cooled tube, steam produces an insulating layer which reduces contact of the anode with the water. The anode's melting point can then

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FIG. 2—Teeth of power tube are designed as shown

be at point S, Fig. 1, or about 200 $w/in.^{2}$.

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Figure 3 is a sketch of a Vapo-, tron with vertical fins. Tubes have also been made with horizontal fins. A third version uses a tooth-type construction combining vertical and horizontal fin concepts.

In operation, the tube is set in a



FIG. 3—Vertical-fin version of tube has this physical appearance

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(1) C. Beurtheret, Evaporation-Cooled over Tubes, ELECTRONICS, 25, p 106, Power Mar. 1952.

Turret Mounting Servo Components



Servo component turret package contains a size 11 motor-tachometer, gearhead and potentiometer

ROTATING SERVO COMPONENTS assembled in miniature turret packages require less volume and are better suited to vibration and shock than many conventional rotating component packages which line up the components end-to-end. The turret concept developed by Mechatrol, a division of Servomechanisms, Inc., Westbury, N. Y. also permits more flexible use of servo components. A single servo motor can be used to drive more than one component, each at the same or different gear ratios. The output shaft is designed for easy connection to other components or sub-assemblies.

Adding Components

The illustration shows a typical turret package containing a size 11 motor-tachometer, a gearhead, and a potentiometer, all encased in a package 5 in. long, with a nominal OD of 21 in. Other servo components, such as transistorized amplifiers and synchros, can be added as needed. Clutch and limit stops may be added at various stages of the gear train.

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PRODUCTION TECHNIQUES

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INLAID CIRCUITS, electrical conductors flush with the surface of the surrounding dielectric, are particularly useful with sliding contacts. Main applications are miniature tap switches, commutators, coding discs, cross-over switches and computer parts.

Method of producing inlaid circuits, developed by Glass Products Co., Santa Barbara, Calif., differs substantially from a technique reported here October 1, 1957. The process is basically chemical and does not require finish machining. Nodules which grow on plated silver provide the mechanical bond between the conductor and the insulating base material.

Oversized artwork master furnished by customers or prepared by Glass Products is photographed by a reducing camera onto glass. This is used to print multiple images of the circuit, in actual size, on glass plates. Plates, usually 12 by 17 inches, may contain up to 200 prints of smaller circuits, such as commutators.

Next, the following production steps are followed, as shown in the diagram:

(1) A sheet of 0.005 inch copper the size of the plate is treated with light-sensitive resist, generally containing potassium dichromate. The sheet is exposed in a vacuum frame using the plate as a negative. The exposed areas of the resist are set and the unexposed areas washed in a warm water bath.

(2) The bare copper pattern is electroplated with various metals. Metals and plating thicknesses depend on circuit requirements. A common combination is a 0.00003 inch layer of rhodium followed by a 0.002 inch layer of nickel.

The rhodium provides a smooth, corrosion-resistant final surface. Occasionally, a flash of gold is first deposited as a lubricating surface for the contact to slide on. The heavier layer of nickel gives the circuit a hard body.

(3) A layer of silver, 0.002 inch thick, goes on top. Irregular nodules on the silver grip the backing plate of plastic or metal used for the circuit board.

(4) The plated copper sheet is

DESIGN TRENDS: Padless Printed Wiring Board



Conventional printed wiring boards use a pad around component lead holes to ensure a strong solder fillet. Photo shows a conventional board flanked by miniaturized versions. 1/5th the size, developed by Photocircuits Corp., Glen Cove, N. Y. Size reduction is achieved by eliminating space required for the pads. Holes are plated through so that solder joints are made primarily inside the holes. The firm reports that experimental boards, with 40 mil holes, 40 mil conductors and 40 mil spacing between holes, passed temperature, vibration and shock tests of MIL-E-5272. Pull strength of connections is 20 pounds in 40 mil G10 board and 12 pounds in 1/32 inch XXP. Close registration between printing and hole fabrication operations is required

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(5) The sheet is placed, plated side up, on a stainless steel plate for rigidity during pressing. A thin sheet of adhesive and a sheet of dielectric material are applied, followed by backing material.

Phenolic, melamine, epoxy, or combination of these, are used as dielectrics. When a phenolic laminate is used, uncured sheets of phenolic paper are laid against the silver without adhesive. When melamine is desired, it is used uncured as the adhesive and becomes the dielectric when cured. Phenolic laminates, mylar, aluminum and many other metals have been used as circuit backing.



Sandwiches of 90 commutators each are prepared for insertion in hydraulic press

The sandwich is subjected to approximately 1,400 psi at a temperature of 305F in a hydraulic press. This forces dielectric into fillets formed by plated material and copper sheet so that the dielectric assumes the same plane as the material first plated.

(6) The processed sandwich is bathed in ferric chloride until all the copper is removed, leaving the plated conductors flush with the dielectric surface. If the rhodium layer is very thin, there is a chance it may be porous enough to allow the acid to reach the nickel. In that case, chromic acid is used since it will dissolve copper but not nickel nor rhodium. Acid will not become trapped in the dielectric (which could cause electrical leakage) due to the smooth surface given by the copper sheet.

Finally, the circuits are sawed apart and cleaned.

When an ultra-smooth surface



After pressing, copper plating base is etched away in tank

finish is required, the sheet copper is not used. A layer of copper 0.0002 inch thick is chemically reduced on optically polished glass. After masking, plating and pressing, the glass plate is pulled off and the copper etched away.

Strong cross-over connections may be made by laying up additional layers of resist and conducting material over the plated circuit at the sandwich stage. The crossovers will be under the circuit after the copper sheet is etched away. The resist pattern is applied with a silk screen.

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Wire travel speed may be varied from zero to 150 feet a minute. Machine may be set to cut a single wire. Or it will cut and strip 1 inch pieces at 8,600 per hour, 50 inch pieces at 1,970 an hour, and so on.



Blade position determines strip lengths and micrometers adjust cutting depth

Wire length is measured as the wire passes under a measuring wheel. Length is predetermined by a micrometer which controls a ratio unit. Settings are given by a chart on the cabinet.

Strip lengths are changed by shifting positions of cutting blades in a slotted block. Cutting depth is set to within 0.001 inch by micrometers mounted above and below the cutting heads. Compressed air is used to operate the cut and strip mechanism and control wire feed. Construction is modular so assemblies may be separately serviced.

Tape Programs **Board Driller**

TAPE-PROGRAMMED drill press positioning table has been modified to drill 45 to 60 holes a minute in printed wiring boards. Positioning accuracy is 0.001 inch, sufficient for automatic component insertion.

According to Jones & Lamson Machine Co., Springfield, Vt., the cycle may be set at fully automatic or jogged through 1 hole at a time. Cycle may be interrupted at any point for manual operation.

If more than 1 size hole is re-

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quired, table may be programmed to drill 1 size hole in all boards of a batch and recycle after drill change. Or, it will automatically interrupt cycle and call for drill changes on each board.

Table travel is 12 inches front to back and 20 inches side to side. Travel speed from hole to hole is 150 inches a minute.



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Their silicone-impregnated ceramic conforms to JAN-1-10 Grade L5 or better. Their ribbed construction permits coil leads to be brought under windings to lugs. No loose leads. Also permits highest "Q". Unique construction includes a new permanent tension device. No loose parts.

Like well-known Waters Phenolic Coil Forms, these new numbers come with standard bushing or



retractable type. The latter allows core to enter bushing to give more effective winding area. All numbers are designed to be stacked or have bushings on each end for double tuning.

BULLETIN (ED) covers all details about Waters Ribbed Ceramic and Phenolic Coil Forms for

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Spotlighting New Switches



Westinghouse Electric Corp. contactless limit switch



Meletron Corp. snap-action switch



The Daven Co. progressive shorting type



The Capitol Machine Co. multiposition device

SWITCHES, in their extremely wide varieties, represent a sizable portion of the components business. Manufacturers are constantly striving for new highs in controlled accuracy and reliability.

Meletron Corp., 950 N. Highland Ave., Los Angeles 38, Calif., (300) announces the Melematic, a new snap action switch suitable for use where the operating force is specific. It has a resin plastic housing and extruded terminals to prevent stripping of threads.

In production at Hydraulic Research and Mfg. Co., 2835 N. Naomi St., Burbank, Calif., (301) is the new 90,000 series pressure switch with intermediate mechanical snap action that insures trigger switching of the electrical switch element. The unit is qualified and available in pressure settings from 5 to 4,000 psi.

The Capitol Machine Co., 36 Balmforth Ave., Danbury, Conn., (302) has introduced the S-IA series of switches designed for minimum space required behind the panel and use of a No. 327 lamp. Each position has an individual lamp assembly.

A new progressive shorting type switch has been developed by The Daven Co., Livingston, N. J., (303). It shorts out every other position on the switch but the one in use. It is particularly useful in the metering of a single position or for the gathering of pertinent information on it. Switches are available as 20, 24 and 32 pole units.

Westinghouse Electric Corp., P. O. Box 2099, Pittsburgh 22, Pa., (304) now has available proximity limit switches designed for operating life to be independent of switching operations performed. Electrical output is 24 v d-e at 0.335 ampere.

The 5300 series precision switch now being manufactured by Haydon Switch, Inc., Waterbury 20, Conn., (305) is available with a full range of operating forces, from 2 to 20 oz. Terminals, molded into the plastic cover, cannot wobble or be loosened under rough usage.

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Haydon Switch, Inc. molded terminal units



Hydraulic Research and Mfg. Co. pressure switch



One-Piece Headers varied designs

GLASSEAL PRODUCTS Co., INC., 1111 E. Elizabeth Ave., Linden, N. J., has developed a new type of square and rectangular header. The completely sealed header eliminates the usual subassembly operations for electronic manufacturers who use square or rectangular cans to package their units. The new designs are available in nearly every standard size and include moat, square flange, and insert type constructions. Circle 306 on Reader Service Card.

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Decade Delay Lines lumped-constant

EPSCO COMPONENTS, 108 Cum-mington St., Boston, Mass., has developed a new lumped-constant decade delay line featuring high impedance output. The following inputs are available: 500 ohms, 1,000 ohms and 2,000 ohms. Variable from 0 to 11 μ sec, in increments of 0.1 μ sec, with rise times of 0.25 µsec. Units are provided with coaxial input and output connectors. These delay lines are reported to be ideal for research and laboratorv personnel, for work in systems' breadboarding and for general testing. Circle 307 on Reader Service Card.



D-C Millivoltmeter differential input

MILLIVAC INSTRUMENTS, P.O. Box 997, Schenectady, N. Y. The MV-37A differential input d-c millivoltmeter has a high common mode rejection ratio (1,000:1), not only on its sensitive direct ranges but also on its nonsensitive range where the input signal is being attenuated. Attenuator errors be-

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tween the two input channels are eliminated by a switching relay which inserts the same input attenuator alternately in either channel. The instrument is expected to find extensive application for computer servicing. Circle 308 on Reader Service Card.



Portable Voltmeter battery-powered

ALTO SCIENTIFIC CO., INC., 855 Commercial St., Palo Alto, Calif., announces model D-62 batterypowered portable d-c/a-c voltmeter. It can measure a-c and d-c with a maximum sensitivity of 1 mv full scale. Voltage range of the d-c unit is 1 mv to 100 v; of the a-c, 1 mv to 300 v. The D-62 has a d-c accuracy of ± 2 percent, and an a-c accuracy of ± 5 percent. Frequency range of the a-c unit is 5 cps to 200 kc. Input resistance is 10 megohins a-c and d-c. Approximate batterv life is 40 hr for the chopper and 130 hr for the voltmeter power source. Circle 309 on Reader Service Card,



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Phototube with u-v response

RADIO CORP. OF AMERICA, Harrison, N. J. The 7200 is a 9-stage multiplier phototube designed especially for the detection and measurement of ultraviolet radiation, and for other applications involving low-level radiation sources. It employs an envelope consisting of a fused-silica section and a gradedseal section. The fused-silica section transmits radiant energy in the u-v region down to and below 2,000 angstroms. Spectral response of the 7200 covers the range from about 1,800 to 6,000 angstroms. The tube has high sensitivity to blue-rich light and negligible sensitivity to red radiation. Circle 311 on Reader Service Card.



Digital Timer four-decade unit

ERIE RESISTOR CORP., 644 W. 12th St., Erie, Pa. Model 2400 is a miniature four-decade digital timer

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having a time resolution of 1 millisec and a maximum indicated time interval of 9.999 sec. Glow transfer tubes are used as decade counters and indicators. Pulses derived from a 1,000 cps tuning fork are fed to a gated amplifier which is controlled by miniature "start" and "stop" thyratrons. The thyratron gate control circuitry reduces the normal requirement of ten triodes to a total of two miniature gasfilled tetrodes. Overall dimensions of the timer are 6 in. by 7 in. by 43 in. Model 2400 is designed to meet specification MIL-T-945A. Circle 312 on Reader Service Card.



TWT Amplifiers S-band units

HUGHES PRODUCTS, International Airport Station, Los Angeles 45, Calif. The MAS-1A is an S-band periodically focused twt amplifier with power outputs of 1 kw over a frequency band of 2,000 to 4,000 mc. Peak power outputs are obtained with duty cycles up to 0.005 when operated with 1 w drive. The tube has a gain of 30 to 33 db, giving an excess of 1 kw over most the band. The type of p-m focusing field employed eliminates the solenoid, solenoid power supplies, and solenoid heat dissipation. Circle 313 on Reader Service Card.



Repeater Servo modular design

WALDORF INSTRUMENT Co., Huntington Station, L. I., N. Y., has developed a complete miniature plug-in potentiometer servo repeater system. The model W 1902 is a self-contained servo measuring ELIPOT'S newest potentiometer ... the single-turn, 1-1/16" A.I.A. diameter, all-metal series 5200... fends off 2,000 cps at 30G's, repels 10 cycles NAS 710, procedure III humidity, rides out 50G's shock and 100G's acceleration.

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Variable Toroid encapsulated

BURNELL & Co., INC., 10 Pelham Parkway, Pelham, N. Y., has announced a subminiature encapsulated variable toroid equivalent in electrical specs to the types AT-11 and AT-12 Adjustoroids. Developed especially for printed circuit and similar light weight applications, this variable toroid is completely hermetically sealed as there is no physical contact between the adjusting screw and the toroid itself. Stepless adjustment of inductance over a 10 percent range is provided and torque adjustment is such as to preclude possible strain on p-c mounting. Circle 315 on Reader Service Card.



Phase Detector 1 percent accurate

AD-YU ELECTRONICS LAB., INC., 249 Terhune Ave., Passaic, N. J. Type 205B phase detector is designed for phase measurement from 15 mc up to 500 mc, with an error of 0.05 deg or 1 percent of the dial reading. It is suitable for measuring performance characteristics of radar amplifiers, r-f cables, or other transmission nctworks where constant time delay for all frequency components is important for faithful transmission of signals. Essentially, the instrument consists of a continuously variable coaxial delay line, two step variable coaxial delay lines and a vector sum amplifier with separate amplitude adjustment. Circle 316 on Reader Service Card.



Pulse Transformer gap-firing

LEVINTHAL ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS, INC., 760 Stanford Industrial Park, Palo Alto, Calif. A new gap-firing pulse transformer is recommended for application in crowbar protective circuits to 100 kv. It is rated for a secondary peak voltage of 135 kv, a maximum pulse width of 0.5 μ sec, and a maximum duty of 0.002. The turns ratio is 1 to 15, step-up polarity-inverting. Circle 317 on Reader Service Card.



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Stretch Cable silicone type

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Rare Earth Ferrite for microwave use

MICROWAVE CHEMICALS LABORA-TORY, INC., 282 Seventh Ave., New York I, N. Y., is now producing YIG, yttrium-iron garnet. It has extremely low loss characteristics and is said to have a lower noise factor than ferrites currently available. YIG has a ferrimagnetic resonance line-width of 55 oersteds at 9,000 me and 30 oersteds at 3,000 me. Saturation magnetization is also very low. Applications include isolators, rotators, and paramagnetic amplifiers. Company's present commercial production of YIG can be had in either rectangular or cylindrical shapes. Circle 320 on Reader Service Card.



Thyratron new lug base

NATIONAL ELECTRONICS, INC., Geneva, Ill. A new 2.5 ampere d-c thyratron (NL-710L) is an argonmercury vapor type with the new lug base. The spade terminals of the lug base make positive contact and eliminate socket heating and associated troubles. Ratings are: filament volts, 2.5; filament current, 9 amperes; anode current, 2.5 amperes d-c; peak anode current, 30 amperes; and peak inverse and forward volts, 1,500. Circle 321 on Reader Service Card.



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Decimal Counter transistorized

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MATERIALS

Radioactivity Absorbers. Nuclear-Chicago Corp., 229 W. Eric St., Chicago 10, Ill. A packaged set of radioactivity absorbers, consisting of 24 lead and aluminum disks, is described in a new specification sheet. Circle 331 on Reader Service Card.

COMPONENTS

Bobbinless Wire Fixed Resistors. Chicago Telephone Supply Corp., Elkhart, Ind. Two-page data sheet 171 gives new detailed comparative data report on a line of bobbinless precision wire fixed resistors. It describes and illustrates 20 rectangular and tubular resistors including cutaway section picturing the new floating element construction. Circle 332 on Reader Service Card.

Capacitors. Vitramon, Inc., P. O. Box 544, Bridgeport 1, Conn. A four-page brochure illustrates and describes the company's complete line of capacitors. It shows how the manufacturing process of bonding the vitreous enamel dielectric to fine-silver electrodes results in superior performance. Circle 333 on Reader Service Card.

Electrolytic Capacitors, Illinois Condenser Co., 1616 N. Throop St., Chicago 22, Ill. A four-page catalog gives complete data on the type SMT subminiature tubular electrolytic capacitors including voltage range and temperature ranges. Listed in simple chart form, the information is easy to use for reference. Circle 334 on Reader Service Card.

Semiconductor Products. Texas Instruments, Inc., P.O. Box 312, Dallas, Tex. A new six-page folder gives complete technical specifications for a wide line of semiconductor products. Included are silicon and germanium transistors, silicon diodes and rectifiers, precision film resistors, solid tantalum

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Control Reactor Manual. Chicago Magnetic Control, 1616 N. Damen Avc., Chicago 47, Ill. A 32-page manual illustrates and describes 48 job-rated control reactors. Sensitivity range, circuit design and control/output ratios are covered. Circle 336 on Reader Service Card.

Metal Fabricated Products. Electronics Division, Van Norman Industries, Inc., 186 Granite St., Manchester, N. H. A 20-page catalog of metal fabricated products contains the newly designed Insuline line of electronic housings. Circle 337 on Reader Service Card.

Power Units. Syntron Co., Lexington Ave., Homer City. Pa., has published a new selenium rectifier a-c to d-c power unit catalog. Complete data and specifications are contained in the profusely illustrated 10-page booklet. Circle 338 on Reader Service Card.

Tubeless D-C Power Supply. Sorensen & Co., Inc., Richards Ave., South Norwalk, Conn., has available a technical data sheet describing their model MA28-125 tubeless d-c power supply. The unit discussed has an output of 0-125 amperes over a regulated voltage range continuously variable from 18 to 36 v d-c. Circle 339 on Reader Service Card.

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Resistor Testing. Mcpco, Inc., Morristown, N. J., is offering an illustrated 20-page brochure, entitled "Factual Resistor Reliability," which describes in detail the nondestructive conditioning and testing procedures used on the company's line of high reliability precision resistors. Circle 340 on Reader Service Card.

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Ling Acquires Sixth Firm

Acquisition of United Electronics Co. of Newark, N. J., makes the sixth wholly owned subsidiary taken on by Ling Electronics, Inc., Culver City, Calif., in the past two years.

Announced purchase price was \$750,000 paid in cash and 65,000 shares of common stock of Ling. In return, Ling acquired all of United's common stock.

Top management of two firms gathered following completion of the transaction are (above, 1 to t): James J. Ling, chairman, Ling board of directors; John R. Beers, United vice-president in charge of research and engineering: Charles A. Rice, president of United, and Cameron G. Pierce, president of Ling.

United Electronics is a 23-yearold company involved in design of high-energy, special-purpose thermionic tubes and fixed and variable ceramic vacuum capacitors. Its proprietary products are used in radar, physiotherapy, radio frequency power, radio transmission and ultrasonic instrumentation applications.

Ling Electronics is a pioneer in the design and manufacturing of high-power, electronically driven systems for random, complex and sine wave vibration testing. These systems include high-power vibration generators, systems consoles and other specialized equipment necessary to duplicate in laboratory testing the intense vibrations encountered by jet aircraft, missiles and rockets in flight. The parent company recently moved from its former Los Angeles location into a large new manufacturing plant and offices in Culver City. The plant covers 38,400 sq ft of floor space and represents an investment in excess of \$500,-000. Besides providing increased floor space for assembly line and specialized manufacturing operations, the new headquarters houses engineering, stock room and warehouse facilities, research laboratories, and offices for engineering and administrative personnel.

Maryland Firm Expands

TO **PROVIDE** additional space for its manufacturing activity, Aircraft Armaments, Inc., Cockeysville, Md., has leased a newly constructed building in Towson. Designated as Annex F, the new building is the sixth annex acquired by the organization since moving into its main plant in September 1954.

Brauer Joins Fansteel

HOWARD H. Brauer has joined Fansteel Metallurgical Corp. as staff assistant to Glen Ramsey, v-p and general manager of the company's rectifier-capacitor division. His principal activities are systems and procedures in accounting, production controls, scheduling and marketing, particularly the mechanization of these procedures with punched cards.

Brauer comes to Fansteel after 10 years at Bell & Howell Co. as chief electronics engineer.

U.S. Edcor Moves To Phoenix

THE ENTIRE administrative and manufacturing facility of U.S. Electronics Development Corp. recently moved from Glendale, Calif., to Phoenix, Ariz. The new 35,000 sq ft plant is devoted entirely to the research engineering and production of electronic capacitors for commercial, industrial and military use.



General Devices Names Director

WALTER C. JOHNSON (pictured, left) chief consultant of General Devices, Inc., Princeton, N. J., is appointed a director of the company, as announced by its president, John Brinster (right).

General Devices specializes in multichannel instrumentation devices, creating, engineering and manufacturing components and systems for scientific, military and industrial uses.

Collins Division Reorganizes

THE Texas Division of Collins Radio Co. has consolidated research, development, sales and manufacturing activities to concen-



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[†]Maser Action in Ruby, by G. Makhov, C. Kikuchi, J. Lambe, and R. W. Terhune. "Physical Review," Vol. 109, No. 4, p. 1399, Feb. 15, 1958.

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Navy Presents High Award

THE Navy Certificate of Merit, one of its highest honors, was recently awarded the Cooke Engineering Co., Alexandria, Va. Nelson M. Cooke (pictured, right), company president, accepted the award from Rear Admiral A. G. Mununa, acting for the Secretary of the Navy.

Specifically, the award was granted for the successful accomplishment of the emergency "turnkey" project of effecting the systems design, planning, provisioning, installing, "checking-out", and turning over to the Navy an extensive radio communications facility at Londonderry, Northern Ireland. The entire project was completed in six months.

Hull Elected EIA President

AT ITS RECENT 34th Annual Convention in Chicago, the Electronic Industries Association elected David R. Hull president.

A vice president of defense programs of the Raytheon Mfg. Co., Waltham, Mass., Hull succeeds W. R. G. Baker, who retired last



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year as vice president of General Electric Co. and this year concluded his second term as EIA president.



Scal Appointed General Mgr.

ROBERT SCAL (picture), vice president and chief engineer of R/S Electronics Corp., Palo Alto, Calif., a subsidiary of Regan Industries, Inc., has been named to assume the duties of general manager of the subsidiary.

R/S Electronics manufactures electronic equipment for military and industrial uses, including a full line of i-f amplifiers for missile, radar, and aircraft installation.

Scal joined the Regan subsidiary in 1954 as chief engineer, after serving for seven years as chief of the Radar Miniaturization Unit of the Electronics Div., National Bureau of Standards.

FEC Transfers Myron Bakst

APPOINTMENT of Myron Bakst as project manager for the White Alice integrated civilian-military communications system in Alaska has been announced by F. H. Lanahan, president of Federal Electric Corp., Paramus, N. J.

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and maintained by FEC, where he was assistant project manager. The DEW Line is a chain of radar stations extending 3,500 miles from Point Barrow, Alaska, to Baffin Island.



Camden Firm Elects V-P

IN Camden, N. J., Magnetic Metals Co., manufacturers of electromagnetic core products for the transformer industry, has elected Donald O. Schwennsen (picture) vice-president. With the company since 1956, his new duties will include both engineering and managerial responsibilities.

Organize New Company

THE Adams-Russell Co., Inc., Cambridge, Mass., was recently formed by Gerald J. Adams, Lindsay Russell and Oliver H. Straus.

Adams has been a project manager and group head at Hycon Eastern, Inc. of Cambridge for the last three years. For the preceding eight years he was senior engineer at Alford Consulting Engineers of Boston.

Russell was formerly a project engineer at Hycon Eastern, and was also a project engineer at Alford Consulting Engineers from 1951 to 1956.

Straus was also at Hycon Eastern, Inc. as a vice president. Prior to

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that he was a director of the company and assistant to the director of engineering at National Co., Malden, Mass.

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Plant Briefs

Syncro Corp. of Oxford, Mich., manufacturer of power tools, has expanded into the field of capacitors and LC coils with the building of a new plant in Hicksville, Ohio.

Aerolab Development Co., Pasadena, Calif., recently acquired a new building with 15,000 sq ft of floor space adjacent to its main plant. New facilities will be used for design and manufacture of high altitude research missiles.

Electronics Corp. of America, Cambridge, Mass., has established an affiliate in Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. New firm, Electronics Corp. Pan America, will manufacture industrial electronic controls for the transportation industry.

News of Reps

Four newly appointed reps will handle electronic test equipment for Telectronics Laboratory, Inc., Westbury, N. Y. Reps and their territories are:

Broger Instrument Sales Co. for New England; W. K. Geist Co. for southern California, Arizona and New Mexico; George F. Landfear Enterprises for New Jersey and metropolitan New York; and Ohio Instrument Co. for Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia and western Pennsylvania.

American Microphone Mfg. Co., a division of GC-Textron, Inc., names two new reps. The Robert W. Peters Co. will cover Ohio, West Virginia and western Pennsylvania. Stan Chuphf & Associates are appointed for Colorado, sonthern Idaho, eastern Montana, New Mexico, Utah, Wvoming, and El Paso County, Texas.

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NEW BOOKS

Electronic Designers' Handbook

By R. W. LANDEE, D. C. DAVIS, AND A. P. AL-BRECHT.

McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., New York, 1957, 1,048 p, \$16.50.

THE authors of this addition to McGraw-Hill's handbook library have directed their efforts to students and practicing engineers in the electronic field.

The book is divided into 23 sections and in size, format and general content is very similar to F. E. Terman's "Radio Engineers' Handbook". The first seven sections of the new handbook cover the subjects of general design, data, vacuum tubes and transistors, voltage amplifiers, power amplifiers, modulation, oscillators and receivers. The new material covers transistors, design problems arising from the need for circuits to handle pulses, suppressed-carrier and single-side-band generation, backward-wave and phase-shift oscillator circuits and the more sophisticated band-pass involving flat-staggered circuits tuning.

Noise—In the section on receivcrs, the discussion of noise is more extensive than that found in many textbooks. In this same section there is also an excellent discussion on tube and crystal mixers together with illustrative examples to bring out the important points.

The following five sections on multivibrators, variable delay circuits, trigger circuits, sawtooth generators, clippers, limiters and clamps, point up the tremendous growth in pulse and digital techniques.

Of the sections on inductively coupled circuits, transformers and chokes, power supplies, filters, attenuators and equalizers, the section on transformers and chokes is notable in that it presents a comparatively complete treatment of the design of low-power iron-core transformers and chokes. The section on filters presents graphical performance data for constant-k and m-derived filter sections having dissipation.

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Comments about the conflict between symbols for transistor and gated rectifier (June 20, p 158 and Aug. 1, p 159) raise a question of great concern to the circuit designer, since circuit diagrams must be clearly understood in order to fulfill their purpose.

The rapid pace of progress in this field leaves the engineer short of symbols, short of standards, and short of breath in keeping up with the advance of technology.

The fountainhead of information in this matter is made up of the Institute of Radio Engineers, American Institute of Electrical Engineers, American Standards Association, and the office of standardization of the Department of Defense. All these groups have cooperated to prepare the military standards known as "Mil Spees." The military standard for graphical symbols is MIL-STD-15A. It is mandatory for all government contracts.

This standard shows this symbol for a tetrode transistor



and this for a pentode transistor.



Obviously the gated rectifier symbols used by ELECTRONICS, as well as that proposed by Messrs. Frenzel and Gutzwiller (Comment, June 20) infringe on the ones already approved by MIL-STD-15A for special transistors.

Mil spees have not caught up yet with the gated rectifier, and no official symbol is available now for this device.

Whatever modification is made to the standard rectifier symbol in order to represent a control gate terminal, it should not be made to resemble a transistor. A transistor is a current amplifier, a rectifier is not; and their symbols should re-

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My suggestion is a symbol along these lines:



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John J. Rivera Federal Telecommunication Laboratories Belleville, N. J.

Reader Rivera's letter came into

our office before we had a chance to print the reasoned and definitive discussion of the problem by S. K. Ghandhi of IRE's semiconductor symbol group (Comment, Ang. 1, p 159). Reader Ghandhi made clear in his letter the philosophy of IRE in setting up symbol standards:

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The symbols suggested by Mr. Rivera in the last pragraph of his letter seem to be based more on theory than on physical properties.

An Error in Authorship

My name appeared as one of the co-authors of the article "New Intermetallics Offer Wide Infrared Response" (July 4, p 48). Since I did not actually make any contribution to this article, I would appreciate a notice deleting my name as author.

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