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SPUTNIK REVISITED. On October 4, 1957, Earth got a new moon and the American public got a rude shock. The success of Sputnik I signaled that Soviet science was a force to be reckoned with and that U. S. science and engineering had better look to its laurels.

Now we have spent two years and untold billions to advance our technology and where are we? Our only operational intercontinental missile is a 600-mph air breather, many of our point-defense missiles are ready for the scrap heap with no adequate successor in production. And engineering college enrollments are down about 11 percent for next September.

There are observers who feel that our post-Sputnik whirl was full of sound and fury signifying nothing, that our research and development dollars bought precious little research and developed only more of the same tired old hardware.

Dean Watkins, Palo Alto educator and businessman, is not impressed by much of our R&D effort. He tells why in his article, "More R for Defense R&D?", beginning on p 32.

TROUBLE IN PARADISE. Electronics parts distributors are enjoying their best year but many see trouble on the horizon.

One worry is foreign-made electron tubes, principally Japanese. Right now, some distributors are getting a much higher markup on these items than on comparable domestic products. The situation is potentially dangerous. It's only a matter of time before some distributor, or group of distributors, starts off a price war.

The do-it-yourself tube-checking craze is growing to substantial proportions. And the paths by which tubes get to drugstore and supermarket shelves cause many a raised distributor eyebrow.

Midwestern Editor Harris got onto the trail of these and other stories at the recent Parts Show in Chicago. Some additional digging by Associate Editor Emma in New York helped wrap up the complete package. See p 42.

Coming In Our June 26 Issue . . .

INTEGRATED CIRCUITS. Some of the most exciting developments in our industry are in the field of microminiaturization. They're still young in concept, but apparently integrated semiconductor devices incorporating active and passive elements will someday handle many functions now performed by conventional circuits. Next week, RCA's J. T. Wallmark and S. M. Marcus describe some new devices with incredible packing densities of 10[°] parts per cubic foot.

INFRARED VIDICON. Most infrared search equipment employs a single-cell infrared-sensitive detector. This requires a complex arrangement of motors, mirrors and cams to scan a given field of view. To increase sensitivity without increasing the amount of electroncs involved many difficult problems must be solved. H. Dubner, J. Schwartz and S. Shapiro of Avion Division of ACF Industries describe techniques which utilize the vidicon principle.

RADIATION MONITOR. Use of radioactive isotopes as tracers in the petroleum industry often involves monitoring the radiation level of flowing liquids or gases over long periods of time. In many instances the environment imposes severe stress on the instrumentation. F. E. Armstrong and E. A. Pavelka of the Bureau of Mines in Bartlesville, Okla., have devised a battery-operated radiation monitor with provision for driving a 1-ma circular chart recorder under the adverse environmental conditions imposed by oil-field research.

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For severe environment microwave applications investigate the advantages of Eimac ceramic-metal reflex klystrons.



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BUSINESS THIS WEEK

ELECTRONICS NEWSLETTER

- SUBMARINE DETECTION SYSTEM for Navy planes has been developed by Loral Electronics, Bronx, New York. The system gives the pilot a visual presentation of his position relative to the sub's position. Submarine movement data is obtained by detection devices inside and outside the aircraft and fed to a fully transistorized plotter in the cockpit. Meanwhile, a navigation system feeds the aircraft's track to the plotter, which then shows direction and distance between plane and sub. Loral's contracts for plotters, navigation gear and display systems amount to \$32 million. Production contract for an integrated display system for \$5 million may be announced soon.
- ASH, a snifter detector that reacts to diesel fumes, will enable Navy patrol craft to literally smell out enemy subs. JEZEBEL extra-long-range sonar is another airborne device. ASW planes will also carry radar, low-light-level tv, sonobuoys, infrared and microwave receivers.
- LONGEST ONE-HOP SSB TROPO SCATTER communications system, some 600 miles across water from Baffin Island to Greenland, will use up-converter type varactor diode parametric amplifiers for receiver improvement. System under construction for TTY and voice communication is part of DEW-Line extension called DEW-East (ELECTRONICS, p 11, June 5). Tests on Air Force prototype, spanning 640 mi from Lincoln Lab's Millstone Hill, Mass., site to Sauratown Mountain, N. C., showed paramp gave average improvement of 2 db over original design, allowed tuning over 100 mc bandwidth. GE is shooting for December '59 delivery of first production models to Far North.
- NAVY'S EAGLE AIR-TO-AIR MISSILE for fleet defense indicates the trend to a greater electronics portion of total missile cost. About 75 percent of Eagle's cost will go for its guidance and a seeker system developed by Sanders Associates, which aims to counteract increasingly effective countermeasures. Bendix Aviation is prime contractor for the third generation missile; its forebears were Lark and Sparrow.
- PACKAGED TUNABLE L-BAND MASER SYS-TEM has been developed for field use by the military in very-long-range detection. It has been operated over an 850 to 2,000 mc range. Airborne Instruments Laboratory says a tuning range of at least two octaves can be achieved. Low-loss L-band circulator developed for the system by AIL determines usable tuning range. Voltagegain bandwidth product of 37.5 mc was measured at 1,750 mc, for a temperature of 1.5 K; at 4.2 K, a product of 20 mc was measured. Package is 38 in. wide, 6 ft high. Liquid helium supply can op-

erate 16 to 18 hours. Relay-actuated light warns when refill is needed.

- NATO EARLY WARNING RADAR contracts totaling \$19.5 million have been awarded to Britain's Marconi Co. and the French Compagnie Generale de Telegraphie sans Fils. The two had announced in October 1957 that they would collaborate in preparing proposals for NATO radar equipment. Besides the supply and installation of gear at all stations in the early warning chain, the two companies will also train personnel and aid in maintenance of the stations. Of the contract total, Marconi gets about \$14 million, CSF the rest.
- **RADAR FOR BMEWS** (Ballistic Missile Early Warning System) in the Far North will be inspected and checked out in a full-scale domeshaped working model of part of a BMEWS installation under construction in Moorestown, N. J. RCA, the weapon systems contractor, says the base of the 15-story high structure will contain high-power transmitting gear and high-speed conputers for calculating speed and direction of approaching ballistic missiles. Six-sided, 140-ft diameter plastic radome will contain an antenna for target tracking.
- Navy has named Sperry Gyroscope as navigation systems manager for the new 608-class Polaris, with authority to design, draw up specs, integrate, deliver, install and to buy gear from other firms. At the same time, Sylvania received a prime contract for development of communications systems for the Polaris program. Both contracts were called in the "multimillion dollar" category.
- TITAN ELECTRONIC SENSOR that detects the presence of liquids, and any change from liquid to gas, will be produced by Bendix Aviation's Pioneer-Central division under contract from Martin-Denver. Unit consists of a light switch with light source, optical prism, solar cell, miniaturized transistor amplifier and a relay. Device is used as a liquid flow control signal for missile ground support equipment.
- B-70 INSTRUMENT SYSTEM for in-flight monitoring of high-thrust engines will be manufactured by John Oster Manufacturing Co.'s Avionics division, Racine, Wis., under a subsystem contract from North American Aviation. System is said to provide the pilot with instantaneous and constant visual checks on the performance of all six of the B-70's jet power plants.
- F-101B WEAPON SYSTEM SIMULATORS will be built by Melpar Inc. under a \$7-million contract just awarded by the Air Force. Prototype has already been shipped to Otis AFB, Mass. The subsidiary of Westinghouse Air Brake will also perform installation and maintenance.

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Arc Resistance, seconds (ASTM D495-56T) 8	0

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WASHINGTON OUTLOOK

THE AIR FORCE plans to clamp new controls on procurement contract pricing in reaction to charges of "overpricing" in recent procurement.

New controls will mean tighter verification by contracting officers of price proposals and cost estimates submitted by contractors. The Air Force is also expected to take a more active role in price negotiations between prime and subcontractors.

The General Accounting Office had charged that "deficiencies" in Air Force contracting have resulted in the "negotiation of unreasonably high prices." In a special report to Congress, GAO cited 14 individual cases with total "over-charges" of \$30 million, recommended that the Air Force tighten up control over cost estimates made by contractors.

• The publicity generated by GAO's charges has ruled out any chance for Congressional liberalization of the Renegotiation Act. The proposed four-year extension of the law, already passed by the House, does not include the exemption for incentive-type contracts sought by defense producers.

The extension does include a token provision, however, directing the Renegotiation Board to take into account as a factor in determining "excessive" profits the type of procurement contract involved. The House-approved bill also makes it easier for contracts to appeal Renegotiation Board decisions.

There had been talk about a Senate drive to insert the incentivecontract exemption. Now, with all the allegations of overcharging on defense contracts, it's likely that efforts will be made to tack new restrictions on to the law.

President Eisenhower, who recently referred to the "munitions lobby," is peeved by the political pressures which are increasingly brought to bear in military decisions. He's concerned that factors other than purely military considerations are playing a part in the selection of contractors, the scheduling of weapon projects, and the like.

On a similar tack, Congress will shortly begin a probe into the increasing employment of retired senior military officers by defense contractors for executive slots. There are many statutes and Pentagon rules which now restrict the role of such people in the negotiation of military contracts.

But now a House Committee plans to go over the problem, to see whether the restrictions are being observed and whether "conflicts of interest" exist.

All this adds up to a new Washington climate more antagonistic to the interests of military contractors than ever. The upshot will be a resurgence of Congressional efforts to keep closer tabs on defense profits and to push for tighter policing by the Pentagon of all rules governing defense contractor operations.

• We are far ahead of the Russians in electronics, says James M. Bridges, director of electronics, Office of the Director of Defense Research and Engineering. "And with continuing work," adds Bridges, "we'll stay in the lead."

He spoke at the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association's 1959 convention here recently. More than 130 exhibits and displays were featured at the three-day gathering. Attendance totaled 3,800, almost 1,000 more than last year.

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							Max at Elev	ated Temps (50 C)
Туре	Case Type	PIV	v _z	Min DC Fwd I @25°C ma at Iv	Мах LI _b @25°С µа	P @25°C mw	Ambient Temp °C	Li _b † µa	P
1645	N	225	275	400	0.2	600	100	15	
1N645	N	225	275	400	0.2	600	100	15	
646	N	300	360	400	0.2	600	100	15	
647	N	400	480	400	0.2	600	100	20	
1N647	N	400	480	400	0.2	600	100	20	
648	N	500	600	400	0.2	600	100	20	
1N648	N	500	600	400	0.2	600	100	20	
649	N	600	720	400	0.2	600	100	25	
1N649	N	600	720	400	0.2	600	100	25	
600C	M	27	30	3	I @ -10v	150	100	2044 - 10v	40
501C	М	45	50	10	0.025@-10v	150	150	40(a - 10)	40
504C	M	4.7	5.5	60	01	150	150	40	40
806C	M	6.8	7.5	35	0.1	150	150	40	40
608C	М	. 10	11	25	0.1	150	150	40	40
610C	M	15	17	20	0 1	150	150	40	40
612C	M	22	25	20	0 1	150	150	40	40
614C	М	33	37	20	0.1	150	150	40	40
516C	М	47	52	10	0.2	150	150	40	40
518C	M	68	75	10	0.2	150	150	40	40
520C	М	100	110	10	0.2	150	150	40	40
22C	M	150	170	7	0.2	150	100	20	40
624C	M	220	250	3	0.2	150	100	20	40

At PIV except for types 600C and 601C

GH CONDUCTANCE SILICON DIODES

	Typ	Min Sa Volts 6	turation i: 100µa	Av Rect Fwd	Recurrent Peak Fwd I	Р
Туре	Case	PIV	@ 25°C	I @ 25°C ma	@. 25°C ma	@ 25°C
N482	N	30	40	125	400	500
N482A	N	30	40	200	650	500
N483	N	60	80	125	400	500
N483A	N	60	80	200	650	500
N484	N	125	150	125	400	500
N484A	N	125	150	200	650	500
N485	N	175	200	125	400	500
N485A	N	175	200	200	650	500
N486	N	225 .	250	125	400	500
N486A	N	225	250	200	650	500
N487	N	300	330	125	400	500
N487A	N	300	330	200	650	500
N488	N	380	420	125	400	500
NARRA	N	380	320	200	650	E00

LICON COMPUTER DIODES

уре	Case Type	PIV	V _z	Max T _R @-25°C µsec	Max Llb @ 25°C µa	e 25°C ma	Min Ib @ 1v ma	Typ Cap (d) 25°C f = Imc VR = -12v $\mu\mu f$	Max Ltb PIV 100°C µa
1659	N	50	60	0.3	5	100	6	2.7	25
1660	N	100	120	0.3	5	100	6	2.7	50
1661	N	200	240	0.3	10	100	6	2.7	100

IOTO DEVICE

уре	Bias Voltage V max	Dark Current 25°C ±50v max µa	Dark Current @ 100 C ±50v max #3	*Typ Light Current @ 25°C @ ±10v #3	•Typ Sensitivity @ 10v h/mw/cm ²
12175	50	0.5	100	200	22.3
Light current micron.	measured in terms	of radiation. R	adiation = 9 mw/	cm ² in a frequency	bandwidth of .7

LICON RECTIFIERS - ECONOMY PACKAGE

	Type		1	0	Recurrent	Dynamic Forward Voltage	Dynamic Reverse
Type	Case	PIV	25°C	100°C	Current @ 25°C	Drop @ 100°C v @ ma	Current @ 100°C ma @ v
N2069	W	200	750	500	6	0.6 @ 500	0.2 @ 200
N2070	W	400	750	500	6	0.6 @ 500	0.2 @ 400
N2071	W	600	750	500	6	0.6.6.500	0 2 60 600

POWER REGULATORS AND DOUBLE ANODE CLIPPERS

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	Type	Zener		Power Diss	Re Cu	verse rreni Lib	max Z _z @25°C	Typ Temp					
Ture	ase	Voltage	1 _z	@160°C	25	С µа 🚽	61,	Coef					
Type	U O	10.25°C	ma	W	(a) − 5v	@-10v	ohms	%/°C					
1N1816	R	13	500	10	25		2	0.07					
1N1817	R	15	500	10	15	-	2	0.07					
1N1818	R	16	500	10	10	_	3	0.07					
1N1819	R	18	500	10	10		3	0.07					
1N1820	R	20	250	10		10	3	0.08					
1N1821	R	22	250	10	in the second	10	3	0.08					
1N1822	R	24	250	10	_	10	3	0.08					
1N1823	R	27	250	10		10	3	0.08					
1N1824	R	30	250	10	direction of the second s	10	3	0.08					
1N1825	R	33	150	10		10	4	0.08					
IN1826	R	36	150	10	_	10	5	0.09					
1N1827	R	39	150	10		10	5	0.09					
1N1828	R	43	150	10		10	6	0.09					
1N1829	R	47	150	10		10	7	0.09					
1N1830	R	51	150	10	1.2	10	8	0.10					
1N1831	R	56	150	10		10	9	0 10					
IN1832	R	62	50	10		10	12	0 10					
IN1833	R	68	50	10		10	14	0.10					
1N1834	R	75	50	10		10	20	0 11					
1N1835	R	82	50	10	_	10	22	0.11					
1N1836	R	91	50	10		10	26	0.10					

Suffix A (±5% Tolerance) Suffix C (Double Anode Clipper)

VOLTAGE REGULATOR DIODES

Туре	Case Type	Zener Voltage @25 C*	Max Po 25°C m	Totat wer w 150°C	Ζ ₂ max ohms
1N746†	N	3.3	400	100	28
1N747†	N	3.6	400	100	24
1N748†	N	39	400	100	23
1N749†	N	4.3	400	100	22
1N7501	N	4.7	400	100	19
1N751†	N	5.1	400	100	17
1N7521	N	5.6	. 400	100	11
1N753†	N	6.2	400	100	
1N754 t	N	6.8	400	100	5
1N755†	N	7.5	400	100	6
1N756†	N	8.2	400	100	8
1N757+	N	9,1	400	100	10
1N758t	N	10	400	100	17
1N759†	N	12	400	100	30
650C	M	3.7 4 5	150	40	50
651C	M	4 3 5 4	150	40	
652C	M	52 6.4	150	40	
653C9	M	6 2 8.0	150	40	
6:409	M	8595	150	40	
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15uffix A (±5% Tolerance) SILICON RECTIFIERS

	Type			٩v		l ₀	Recurrent Peak Current	Eb	LID PIV
Туре	Case	Mounting	25°C	V 150°C	25°C	m a 150°C	65°C to+150°C m a	@ 25°C	@25°C
1N588	0	Axial	1500	1000	25	10	150	10(a 10m a	50
1N589	0	Axiat	1500	1000	50	25	250	8(a 50m a	50
1N1130	P	Cathode Stud	1500	1000	300	150	1 a	1560 3	50
1N1131	Ρ	Anode Stud	1500	1000	300	150	1 a	150. 3	50
1N538	Q	Axial	200	200	750	250	2.5a@.25°C	16 5	10
1N539	Q	Axial	300	300	750	250	2 5a(425°C	10. 5	10
1N540	Q	Axial	400	400	750	250	2.5a(a 25°C	162.5	10
1N1095	Q	Axial	500	500	750	250	2.5a(425°C	160.5	10
1N1096	Q	Axial	600	600	750	250	. 2.5a(0'25°C	1(0.5	10
1N1124	R	Cathode Stud	200	200	3 a	1 a	10a(a 50°C	1.16.1	10
1N1125	R	Cathode Stud	300	300	3 a	1 a	10a (a 50°C	1.101	10
1N1126	R	Cathode Stud	400	400	3 a	1 a	10a(a 50°C	1.10.1	30
IN1127	R	Cathode Stud	500	500	3 a	la	10a6/ 50°C	1.161	10
1N1128	R	Cathode Stud	600	600	3 a	1 a	10a6 50°C	1.16.1	10
1N1124R	R	Anode Stud	200	200	3 a	1.a	10a@ 50°C	1 1(a)1	10
1N1125R	R	Anode Stud	300	300	3 a	1 a	10 a 64 50°C	1.1(a)	10
1N1126R	R	Anode Stud	400	400	3 a	1 a	10 a @ 50°C	1 16.1	IO
1N1127R	R	Anode Stud	500	500	3 8	13	10 a @ 50°C	1 161	10
1N1128R	R	Anode Stud	600	600	3 a	1 a	10a@50°C	1.1@1	10



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More Groups Combine Forces

MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT by Lockheed Aircraft and Stavid Engineering, Plainfield, N. J., reveals the two firms will join forces by early this summer.

A Lockheed official says his firm, which specializes in aircraft and missiles, is ideally suited for combination with Stavid, which specializes in military electronics.

Spokesmen for both firms anticipate the merger will improve their position in competing for contracts. Acquisition of Stavid by Lockheed will be on the basis of $2\frac{1}{2}$ shares of Lockheed stock for each share of Stavid. Preliminary approvals have been granted, subject to legal and stockholder endorsements.

The aircraft and missile firm, currently employing some 56,500 persons, had 1958 sales of \$962,-697,000, one-third of which was in missiles and space vehicles. Its total assets at year's end were \$508,479,000 and net worth \$136,-643,000.

Stavid, employing about 1,000 people, recorded sales of \$11,277,-000 last year, a fourfold increase since 1953.

• Hewlett - Packard Co., Palo Alto, Calif., has acquired the Palo Alto Engineering Co. by a stock transfer. Under terms of the acquisition, PAECO becomes a wholly-owned subsidiary of the instrument manufacturing firm. Palo Alto Engineering, which makes high-quality transformers, has an annual sales volume of over \$1.5 million. Sales growth since 1951, when the company was founded, has averaged about 30 percent a year.

• Elsin Electronics Corp., Syosset, N. Y., and Specialty Engineering & Electronics Co., Brooklyn, N. Y., have approved merger plans and will adopt the name of Specialty Electronics Development Corp. Merger will be effected through an exchange of stock, Elsin shareholders to receive one new share for each two now held, and for the partners of the second firm to receive a block of stock.

Elsin, founded in 1904, now manufactures microwave components, radar test equipment and telemetering gear. The new concern reports over \$3 million in backlog orders plus several government projects which will utilize the combined facilities of the two firms. SE&E's product line prior to the merger centered around automatic weather station equipment and dosimetry gear.

OVER THE COUNTER

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1958	BIDS	COMMON	May 2	9 Juni	e 5
LOW	HIGH	STOCKS	B1D	BID A	SKED
33/4	201/2	Acoustica Assocs	281/2	281/2	331/2
15/8	3	Advance Industries	23/4	25/8	31/4
31/8	65⁄8	Aerovox	93/4	95/8	103/4
51/z	15	Appl'd Sci Princet	91/2	81/2	101/4
11/8	8%	Avien, A	103/4	111/4	133/8
63/4	24	Baird-Atomic	301/2	28	321/2
93/4	13¾	Burndy	171/2	$17\frac{1}{2}$	193/8
63/4	9	Cohu Électronics	81/2	81/8	87/8
11	221/2	Collins Radio	33	34	37
321/2	49	Cook Electric	44	431/2	503⁄8
4	7	Craig Systems	101/4	101/2	113/4
175/8	253/8	Eastern Industries	171/8	151/2	181/8
13⁄4	83⁄8	Elco Corp	8	75/8	91/8
101/2	21	Electro Instr	261/2	26 ¹ /2	287⁄8
34	49	Electronic Assocs	41	43	481/4
5	11	Electronic Res'rch	18	171/2	193/8
8½	123/4	Electronic Spec Co	15½	16	173/4
151/4	491/2	Epsco, Inc	36	37	407/8
51/2	93/8	Erie Resistor	10	95/g	10%
10	171/2	Fischer & Porter	143%	141/8	143/4
51/z	101/2	G-L Electronics	111/4	111/2	131/8
12	27	Giannini Controls	29	271/4	307/B
		Haydu Elec Prod	41/4	31/2	51/4
30	391/2	Hewlett-Packard	431/2	43	49
231/4	48	High Voltage Eng	61	561/2	631/2
13/4	3	Hycon Mfg	31/4	33/8	37/8
11/8	51/8	Industro Trans'tor	53/4	53/4	65/8
		Internat'l Rec'f'r	271/2	271/4	303/8
	• • •	Interstate Engin'g	201/4	213⁄4	24¼/8
11/2	43/4	Jerrold	51/2	53⁄8	57⁄8
21	30	D. S. Kennedy	30	28	345/8
33/4	29	Lab For El'tronics	32	311/2	351/8
191/4	28	Leeds & Northrup	321/4	32	341/8
2	31/8	Leetronics	33/8	31/4	4
5	18%	Ling Electronics	261/4	261/4	301/2
J1/4	81/4	Magnetic Amplitters	9	93/4	101/4
27/8	41/2	Magnetics, Inc.	5%4	51/8	6 ¹ /8
4 %	20	W. L. MAXSON	134/4	123/4	14-1/8
51/2	1134	Midwortorn Instr	22	23	234/8
11/2	7	Managram Procis'a	103/	111/-	112/8
31/2	71/4	Narda Microwave	111/	11/8	125/2
374	174	Narda Illtrasonics	113/4	11	127/8
93/4	16	National Company	281/2	263/4	311/6
141/4	56	Nuclear Chicago	35	371/2	12
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113⁄8	191/2	Radiation, A	203/4	191/4	22
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MARKET RESEARCH



Tomorrow's Computer Sales

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That's the prediction of Frank W. Mansfield, Sylvania's director of market research.

Total forecast for the ten-year 1959-1968 period adds up to about \$6 billion. It includes \$4 billion of digital computers, plus \$2 billion of electronic mechanisms to increase computer capacity.

The expected \$4 billion digital computer sales break down to 995 large computers with a value of \$1,790 millions, 7,795 medium computers (\$1,170 millions) and 43,500 small computers (\$1,088 millions). Average prices used in calculating value are: large—\$1,800,000, medium—\$150,000, small—\$25,000.

Some 51,600 U.S. firms with more than 100 employees are the sole support of the industrial-commercial computer market, says Mansfield. Remaining number of firms, about 2.7 million, are too small.

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Electronic data-processing equipment sales to the Department of Defense are expected to account for an additional \$1,550 millions between 1959 and 1968. Mansfield estimates DOD sales at roughly equivalent to 25 percent of industrial-commercial sales in each year of the period. Special-type computers for the government are not included in the estimates.

FIGURES OF THE WEEK

LATEST WEEKLY PRODUCTION FIGURES

(Source: EIA)	May 29, 1959	May 1, 1959	Change From One Year Ago
Television sets	109,239	92,157	+68.2%
Radio sets (ex. auto)	250,224	255,218	+69.6%
Auto sets	122,227	117,422	+183.6%

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Standard & Poor's)	June 3, 1959	May 6, 1959	Change From One Year Ago
Electronics mfrs.	91.11	101.57	+72.5%
Radio & tv mfrs.	113.28	112.68	+137.0%
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More R for Defense R&D?

Yes, declares a university lab director and business executive who urges renewed support of academic research by Defense Department

By DEAN A, WATKINS, Director, Electron Devices Lab, Stanford U.: President, Watkins-Johnson Co., Palo Alto, Calif.

IN ITS ZEAL to impress Congress and the general public with its efficiency, the Defense Department has been spending most of its budgeted research and development funds on systems development; only a small fraction of these funds has been spent on research in support of defense technology, carried on primarily at universities. This leaves untapped a large reservoir of academic brainpower.

There has been some feeling that the Defense Department, spurred by the launching of Sputnik I, has steadily increased its support of research at university graduate schools and laboratories. This has not turned out to be the case. In fact, there has been less money available for this purpose since Sputnik I as development of missiles and satellites was accelerated.

As one observer puts it, there should be within present Defense Department R&D funds, a greater emphasis on the R and less on the D, whereas the trend has been in the opposite direction.

That the defense establishment is aware of the need became evident last April when the late Deputy Defense Secretary, Donald A. Quarles, submitted a fiscal 1960 budget request to the House Committee on Appropriations which calls for higher research spending.

Even if this latest Defense De-

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

DEAN A. WATKINS speaks from his background as director of the Electron Devices Laboratory of Stanford University and president of the Watkins-Johnson Co., Palo Alto, Calif., which is concerned with applied research, development and manufacture of microwave electronic devices. Inventor of the Helitron tube for instant radar tuning over a wide range of microwave frequencies, he is nationally recognized as a microwave tube specialist. partment budget request is granted and more money is directed towards university research, this sum will still be insignificant. It will hardly be enough to remedy the harm done in recent years to our long-term defense effort by insufficient research support. The cost of too much D and too little R has been a loss of new science and technology for the weapons of a decade hence.

Inadequate Support

It is also doubtful that Defense Department funds now spent on university research will go very far towards reversing the effects of insufficient funds on the graduate schools of our universities, where this research is carried on.

Despite the post-Sputnik hue and cry for more training in science and technology, universities have not been adequately supported to do the kind of teaching and research jobs they should.

In fact, the reduction in Defense Department support of university research has had the effect of reducing the number of graduate students in physical science and advanced engineering that institutions can turn out—this at a time when graduate enrollment in science and technology should be expanded.

This is bad business, for the Defense companies must bid higher for the services of fewer competent research scientists. The cost is passed along to the DOD in costplus-fixed-fee contract charges.

Neglecting Knowledge

A matter of far greater importance than costs is the fact that we are also neglecting the advancement of knowledge through research, which makes real advances in defense capability possible.

Electronics is one of the important areas of defense technology where this R&D imbalance will lead to future difficulties.

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Frequency Experts Eye Space

Private industry, government agencies push research toward ruggedizing atomic clocks

PREOCCUPATION with the space age's impact on frequency control keynoted the three-day 13th annual symposium on frequency control, sponsored recently by the U. S. Army Signal Research and Development Laboratory, at Asbury Park, N. J.

Research is being pushed by government agencies and private industry toward ruggedizing atomic clocks, such as the ammonia beam maser and cesium beam frequency standard (Atomichron), for service

More R for Defense R&D?

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for applied research in these categories actually went down in the year after Sputnik I. Dollar figures to support this statement are contained in classified reports. But until this year's budget request for fiscal 1960, the trend had been to even less money for supporting research.

This situation is most serious when one considers that characteristics of electronic systems—performance, power consumption, size and weight—are all pretty much determined by the electron devices they use.

We may very well be able to get a man into space with our present technology, but we must not discount the future to achieve present goals, especially when the needed research can be carried on for such a small percentage of the defense R&D budget.

At the present time, less than five percent of Defense Department R&D money goes for basic research. It is likely that the total spent on supporting or applied research in defense technology is not much, if any, greater. It should be apparent that a slight shift of emphasis will buy a large amount of insurance for the future. in satellites, missiles and space vehicles.

Present state of the art has produced developmental models of such ruggedized clocks with stability and reproducibility of 1 part in 10° or 10^{10} . Frequency control specialists are shooting for precisions of 1 part in 10^{12} .

Offer Proposals

Progress in space technology and the growing availability of satellites for experiments have encouraged a number of proposals for using super-precise clocks in space to prove or disprove certain relativistic concepts about our universe.

One of these is the theory that the laws of physics and physical constants observed in a laboratory are not independent of the position, time and velocity of the laboratory in which the constants are measured.

It has been suggested, for instance, that the gravitational constant decreases inversely as the age of the universe. This would result in a gravitational clock, such as the planetary system, running more slowly as time goes on when compared with an atomic clock.

Similarly, motion of the earth

relative to distant matter in the universe is thought to have enough interaction to cause an annual periodic variation in the period of an earth satellite of the order of a part in 10° per year.

For similar reasons, intercomparison of two different atomic clocks might reveal an annual variation of 1 part in 10^{10} . Definitive experiments are being planned.

Another proposal involving satellites calls for placing an atomic clock in orbit around the earth for the purpose of instantaneous synchronization of frequency and time of earth clocks on a world-wide basis.

What's Needed

Precise frequency control was also pointed out as being a severe requirement for communication with space probes reaching the outer fringes of the solar system and beyond.

Within the next two decades, it may be possible to send such probes considerably beyond the planet Pluto. For communicating at such ranges the receiving system on earth must have the utmost sensitivity. To accomplish this, the bandwidth must be significantly reduced.

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Distributors Air Complaints

Inventories, pricings, markups spell stormy weather—even though sales look good, say distributors at Electric Parts Show

CHICAGO—TUBES SOLD by U. S. manufacturers for the export market are reportedly winding up in the hands of domestic users. Also winding up in domestic hands, according to reports, is the ten-percent profit saved because export tube buyers do not pay excise taxes.

This is just one of several gripes being aired by electronic parts distributors, and in particular those attending the Electronic Parts Distributors Show.

Complaints on Pricing

Manufacturers and distributors report this week that sales are up over the spring of 1958.

This bright prospect is alloyed, however, by a number of grumbles on present industry practices. One of the most frequently voiced complaints concerns the spread between low prices charged to original equipment manufacturers and higher amounts demanded of distributors for the same components.

In defending price differentials, which sometimes runs as high as 20 percent, one manufacturer told ELECTRONICS: "It costs us more to sell and promote in the distributor field. The original equipment market is a smoother, easier sales area although profit margins are smaller. At any rate, this practice eventually reflects to the good of the distributor because the equipment manufacturer can sell more items which then serve to boost the replacement market."

Strong protests were also directed against the number of foreign tubes being imported into the U. S. market. This situation is allegedly complicated by the practice of some distributors who purchase tubes at export prices and divert them to domestic markets. The user pays the same for both tubes, but the seller is the one who pockets the difference.

Foreign Competition

Objections to foreign-made tubes were directed particularly at those of Japanese manufacture. One commentator said the Japanese tubes decrease employment in the American tube industry.

Current list prices on Japanese tubes are comparable to prices of

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U. S. tubes. Net prices to distributors are lower. Fears are expressed that this state of affairs is ideally suited to the precipitation of price wars, with the tubes as ammunition.

Retailers Censured

A common complaint among distributors is that the over-the-counter prices are excessive. One distributor estimates that some overthe-counter establishments sell at better than twice the amount they pay.

One improvement strongly sought by distributors centers around demands to manufacturers to set up more efficient supply lines. Distributors feel they are excessively burdened by unnecessary inventory requirements. A trade custom still in practice is for distributors to buy a year's stock at a clip to get special financial concessions from the manufacturer. This and other "loading practices" ties up capital for long periods.

Deliveries Speeded

Many manufacturers are coming up with automatic inventory controls and accelerated delivery programs to help overcome the distributors' difficulty.

Under these systems, a business machine punch card is contained in each tube carton. The card indicates tube type and quantity. The dealer, rather than writing a purchase order when he needs more stock, simply mails the accumulated cards to the manufacturer. The manufacturer in turn uses the cards to accelerate order processing, speed up delivery, and issue shipping data.

Flexible prices of tv picture tubes seem likely to remain part of the distributor's problems for some time to come. This market is old enough now for seasonal drops to be anticipated. To offset these volume fluctuations, manufacturers of picture tubes give periodic discounts which average about 15 percent but range from 10 to 25 percent.

One major manufacturer adds a 4-percent incentive discount for carload lot orders. Another, who gives all comers a $12\frac{1}{2}$ -percent discount, adds on a 1-percent allowance for promotion purposes, plus $3\frac{1}{2}$ percent more for carload lots or $2\frac{1}{2}$ percent more for truckload shipments c_{-} picture tubes.

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British Show New Transistors

Units displayed at recent exhibition point up advanced h-f and fast-switching applications

LONDON—TRANSISTOR manufacturers in Britain are producing this year at an estimated rate of more than 20 million units. Although this is far from approaching the 80 million transistors U. S. companies are expected to turn out, the British are pushing hard on improving their techniques.

At the stands at last month's International Transistor Exhibition in London were alloy-germanium transistors with dissipations up to 20 watts and lower power models with cutoff frequencies up to 20 mc. Recently introduced diffused base transistors ranged up to several hundred mc.

New on the British market also were alloy transistors of both npn and pnp types for computers. Switching times of 10 millimicroseconds were reported.

Simulates Behavior

Improved temperature ratings are available, such as the Mullard OC 200 silicon alloy junction types with junction temperature range from -50 to 150 C. Mullard is using electrical network analogs to simulate transistor behavior. Variable resistors are set in the various thermal coefficients, while other analogs determine geometric and surface effects on transistor performance.

The Royal Radar Establishment showed a high-speed shift register operating from 70 millimicrosecond pulses at a five mc repetition rate. A novel beat frequency oscillator exploits the transistor switching properties.

Two oscillators, one fixed and one variable, are used. The variable frequency source supplies a square wave current to a balanced twotransistor switching circuit. This circuit switches the fixed oscillator sine wave output to the respectiveemitters of a pair of common base amplifier stages.

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Armstrong Whitworth Aircraft Co. exhibited a transistorized analog-digital converter operating at a 50,000 per second conversion rate.

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FIG. 4—Transmitter frequency translator. Bit-rate detector consists of all blocks in the upper-two rows, except the thyratron block

Figure 2 shows the frequencyshifting relationships in a system developed for ionospheric-scatter circuits above 30 mc. Frequencyshifting relationships are the same for the receiver and transmitter.

The frequency-translation circuits of the transmitter successively shift transmitter frequency through seven frequencies. The portion of each frequency swing that is introduced by the frequencytranslation circuits is 0.8 kc. Keying of the transmitter by the spacemark information contributes the other portion.

For example, the frequencytranslation circuits set up the transmitter so that during time-interval t_1 the transmitter frequency is either that shown at point *a* or at point *b* depending on whether the transmitter is keyed by a space or a mark. Space-mark frequencies are 6-kc apart.

As the receiver frequency is also shifted, during time t_2 the receiver is sensitive only to either of the frequencies corresponding to points cand d. During time t_v the receiver is again sensitive to these frequencies, but it cannot pick up anything radiated at time t_2 because the total time interval of a cycle, t_2 to t_9 , is long enough for multipath transmission to die out.

The transmitter and receiver (Fig. 3) each contain a near-identical section called a frequency translator. Each translator produces a small frequency shift that is in step with keying information.

At the transmitter, space-mark keying information drives a frequency-shift exciter and a bit-rate detector. The detector samples the keying input to determine its basic repetition, or bit rate and produces a stepping pulse coincident with the end of each bit. Each keying pulse advances the frequency translator to the next frequency in its sequence by pulsing a thyratron ring. The ring shifts the translator through seven frequencies (Fig. 2) and then returns the translator to its original frequency.

The frequency translator of the receiver reverses the frequency shift produced in the transmitter. Thus the specific frequency that is to be received during each interval is translated to the frequency to which the receiver is tuned. All other frequencies that are picked up at the receiver antenna are rejected. The keying information which originates the receiver frequency shift comes from the receiver keying output.

To minimize fading effects, two receivers are used in a dual-diversity setup.

In its passage through the transmitter frequency-translation system (Fig. 4), the keyed-carrier frequency passes through two frequency shifts. The first shift converts the carrier frequency from the exciter to an intermediate frequency where the carrier frequency is filtered out. The second shift reconverts the i-f to the carrier frequency, plus or minus a discrete number of frequency-shift units. The i-f used is approximately 5 mc and is the difference between the carrier frequency and the 1st-mixer injection frequency, which is 5 mc below the carrier frequency. Thus, a plus-frequency shift unit added at this point results in an i-f that is 5 mc minus the unit.

In the second mixer the carrier frequency is restored by adding the i-f and the second mixer injection frequency. At this point another frequency-shift unit is added, producing the original carrier frequency plus or minus the difference between the frequency-shift unit subtracted in the first mixer and the



FIG. 5—These blocks compose portion of receiver frequency translator that differs from transmitter frequency translator

frequency-shift unit added in the second mixer. Each frequency-shift unit is 0.8 kc. and there are seven frequency shifts.

The reverse, though identical, procedure takes place at the receiver. That is, if 800 cps are added to the carrier frequency at the transmitter it must be subtracted at the receiver. In the receiver's first mixer (Fig. 5) the frequencyshifted carrier is converted to 5 mc minus the frequency-shift unit added in the second mixer at the transmitter. The original carrier frequency is restored in the second mixer by adding the frequencyshift unit that was subtracted in the first mixer at the transmitter. Thus the receiver-mixer output emerges as the received signal minus the difference which was added at the transmitter. Output frequency is the same as the frequency of the keyed transmitter exciter.

Translation Oscillators

Three crystal oscillators supply the three different injection frequencies that add or subtract in the mixers. Combinations of the injection frequencies supply the frequency-shift units.

Oscillator No. 2 generates a frequency which is one frequency-shift unit (about 0.8 kc) higher than oscillator No. 1. Oscillator No. 3 oscillates at three frequency-shift units above oscillator No. 1.

First Mixer and Gates

The keyed-carrier signal from the transmitter exciter is fed to the cathode of tube $V_{1,4}$, the first mixer in Fig. 4 and 6. The second half of the tube acts as a clamp to maintain the injection-frequency signal at a constant level.

Two sets of three diodes, V_2 to V_4 and V_{5} to V_{7} , constitute the gating system for the first and second mixers. Each diode input is fed continuously by one of the three oscillators. Each diode gate normally has a negative voltage on its plate and is thus doubled until enabled by a pulse from a thyratron ring. Each gate is neutralized so that it cannot pass a signal by its plate capacitance when disabled. At the proper instant, the thyratron ring applies a positive voltage to the plates of two of the gates causing them to conduct. The enabled gates pass the injection frequencies to tubes V_s and V_{12} . Tubes V_8 and V_{12} are isolation-buffer amplifiers which pass the injection frequencies to the grids of the mixers.

The output tank of the first mixer is tuned to about 5 mc, the difference between the incoming carrier and the injection frequency applied to the first mixer. Tubes V_{ν} and $V_{\nu\nu}$ are i-f amplifiers which feed the first-mixer signal to the second mixer.

Second Mixer and Gates

Gates of the second mixer operate in the same manner as the firstmixer gates, although not in the same order. The second mixer operates in the same manner as the first mixer, except that secondmixer output is the sum of the i-f and the injection frequencies.

The i-f is fed to the cathode of tube V_{11A} . Tube V_{11B} operates as a clamp to maintain the injection signal at a constant peak level. When any particular gate is enabled, an injection signal passes to tube V_{12} which is an isolation-buffer amplifier. The signal then goes to the grid of V_{11A} where it is injected and mixed with the 5-mc i-f. The tank circuit of the second mixer is tuned to the carrier frequency.

Thyratron Ring

Tubes V_{13} to V_{19} constitute the thyratron ring—Fig. 7. This ring triggers the gates of the first and second mixers at the proper speed and in the proper sequence so the gates pass the various injection frequencies to the mixers.

The input signal from the bitrate detector enters the first of two dual triodes, V_{20} and V_{21} . The first three triode sections function as pulse-shapers, and the fourth triode, V_{21R} , is an automatic starter for



FIG. 6—First mixer, gates and second mixer of transmitter. Output of first mixer passes through two i-f amplifiers, which are not shown, before entering the second mixer



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- Aug. 18-21: Western Electronics Show and Convention, WESCON, Cow Palace, San Francisco.
- Aug. 23-Sept. 5: British National Radio & Ty Exhibition, British Radio Industry Council, Earls Court, London.
- Aug. 31-Sept. 1: Elemental and Compound Semiconductors, Tech. Conf., AIME, Statler Hotel, Boston.
- Sept. 14-16: Quantum Electronics, Resonance Phenomenon, Office of Naval Research, Shawanga Lodge, Bloomingburg, N. Y.
- Sept. 15-17: Electronic Exposition, Twin Cities Electronic Wholesalers Assoc., Municipal Auditorium, Minneapolis.
- Sept. 17-18: Nuclear Radiation Effects in Semiconductors, Working Group on Semiconductor Devices, USAS-RDL, Western Union Auditorium, New York City.
- Sept. 21-25: Instrument-Automation Conf. & Exhibit, ISA, International Amphitheater, Chicago.
- Sept. 23-25: Non-Linear Magnetics and Magnetic Amplifiers, AIEE, ISA, PGIE of IRE, Shoreham Hotel, Wash., D. C.
- Sept. 23-25: Residual Gases in Electron Tubes and Related High-Vacuum Systems, International Symposium, Italian Society of Physics, Como, Italy.
- Oct. 12-15: National Electronics Conference, IRE, AIEE, EIA, SMPTE, Sherman Hotel, Chicago,
- Mar. 21-24, 1960: Institute of Radio Engineers, National Convention, Coliseum & Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City.

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Pioneer lunar probe vehicle. Retro rocket to place the vehicle in lunar orbit protrudes from shell. Antenna is at rear



Ground testing portion of missile to check proper operation of second, third and fourth stages

Circuits for Space Probes

They measure magnetic fields, sense radiation level and transmit tv pictures back to earth. Circuit design allows use of vehicle as space station relay for long-distance vhf communications

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ON OCTOBER 11, 1958, the United States launched the first space probe using the Pioneer vehicle. This highly-instrumented vehicle travelled over 70,000 miles from the earth before it returned to destruction in the earth's atmosphere. Portions of the electronic circuits that composed the fourth or payload stage will be covered in this article.

MISSILE — The first stage was a conventional Thor IRBM missile generating 150,000 lbs of thrust. The normally-used guidance system was removed to save weight. The second stage was a special vehicle which had been successfully flown previously, and had a thrust of 7,500 lbs.

Control about the pitch and yaw axes was provided by gimballing the engine (thrust chamber) with hydraulic servos. The pitch and yaw channels were identical except for the addition of a gyro torquing signal used to program the missile in pitch. Roll control was provided by a set of helium jets located about the periphery of the missile. The jets used the main propulsion system helium supply. The roll jet helium supply was controlled by solenoidoperated valves. The jets operated in pairs and provided 7.5 lbs of thrust each.

Certain critical second stage airframe, control, and propulsion functions were telemetered by a three-band f-m/p-m system that radiated 2 w of r-f. Pulse-amplitude modulation was employed on one subcarrier to multiplex a number of information channels.

An electronic commutator capable of time-division multiplexing 14 channels of information, inserting a reference level between information pulses and supplying a synchronizing pulse to identify each frame was used.

The Pioneer's third stage used a solid-propellant rocket motor. The fourth stage was to be used as



FIG. 1—Four sensing devices are multiplexed for transmission as f-m/p-m signal. Transmitter can be switched for use as Doppler transpond:r and as receiver-transmitter repeater system

a retro rocket. It's solid-propellant motor was mounted within the payload. The retro rocket was intended to be fired when the payload approached lunar orbit and guide the payload toward the moon.

PAYLOAD—The total weight of the payload was 83 lb of which 34 lb was in electronic components. Power was obtained from a combination of mercury cells and silver-zinc hydroxide batteries. A honeycomb structure made of epoxy-fiberglass housed the electronic components. The exterior of the shell was coated with a special blue paint pattern with proportion of the coated to the uncoated portion of the shell providing temperature control within the vehicle.

A block diagram of the payload is shown in Fig. 1. The telemeter was an f-m/p-m system. Five frequency-modulated subcarrier oscillators operated in the five lowest bands normally associated with frequency-division telemetering; 400, 560, 730, 960 and 1,300 cps. The subcarrier oscillator outputs are resistively summed and amplified to become the complex modulation for the transistorized crystal-controlled transmitter. Each tone phase-modulates the r-f carrier approximately 0.3 radian to form a frequency spectrum where a few percent of the total r-f power is carried in each of the five sets of symmetrical sideband pairs about the carrier. This low degree of modulation insures that a major portion of the total power always remains in the carrier so that a locked condition can be maintained in the microlock receiving system used at ground tracking and receiving stations.

The five subcarrier channels were employed to transmit ion density, two levels of micrometeorite particle impacts, magnetic field strength and compartment temperature.

MAGNETOMETER—Typical of the circuits is the magnetometer used to measure the earth's magnetic



FIG. 2—Pioneer's all-transistor transmitter uses a push-pull parallel output stage. It will accept inputs from either the telemeter system or signals from the command receiver field at great distances. It consists of 30,000 turns of fine wire wrapped around a ferromagnetic core. This core is mounted against the inner circumference of the payload. As the payload spins about its axis at 2 cps, the output of the magnetometer coil consists of a sine wave with a frequency equal to the payload spin rate and an amplitude proportional to that component of the earth's magnetic field vector perpendicular to the spin axis. The magnetometer is in effect a simple a-c generator in which the magnetic field strength in space takes the place of the field windings and the coil fastened to the spinning payload is the armature.

The output of the magnetometer is amplified by a nonlinear amplifier that provides gain and compresses a large input range to a small output range to make wide-range magnetic field measurements possible.

The output of the nonlinear amplifier is fed to an f-m subcarrier oscillator to produce a signal frequency modulated at the spin rate. The frequency deviation is proportional to the amplitude of the amplifier output which in turn is a function of the magnetic field strength. This subcarrier output is mixed with the other subcarriers of the telemeter system and the resultant signal is used to phase modulate the transmitter.

The transmitter may be coupled to the receiver to form a phase-coherent transponder system to provide measurements of Doppler velocity and position from earth tracking stations. The receiver also furnishes output commands to operate certain payload equipment sequences. Unless interrogated for command or Doppler purposes, the system continuously transmits telemetry data.

The electrical schematic of the transmitter is shown in Fig. 2. The output stage uses four transistors in a push-pull parallel combination. The transmitter has an output of 400 mw with a frequency stability of 2 parts in 10' per deg C, an efficiency of 53 percent and weighs 10 oz.

RECEIVER—The receiver uses 62 transistors, has a gain of 20 db and a noise figure of 8 db. The i-f bandwidth is centered about 6 mc and is determined by a crystal-lattice filter that is 10 kc wide at the 6 db point.

The receiver sweeps in frequency until phase lock is accomplished. The sweep circuit uses a voltagevariable semiconductor capacitor effectively shunting the crystal of a crystal-controlled oscillator. The receiver has a sensitivity of -130 dbm, consumes less than 270 mw and weighs 5.7 lb including batteries for a life of 120 hours.

MISSILE TESTING AND CHECKOUT—After the various subsystems were installed in the missile, exhaustive checks were performed to check proper operation of the equipment as a missile system. The propulsion system was exercised by pressurizing gas fed through the ground console. All systems were operated in as realistic a time scale as possible.

GROUND STATIONS—To track the Pioneer and receive the telemetry signals, a network of ground





FIG. 3—Aerial photograph of the Hawaii tracking station showing the parabolic receiving antenna and the multiple helix arrays arranged as an interferometer system



FIG. 4—Main elements of the Hawaii tracking station showing the microlock receiving system and the command transmitter

stations was established. Two of these, at Cape Canaveral and Hawaii, included provisions for sending commands to the payload. Figure 3 is an aerial view of the Hawaiian station showing the 60-ft parabola and multiple-helix arrays. The latter are used in an interferometer arrangement. The block diagram of the Hawaii station including the microlock receivers and command transmitter is shown in Fig. 4.

Because the Pioneer contained a receiver-transmitter repeater system, it was possible to communicate through the payload from one ground station to another.

On October 12, 1958, a vhf relay was accomplished between Florida and England and between Hawaii and Florida. This portion of the experiment highlights the use of satellites for intercontinental communications.

Switching VHF Power

Silicon power rectifier diodes, placed in a coaxial cable, switch r-f power from one circuit to another. Configuration, designed for vhf antenna systems in fast aircraft, can be used in many applications and at lower frequencies

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N^{EED} FOR SWITCHING radio frequency power in coaxial cable systems arose first in the aircraft antenna field. Although this article presents the solution to the antenna switching problem, the results are applicable to a large number of problems and a much wider frequency range, especially to lower frequencies. To avoid generalities the specific results of the antenna switching project will be used.

Antennas used for vhf communications on high-speed aircraft cannot be constructed with omnidirectional radiation patterns. Therefore, two antennas are located on the aircraft to give better coverage. But in the region where energy from both antennas is received, interference nulls occur that interrupt communications. To avoid this problem, a switching system has been constructed to transfer the amplitude modulated r-f carrier from one antenna to the other.

Silicon Switch

Switching is accomplished in a simple and straightforward man-

Table	1—Antenna	Switch	Data
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Freq (me)	VSWR	Power Loss (db)
200 250	1.2	l 1
$300 \\ 350 \\ 400 \\ 450 \\ 500$	$ \begin{array}{c} 1.1 \\ 1.1 \\ 1.2 \\ 1.3 \\ 1.4 \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 1.2 \\ 1.2 \\ 1.3 \\ 1.3 \end{array} $

ner using silicon power rectifier diodes placed in coaxial cables as illustrated in Fig. 1.

Figure 2A shows a sketch of a silicon power rectifier diode, and Fig. 2B represents the distribution of conduction carriers inside of this diode when it is reverse biased. Figure 2C represents the distribution of conduction carriers inside of the diode when it is forward biased. Because of the abundance of injected carriers in the intrinsic region, an a-c signal sees a low impedance through the diode.

The graph, Fig. 3, shows how the magnitude of the impedance of a silicon power rectifier diode varies as a function of frequency for various biasing conditions. Note when the diode is forward-biased to 50 ma, the impedance is less than five ohms, and when the diode is reverse-biased to 50 v, the magnitude of the impedance of these diodes is greater than 130 ohms up to 500 mc.

To be complete, Fig. 4 shows how the phase angle of the impedance of these diodes varies as a function of frequency and bias condition.

Thus, these diodes can be operated as switches at all frequencies from 100 to 500 mc. In this particular application, the frequency range of interest was 225 to 400 mc. The diodes should operate even better at lower frequencies down to around 100 kc.

In the antenna application, the peak r-f power is 10 watts, which corresponds to an rms current of about 450 ma. The silicon power rectifier diodes are rated at 600 ma



FIG. 1—Antenna switching system, using Sarkes Tarzian M-600 silicon diodes in coaxial cables



FIG. 2—Sketch of pin diode (A) shows distribution of conduction carriers when reversed-biased (B) and when forwardbiased (C)

continuous current with surge current ratings of about an ampere.

When the diode is forward biased to 20 or 30 ma with a direct current, it carries an alternating current of 450-ma rms or 600-ma peak. The current flows in the reverse direction for such a short time at these frequencies that the injected carriers are not swept out of the intrinsic region and the diode remains forward biased. Thus the carrier-storage effect aids system

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FIG. 3—Impedance of a pin diode plotted as a function of frequency for varying bias conditions



FIG. 4—Phase angle of the impedance of a pin diode plotted against frequency for various bias conditions

operation.

However, as the frequency is decreased, this problem becomes more pronounced, and for this particular diode and these power levels, nonlinearity of the diode becomes noticeable at about 100 kc. This imposes a low-frequency limit. With care and proper choice of a diode, the low-frequency limit can be dropped to a few kilocycles.

Figure 5 shows how the diodes are positioned inside a coaxial tee

connector with a spring loaded plug for making contact to the diode. The diodes are placed close to the point of separation of power, since the impedance in a coaxial line is a function of the length of the line as well as the load. By placing the switch less than a fifteenth of a wavelength from the tee, it is impossible for a high impedance switch to be reflected as a low impedance at the switching point.

Diode Bias

Figure 1 shows how the diodes are biased. The filter capacitors keep the switching frequency from reaching the antennas and the 500ohm resistors keep the r-f power in the coaxial line feeding the antenna. There is a low frequency short from the center coaxial conductor to ground inside the transceiver thereby allowing a return path for the 10-kc square wave.

If diode D_1 is forward biased, D_2 is reverse-biased and power goes to antenna 1. When the square wave reverses, D_1 bias reverses, D_2 becomes forward-biased and the power goes to antenna 2. This same operation occurs during reception.

Table I shows results obtained using Sarkes Tarzian M-600 pin silicon diodes, with one diode forward biased, the other reverse biased and 50-ohm loads used in place of antennas.

Much of the mismatch and some of the power loss are attributable to the relatively crude filtering em-



Model of diode switch was developed by the Communications Laboratory of the McDonnell Aircraft Corp.

ployed. The system was operated over a temperature range from -60 C to 100 C with no change in operation.

The diode could be used to switch any one of a number of transmitters to a single antenna in some prearranged fashion when the transmitted information is intended for a particular individual.

By using this type of diode switch, controllable shorts and opens can be introduced into a system as variable circuit elements, and can be used as tuning elements. This leads to a number of specific arrangements for particular applications.

The authors are indebted to the McDonnell Aircraft Corporation under whose auspices this work was done; and to the Electrical Engineering Department and Engineering Experiment Station of Iowa College for use of their facilities.



FIG. 5—Mechanical arrangement of diode, showing details of the semiconductor switch. The diodes are positioned inside a coaxial tee connector with a spring-loaded plug for making contact to the diode

Using Isotopes to

Radiological vacuum gages permit measuring extremely low pressures for checking industrial and scientific laboratory equipment and in high-altitude research. This instrument is extremely compact and provides a digital output that can be used for storage or telemetering

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BY MODIFYING CURRENT from a density - sensitive radiological transducer, the instrument to be described can measure pressures between sea level and 300,000 feet above sea level. Compactness and low-power requirements of this instrument have made it well suited for balloons and rockets to lift it to such heights. Differing from previous radiological pressure gages^{1, 2, 3}, its output is a digital signal which can be used for storage or telemetering more conveniently than an analog signal.

Radiological Transducer

The pressure-sensing transducer of the instrument is a small cylindrical tube with a radioactive foil fastened around the inside of the tube, as illustrated in Fig. 1. The foil contains a thin layer of titanium in which tritium, the radioactive isotope of hydrogen, is absorbed. Tritium, which is in concentrations up to 400 millicuries, supplies intense low-energy beta radiation to ionize the gas in the chamber. Because only low-energy beta particles are produced by the source, the instrument can be handled with negligible hazard.

Pressure Sensing

To start transducer operation, a charging voltage is briefly applied between the wall of the chamber and the central electrode that runs through an insulating seal at the end of the tube and lies along the tube's axis. Electrons and negatively charged ions are attracted to the positively-charged wall and



FIG. 1—Although radiation is not detectable outside the radiological transducer, its external surface bears a warning symbol

positive ions to the negatively charged central electrode. When the electrons and ions reach the surface, they neutralize the charge there and the voltage across the chamber falls.

If the density of air in the chamber is high, many ions are formed and the chamber voltage falls rapidly. If there is little air in the chamber, the chamber voltage will retain its value almost indefinitely. The rate of voltage decay is thus proportional to the air density.

When the chamber has discharged to a predetermined voltage,



FIG. 2—Transformer is an audio type with large step-up ratio. Polarizing voltage supplies less than a μamp

a sensing circuit generates an output signal pulse and another circuit simultaneously recharges the chamber to its original voltage.

With a fixed amount of radioactive material the discharge time is given by $T = C \Delta V / a p_a$, where Tis in sec, C is the chamber capacitance in farads, ΔV is the voltage drop of the chamber, p_a is the chamber air pressure in mm Hg at 0 C, and constant a relates the ionization current produced in the chamber to p_a . For the chamber in Fig. 1, which contains a tritiumtitanium source of 400 millicuries, a is about 10^{-p} amps/mm Hg.

Recharging Time

Recharging time is generally short compared to discharge time T and the repetition frequency of the signal pulse is nearly equal to 1/T. Therefore, frequency is directly proportional to normalized pressure.

Ionization is sensitive to the density of the gas in the tube rather than its pressure; as indicated above, the pressure must be normalized to 0 C. Air entering the chamber rapidly attains the temperature of the chamber walls, which generally is different from the outsideair temperature. Knowing the temperature of the chamber wall, the density information provided by the chamber can be used to calculate the chamber pressure, which equals the pressure of the outside air.

Charging and Signaling

Initially, the transducer wall is held at a constant d-c polarizing

Measure Low Pressures



FIG. 3—Blocking-oscillator pulses ond grid voltage are shown on a common time scale



FIG. 4-Reversal ot neor-otmospheric pressures is due to ion recombinations

voltage of 15 to 100 v to collect all ions that are formed, and the central electrode is charged to a voltage that is sufficiently negative to cut off electrometer tube V_i (Fig. 2). When the voltage across the chamber becomes low enough to permit current to flow through $V_{i_{i_{i}}}$ blocking oscillator Q_i applies a positive pulse to the transducer wall. This pulse is transmitted through the capacitance of the transducer tube to the grid of V_i , switching on the grid current. This current recharges the chamber and when the oscillator pulse ends, the grid of the electrometer tube is left at a negative voltage that is nearly equal to the height of the oscillator pulse.

Output pulses from the oscillator go to a telemeter transmitter. A receiver on the ground picks up the information and drives a pulse counter, whose count rate indicates pressure.

Pulse Shapes

Initially, the center electrode of the transducer is at a high negative voltage and V_i is cut off, as illustrated in Fig. 3. With the decay of



Scientist installs a radiological pressure gage in a high-altitude simulation chamber. During test the counter at the right will indicate the pressure

the charge, the center electrode voltage climbs to the cut-off level and V_1 begins to conduct. Current through the base of transistor Q_1 triggers a blocking-oscillator pulse whose peak amplitude is approximately 30 v. Grid current flows in V_1 , but grid voltage rises only slightly above ground potential. When the blocking-oscillator pulse ends, so does grid current. The potential of the center electrode drops to a negative value that almost equals the peak amplitude of the blocking-oscillator pulse.

Performance

Figure 4 shows the output pulse repetition rate as a function of pressure. Assuming that pulse repetition rates of less than about one per sec are not useful, the instrument has a maximum useful altitude of about 250,000 ft (0.05 mm Hg). By using a larger chamber, the maximum altitude can be increased to 300,000 ft (0.001 mm Hg).

The finite energy (18 kv max) of particles from the tritium source places a lower limit of around 50,- 000 ft (300 ohm Hg) on the altitudes at which useful information can be obtained. A smaller chamber would permit useful pressure measurements down to sea level.

Output pulses are about 10 v, 100 μ sec long and approximate rectangles.

Compensation

The temperature coefficient of the transistor circuit in Fig. 2 compensates for the pressure-density correction. Over the temperature range of about 0 C to 40 C, instrument output is constant to within a few percent at constant pressure. At constant temperature under laboratory conditions, the reproducibility of instrument output is 1 percent.

Total power drain is less than 40 mw. The instrument can withstand accelerations of 100 g, its weight is 3 oz and its size only $2 \times 2 \times 1$ in.

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Cut-away section exposes electron gun, r-f output coupler and helix of millimeter oscillator

Voltage Tunable

LACK of satisfactory generators of coherent r-f has in the past retarded use of the millimeter-wave region of the electromagnetic spectrum. Until recently, harmonic generators were the only power sources for millimeter waves.

This article describes the characteristics and performance of two experimental backward-wave oscillator tubes designed to explore the possibilities of obtaining voltagetunable oscillations over wide frequency ranges in the millimeter region. One of the tubes oscillates between 29 and 49 kmc and the other between 48 and 74 kmc. Frequency is varied by a single voltage adjustment.

Design

Both tubes use a tape-helix backward-wave circuit, through the center of which a solid electron beam from a parallel-flow gun is focused by a uniform axial magnetic field. The r-f outputs are from standard waveguides.

The electron guns use an impregnated tungsten matrix cathode that produces an average current density of 1 amp per sq cm. With a confining axial magnetic field, the guns produce a parallel electron beam that flows through the helix and is collected in the hollow copper collector cylinder.

A helix wound from rectangular cross section tape is used as the slow-wave structure. Electrically, the tape helix offers high backwardwave impedance over an octave frequency range; this simplifies coupling between the r-f output and the helix over this frequency range. Moreover, the helix presents a comparatively large cross-sectional area over which the r-f field can interact with the electron beam.

Mechanically, the helix is a good circuit to use because conventional grid-winding techniques can be used to keep the parts within the close dimensional tolerances required in structures for such extremely high frequencies.

Helices are made of tungsten tape 0.002-in. thick by 0.006-in. wide for the lower-frequency tube and 0.002-in. thick by 0.0045-in. wide for the higher-frequency tube. The mean diameters of the helices in the two tubes are 0.0315 in. and 0.021 in., respectively.

The tape helix circuit is supported mechanically by three round quartz rods spaced equally around its outside diameter. Rods are held in contact with the helix by a fine nickel wire spiraling around their entire length.

Electromagnetic waves which are excited in the tape helix by interaction with the electron beam are radiated from an antenna at the gun end of the helix into a thin section of waveguide. The waveguide is tapered up to standard waveguide size to permit the output connections for the tubes to be standard RG 97/U and RG 98/U waveguides and flanges. The output waveguide is sealed vacuum-tight with an experimental gasket-type mica window¹. Transfer of power from helix to waveguide has been found experimentally to be efficient over the entire frequency range of the tubes.

Oscillation Frequency

Frequency of the two experimental backward-wave oscillator tubes is varied by changing the helix potential.

Figure 1 shows the tuning curves for the two tubes, with the frequency of oscillation plotted as a function of helix voltage. As voltage is varied from 650 to 3,200 v, the oscillation frequency of the lower-frequency tube tunes from 29 to 49 kmc; for the other tube, voltage variation from 750 v to



FIG. 1—Helix voltages control operating frequencies of oscillators

Experimental backward-wave oscillator tubes for millimeter-wave generation can be tuned over wide frequency range by single voltage adjustment. Tubes utilize helix slow-wave structure wound with rectangular cross-section tape. Two designs described cover 29 to 49 kmc and 48 to 74 kmc

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3,100 v tunes the oscillation frequency from 48 to 74 kmc.

The output power to be expected from these experimental tubes was calculated for beam currents of 3 ma for the 29 to 49 kmc tube and 2 ma for the 48 to 74 kmc tube. The curves in Fig. 2 show that the power output of the former should increase from 5 mw at 30 kmc to 13 mw at 50 kmc and the calculated power output of the latter should rise from 1.2 mw at 50 kmc to 2.6 mw at 74 kmc.

Power output, measured with a commercial bolometer, was several milliwatts for the lower-frequency tube and about 1 mw for the higherfrequency tube. Although the power was not monotonic over the band, output was observed to be continuous. Accurate power measurements



FIG. 2—Power outputs of oscillators vary with operating frequencies



FIG. 3—Proposed coiled ridge waveguide structures for higher power output

at millimeter wavelengths are extremely difficult, however, and commercially available bolometers, which tend to indicate less than true power, are useful only to indicate relative power values.

Higher r-f power output necessitates a larger circuit structure to pass more current and dissipate more heat.

One proposed structure is the coiled ridged waveguide shown in Fig. 3. The electromagnetic wave traveling through the coiled waveguide interacts with a hollow cylindrical electron beam flowing through cuts in the broad surface of the guide.

Ridging the waveguide permits the frequency range of such a structure to be made relatively wide, although not so broadband as the helix circuit.

Raising Frequency

As the calculated and measured performance of these tubes were in

fair agreement, it is reasonable to attempt to extend their design to higher frequencies.

An extrapolation of the present design to a backward-wave tube, which would operate in the frequency range between 90 kmc and 150 kmc, results in a tube that would have a 0.6-in. long helix made of 0.001 by 0.0022-in. molybdenum tape wound at 218 turns per in. on a 0.0105 in. inside diameter. The simplicity of design makes this structure mechanically feasible.

The tube should oscillate at frequencies from 90 to 150 kmc as the helix voltage is varied from 600 v to 3,300 v. Starting current is calculated to be 0.5 to 1.9 ma over the frequency range. For a current density of 5 amp per sq cm, which is not impractical with impregnated cathodes, the collector current is 2.8 ma and the expected power output is of the order of 1 mw.

Although theory predicts certain power outputs, obtaining them over the entire operating range of an actual tube is another matter. A great deal of further developmental work must still be done to provide reliable performance and uniformity.

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Distributed Amplifiers

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DISTRIBUTED AMPLIFIERS consist of a chain of tubes connected between sections of a pair of lumpedconstant artificial delay lines. Since output signals from all tubes are added, gains are also added rather than multiplied. Bandwidth of conventional amplifiers is limited because the tube type has a specified gain-bandwidth product and gain must be greater than one. In distributed amplifiers, fractional gains in each tube add to produce overall stage gains greater than one while isolating stage capacitances thus giving wider bandwidth. Characteristics of typical commercially available distributed amplifiers are given in Table I.

TV AMPLIFIERS—These amplifiers provide high gain concentrated over all or part of the tv band. Transformer coupling permits matching delay line impedances of several hundred ohms to conventional 52- or 72-ohm coaxial cable. Limited bandwidth and high delay line impedance reduce tubes per stage. Improved noise figure results since it is determined by equal contribution of all tubes in the first stage. These amplifiers usually feature a rising frequency versus gain curve to compensate loss of long coaxial cable.

LABORATORY AMPLIFIERS — These amplifiers are designed for nearly linear phase shift, good matching and wide frequency response. Inputs and outputs are essentially direct-coupled to the input and output delay lines. Thus, input and output impedances are not usually compatible with existing coaxial cables. More tubes per stage are used than in tv distributed amplifiers; therefore, the noise figure is generally poorer and overall gain is somewhat less. Laboratory amplifiers are suitable, however, for general amplification of r-f or small pulses.

PULSE AMPLIFIERS—Pulse amplifiers are generally biased at cut-off to permit swinging the tubes throughout their entire grid base.¹ Often they use element voltages which would result in overdissipation if they conducted for extended periods, severely limiting duty cycles.

PREAMPLIFIERS—Distributed preamplifiers use a special broadband triode input stage to give an exceptionally good noise figure. Also bandpass filter sections are used in their delay lines rather than the low-pass filters used in all other distributed amplifiers.

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Table I-Characteristics of Typical Commercially

Manu- facturer	Model	Fre- quency Response ^a	Rise Time (µsec)	Noise Fig (db)
Entron Inc.	RA-1B	45 mc to		
Lintron, The	RA-1C	51 mc to 89 mc		
	510	50 mc to 100 mc		6
	515	50 mc to 150 mc		6
Haller.	530	50 mc to 300 mc		8
Raymond and Brown, Inc.	530NS	50 mc to 300 mc		8
	1530	150 mc to 300 mc		6
	2550NK	250 mc to 500 mc		8
Hewiett-	460AR	3 kc to	0.0026	10
Packard Co.	460BR	3 kc to 140 mc	0.0026	6
	M-400	200 kc to	0.0016	
Instruments	M-500A	200 kc to 220 mc	0.0025	
For Industry	M-510	200 kc to 220 mc	0.0025	
	M-530	10 kc to 300 mc	0.0016	
Jerrold	ABC-522	10 mc to 230 mc		10 to 12
Electronics Corp.	LSA-795	7 me to 95 me		8
	2210	100 kc to 220 mc		6
RS Electronics Corp.	2220	100 kc to 220 mc		
	2230	100 kc to 220 mc		
	202D	1 kc to	0.0026	9
Spencer-	206	600 cps to 320 mc	0.002	10* and 155
Kennedy Laboratory,	211	15 mc to		8.8
Inc.	212C	100 mc 54 mc to		
	214B	216 mc 200 cps to	0.006	

(a) to 3-db points (b) at 50 mc (c) at 300 mc

For Wideband Applications

Available Distributed Amplifiers

Gain (db)	Max. Out. (rms v)	Imped- ance (ohms)	Type and No. of Tubes	Application	Remarks
41	45	75	6AH6 (12)	Ty distribu-	Has 18-db gain control
42	27	75	6AH6 (12)	tion Tv distribu- tion	Includes tilt to compensate for cable losses and a 12-db gain control
32		50	GL6299 (2)	Preamplifier	Has low-noise input stage
20		50	GL6299 (2)	Preamplifier	Has low-noise input stage
14		50	GL6299 (2)	Preamplifier	Has low-noise input stage
40		50	GL6299 (6)	Preamplifier	Has low-noise input stage
20		۶	GL 6299 (2)	Preamplifier	Has low-noise input stage
27		50	$\begin{array}{c} 5402 & (6) \\ GL6299 & (4) \\ 5702 & (12) \end{array}$	Preamplifier	Has low-noise input stage
20	4	200	6AK5 (12)	Laboratory	Has gaussian high-frequency roll off.
15	8 see remarks	200	6AK5 (12)	amplifier Pulse amplifi e r	Useful output to 200 mc Has high-frequency roll off similar to 460AR. Pulse position permits 125-v pcak outputs into open circuit with duty cycle less than 0.1
10	95	In: 50		Laboratory	Output is 100-w c-w. With special power supply, 5-kw peak
12	22	Out: 90 In: 90 Ont: 185		Laboratory amplifier	Up to 240-y pulse obtainable with special supply [All applicable for ty also]
16	12	In: 90 Out: 185		Laboratory amplifier	
18	3.5	In: 135 Out: 150		Laboratory amplifier	
20	0.032	75	6CY5 (12)	Ty distribu-	
3 2	0.45	75	6CY5 (6) 12BY7 (6)	Ty distribu- tion	Has 4-db gain control and built-in voltmeter
20		In: 200		Preamplifier	
<mark>20</mark>		93 93		Laboratory	
18	e Ter-	93		Power amplifier	Output is one watt
20	4	200	6AK5 (12)	Laboratory	
18	6 see remarks	In: 180 Out: 200	5654 (16)	amplifier Laboratory amplifier	Pulse mode—30-v peak neg output; high-level mode—50-v peak neg output with 2% max. duty cycle. Also, has 10-db gain control. Adapters for various frequency response curves are available.
33	3	75	6AK5 (12)	Tv distribu-	Tilt to correct cable losses
20	2.1	72 or 52	6AK5 (12)	Tv distribu-	The line of the second second
30	see remarks	In: 180 Out: 5K ^d	6AH6 (14)	Pulse amplifier	Output is 65 v at 0.3 duty cycle with no grid current; 125 v at 0.1 duty cycle with grid current.

(d) or greater with 8 $\mu\mu$ f in parallel; with termination removed, impedance is 500 ohrus in parallel with a maximum of 5 $\mu\mu$ f

Frequency Shifts Improve

New technique overcomes multipath problems in long-range pulse transmission. Transmitter and receiver simultaneously shift frequency so that receiver is sensitive only to the transmission arriving by the shortest path

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RECEPTION OF SHORT PULSES over long radio paths is often hampered by the transmitted signal taking several paths to reach the receiver. If the lengths of these paths differ enough, the receiver may produce an output pulse that begins with the start of the first arriving signal pulse and ends with the decay of the last arriving signal pulse. Thus the output pulse is lengthened by the difference in transmission time between the shortest and the longest paths. If this time difference is appreciable compared to the duration of the transmitted pulse, disastrous time distortion results.

Figure 1A illustrates a simple case of two-path propagation which is common at high frequencies. The longer path involves an earth reflection near the path's midpoint and two ionospheric reflections.

Figure 1B shows a simple example of a two-path transmission above 30 mc which involves F-layer reflection and ground scatter. This problem has been most significant in ionospheric scatter circuits where the scatter mode is the most direct route between the two terminals. For certain maximum useable frequency (muf) conditions, strong F-layer reflections produce highintensity signals at the surface of the earth many miles beyond the intended receiving terminal. These strong signals are reflected backward by surface irregularities on the earth. Thus transmission conditions can cause separately transmitted signals to appear simultaneously at the receiver.

A frequency-translation system solves the problem of multipath transmissions by synchronously changing pulse-transmitting and receiving frequencies so that the receiver is sensitive to only the signal energy arriving by the shortest transmission path. After pulse energy is received, gates shift the receiver and transmitter frequencies. The receiver is shifted to a frequency which makes the receiver insensitive to the freqency that had been transmitted and the transmit-



FIG. 1—Path B (A) is the longer of the two paths. Direct-scatter path (B) is much shorter than the indirect paths



FIG. 2—At any time t, channel frequency is shifted either right or left of center, depending on keying information



FIG. 3—Section enclosed by the broken lines is the frequency translator of the transmitter (A) or the receiver (B)

ter frequency is shifted to the new operating frequency at the same time.

A frequency is abandoned long enough for the last pulse that was transmitted at this frequency to disappear. The number of frequencies required is thus one more than the time difference between the longest and shortest path divided by the signalling element duration.

For example, in the h-f case where time differences of 10 to 12 millisec are common, three frequencies are required to transmit 3-millisec pulse elements. For ionospheric-scatter circuits above 30 mc where delays of 40 millisec are common, seven or eight frequencies are required.



FIG. 7—The bit-rate detector supplies the input to V₂₀, which is an input amplifier of the thyratron ring comprising tubes V₁₃ to V₁₀

the first thyratron.

Assume that the first thyratron, V_{13} , is ignited and conducting. As current flows, a voltage builds up across the cathode circuit of R_1 and C_1 . This voltage is fed through the 47,000-ohm resistors to the plates of two diode gates. The gates open, passing injection frequencies to the mixers.

At the same time, this voltage is passed through resistor R_4 to the grid of the next thyratron, V_{11} . This voltage is not sufficient to trigger the thyratron, but when added to a positive pulse from the bit-rate detector it is sufficient. When the next positive pulse arrives at all thyratron grids only tube V_{11} ignites. When this happens, enough current is drawn through the common plate resistor, R_5 , to lower the voltage enough to extinguish the first thyratron.

The triggering process continues through seven frequency shifts and repeats itself until the equipment is turned off.

When the equipment is first turned on no thyratron is primed for firing, as was thyratron V_{11} in the above example. Tube V_{21B} is used as an automatic starter. When plate voltage is first applied, the grid of V_{21B} is positive and enough current flows in the cathode circuit to prime the first thyratron, V_{13} . The next pulse from the bit-rate detector ignites the first thyratron and as soon as current flows in the thyratron plate resistor, the resultant voltage drop swings the grid of $V_{z_{1B}}$ negative and cuts off $V_{z_{1B}}$.

Bit-Rate Detector

The bit-rate detector, Fig. 4, is effectively a locked oscillator which controls the operation of the thyratron ring in exact synchronization with the mark-space pulses from the information signal.

Crystal oscillator frequency is 1,200 cps. Tube V_{23} is a feedback amplifier which affords the 360-deg phase shift necessary for oscillation.

Tube V_{24} is a double-triode phase shifter which changes oscillator frequency when gate V_{35} changes the voltage it applies to tube V_{24} .

After being amplified in tube V_{zz} , the oscillator signal goes to tube V_{zz} . Operating level is automatically controlled by tube V_{zz} , a rectifierclamp stage. The amplified signal goes to tube V_{zz} , a one-shot multivibrator used as a pulse shaper. The next three stages, tubes V_{zz} , V_{zz} , and V_{zz} , are flip-flops which divide their input frequencies by two. Thus signal frequency is 150 cps at the square-wave output of tube V_{zz} . Tube V_{zz} provides the signal which, after clipping and amplifying, triggers the thyratron ring.

Tube V_{30} also applies a squarewave signal to an integration circuit which produces an isosceles saw-tooth wave at the plate of tube V_{31} .

Keying signals enter the bit-rate detector at tube V_{aa} , a phase-splitter. After differentiation, the sig-

nal appears at the plates of dualdiode V_{33} as a series of pulses representing the keying-signal reversals. These pulses are rectified by tube V_{33} and applied to tube V_{34} . Tube V_{34} is a one-shot multivibrator which delays the pulses.

The delayed pulses are applied in push-pull to tube V_{355} , where they are opposite in polarity and equal in amplitude. Tube V_{355} , a double diode, is used as a dual-gate and is normally nonconducting. The pulses, however, switch tube V_{35} on for the duration of the pulses.

Phase-Difference Detection

Tubes V_{31} and V_{35} act as a phasedifference detector. If the instant of diode conductance occurs at the zero point of the isosceles wave that comes from V_{33} , no change in the output of V_{x} takes place. But if the crystal frequency should drift slightly, the diodes conduct at a time when the isosceles wave is at a point other than zero. This conduction-time shift charges or discharges an integrating capacitor, depending on whether the isosceles wave is lagging or leading the keying signal. Thus a positive or negative voltage appears at one grid of tube V₂₄, bringing about an unbalanced condition. The degree of unbalance determines the degree of phase shift introduced in the crystal oscillator circuit. Phase shift causes the crystal to change frequency in the proper direction so as to synchronize exactly with the keying input signal.

Thermoelectric Properties

Important semiconductors are evaluated for thermoelectric performance. Figures of merit, presented for each material, place bismuth telluride and lead telluride at top of list: Ten well-known semiconductors are presented in convenient table that shows comparative characteristics

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THERMOELECTRIC PERFORMANCE of a semiconductor can be discussed in terms of the figure of merit $z = a^{z}\sigma/\lambda$, which serves as a criterion for both refrigeration and generation. Here σ is the electrical conductivity, λ is the thermal conductivity and *a* the Seebeck coefficient, which is also referred to as the thermoelectric power.

Semiconductor theory shows that electrical conductivity, thermal conductivity and the Seebeck coefficient are interrelated, and that the best thermoelectric performance from any material is obtained if the doping level is adjusted to give a thermoelectric power of approximately $200\mu v/deg C$ at the temperature at which the material is to be operated.

MERIT FORMULA—Provided the doping level is adjusted in this way, theory shows that for a wide range of semiconductors the figure of merit, z, is proportional to (μ/λ_{*}) $(m^{*}/m)^{3/2}T^{3/2}$.

Here μ is the mobility, m^* is the density of states effective mass, λ_o is the lattice component of the thermal conductivity, and T is the absolute temperature.

The total thermal conductivity λ is made up of the lattice component λ_o and the electronic component λ_o which is proportional to σ *T*. The values of μ and m^* involved are for electrons in *n*-type material, and for holes in *p*-type material.

It is not possible to dope a semiconductor to achieve a Seebeck coefficient as high as $200\mu v/\text{deg C}$ if the energy gap, E_u , is too small or the temperature is too high. In bismuth telluride, Bi_xTe_3 , the energy gap at room temperature is 0.13 ev, and a thermoelectric power of $200\mu v/\text{deg C}$ can be obtained at temperatures up to 200 C. The table gives values of E_u for a variety of semiconductors.

In column 9 of the table, the values of (μ/λ_o) $(m^*/m)^{3/2}$ are based on the values for μ , m^* and λ_o shown in the previous columns. In each case the upper figures refer to electrons and the lower to holes. These values indicate the relative merits of the semiconductors at a fixed temperature. The figures for germanium, silicon and the compounds between group III and group V elements are much lower than for bismuth telluride or lead telluride.

TEMPERATURE—Mobility varies with temperature according to the law $\mu \propto T^{-\chi}$. Values of χ are given in column 5.

Since the figure of merit z is proportional to (μ/λ_o) $(m^*/m)^{3/2}T^{3/2}$, the variation of the figure of merit, z, with temperature is dependent on the values of χ . Thus if χ were equal to 1.5, the quantity $\mu T^{3/2}$ would be independent of temperature; m^* does not vary appreciably with temperature, so that the temperature variation of z would depend entirely on that of λ_o . For most materials near and above room temperature $\lambda_o \propto 1/T$.

Thus, as temperature varies, the changes in the relative values of z comparing the different semiconductors depend mainly on the value of χ . For example as temperature rises, z for lead telluride falls relative to the value for bismuth telluride, because of the larger value of χ for lead telluride.

THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY—The value of λ_o for a semiconductor can be lowered by substituting for one of its constituents another element from the same column of the periodic table. The values of $\lambda_{o\ min}$ in column 10 represent the minimum values of λ_o for the different semiconductors which can be achieved by this substitution.

For bismuth telluride a value of 0.01 w/cm/deg C is achieved by forming the compound BiSbTe₃, that is, replacing half the bismuth by antimony. In lead telluride a similar effect is obtained by replacing half the tellurium by selenium.

The mobility at the composition giving the minimum value of the lattice component, λ_o , is shown in column 11 under μ_{min} , and the corresponding value of (μ/λ_o) $(m^*/m)^{3/2}$ is shown in the last column of the Table.
of Semiconductors

Semi- conductor	Melt- ing Point deg C	$E_{g} \\ { m ev}$	$\mu cm^2/v/sec$	$\begin{array}{c} \chi\\ \mu \propto T^{-}\chi\end{array}$	$\frac{m^*}{m}$	$\mu\left(\frac{m^*}{m}\right)^{3/2}$	λ _o w/cm/ deg C	$\frac{\mu}{\lambda_o} \left(\frac{m^*}{m}\right)^{3/2}$	$\lambda_{o\ min} \ w/cm/ \ deg\ C$	$\mu_{min} m cm^2/v/sec$	$\frac{\mu}{\lambda_o} \left(\frac{m^*}{m}\right)^{3/2}$
Bi ₂ Te ₃	575	0.13	$\substack{1,250\\550}$	1.7 1.9	0.45 0.6	350 260	0.015	$22,000 \\ 17,200$	0.01	$1,250 \\ 600$	$\begin{array}{c} 35,000\\ 26,000\end{array}$
PbTe	901	0.27	$2,000 \\ 500$	$2.5 \\ 2.5$	0.3	300	0.023	13,000	0.01	1,300	20,000
Ge	936	0.65	3,600 1,900	$1.7 \\ 2.3$	0.5 0.35	\$1,260 410	0.61	$\begin{array}{c c}1,970\\640\end{array}$		100	4 700
Si		1.1	1,200 500	2.5 2.3	1.08 0.6	$\substack{1,350\\230}$	1.13	1,200 200			
InAs	940	0.45	30,000 200	1.6 2.0	0.06 0.3	4-10 33	0.3	1,300 100		20, 000	8.000
InSb	525	0.2	77,000 1,200	$\begin{array}{c} 1.7\\2.1\end{array}$	0.04	620 92	0.15	4,100 600		20,000	2,000
GaSb	720	0.7	4,000		0.2	360 150	0.27	1,350	0.03	8,000	4,000
GaAs	1,210	1.3	5,000		$\begin{vmatrix} 0.01 \\ \approx 0.3 \end{vmatrix}$	40 ≈ 10	≈0.5	$ \begin{vmatrix} \approx 100 \\ \approx 100 \end{vmatrix} $	0.04	2,000 400	1,500 1,800
InAs	910	°0.15	30,000	$1.6 \\ 2.0$	0.06	6 440 33	0.3	$\left \begin{array}{c}1,300\\100\end{array}\right\rangle$	0.03	8,000	2,000 1,000
InP	1,070	1.2	-1,000 	2.0	0.08	3 90	≈0.5	≈ 180 	0.05	8,000	2,500
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

Table 1-Comparison of Well-Known Semiconductors

Note: For each semiconductor, the upper figure in a column refers to electrons, the lower to holes. The values quoted refer to 300 k. The figures in the last three columns opposite Bi_2Te_3 refer to $BiSbTe_3$, having the minimum value of λ_0 . The corresponding figures opposite PbTe refer to Pb_2TeSe .

FORMING SOLID SOLUTIONS-In columns 9 and 10 of the table, the brackets are intended to indicate the effect of forming solid solutions between the different semiconductors. Thus, with germanium and silicon a value of the lattice component, λ_{e} , as low as 0.03 can be obtained for the composition 70 percent Ge, 30 percent Si. However, the mobility is also lowered, so that the figure in column 12 is not much improved compared with that in column 9. The figures for the solid solutions between group III and group V compounds are intended as intelligent guesses at the minimum value of λ_o at room temperature which could be obtained in solid solutions, if in fact such solutions could be formed in these systems. In some cases (InAs-InP, GaAs-GaP, and InSb-GaSb) this is known to be possible. Solid solutions have not, however, been studied in detail, so

that there is so far no definite evidence to confirm these figures. The values estimated for $\lambda_{a\mbox{min}}$ and μ_{min} lead to the figures in column 12 considerably lower than those for bismuth and lead telluride.

COMPARISON OF MATERIALS—This survey shows that the thermoelectric properties of bismuth telluride and lead telluride, and compounds derived from them by substitution, are superior to those of the other well-known semiconductors listed in the table. This applies both for the individual compounds and for solid solutions and alloys formed between them. So far there is not enough reliable information about other materials now under active investigation, and it is premature to try to list their properties. It is hoped that compounds will be discovered which are superior even to bismuth telluride.



FIG. 1—Frequency response of a narrowband filter bank



Checking a 40-kc filter bank (on bench at left) with counter accurate to 0.1 cps

Circuit Design Using

N^{ARROW-BAND FILTER BANKS can be used in telemetry, for noise reduction in radar systems, for Doppler radar and model control. The spectrum analyzing or combing effect of such banks is illustrated in Fig. 1.}

Advantages of the basic elements used here are several. The ferrite material is cheap and readily available, circuits are simple, insertion loss can be held to 6 db and complete filter banks are relatively small and mechanically simple.

Resonant Frequency

A filter element is shown in Fig. 2. A tube of nickel zinc ferrite (Ferroxcube IV D) is supported at its center by three screws equally spaced around a brass ring. The ring is split to keep it from being a shorted turn. The primary is a single turn on the printed circuit board and the secondary slips over the end of the phenolic tube.

The ferrite tube can vibrate longitudinally or torsionally, depending on its magnetic polarization. Sending a large current through a wire strung through the center of the tube will produce a circumferential polarization. The alternating field from the input coil will now induce torsional vibration.

In Fig. 3, H is the static biasing field and $h \sin \omega t$ is the alternating axial field. The maximum resultant field $H_{\text{max res}}$ will be at a small angle to the axis and have a value $(H^2 +$



FIG. 2-Construction details of a torsional mode magnetostriction filter element

 h^{z})¹⁴. The maximum stress will be in the direction of this resultant field. The total spiral stress acts as a couple on the ferrite tube, causing torsional vibration.

The resonant frequency is $f_r = 1/2 \text{ v } s(E/\rho) \frac{1}{2}$ where $\rho =$ density, s = length of the ferrite tube and E = rigidity modulus for torsional vibration, Young's modulus for longitudinal.

Air pockets in the ferrite cause density variations which affect the operating frequency. Even samples taken from the same batch show this effect so exact frequencies can not be calculated.

A longitudinal filter is almost twice as long as a torsional one at the same frequency. Being easier to support, the shorter torsional unit is preferred for mechanical stability. Since IV D material is comparatively soft magnetically, the self-biasing needed in the torsional mode may lead to long term instability. But the flux lines in the ferrite are closed and such instability has not been noticed over periods up to a year.

For maximum electromechanical coupling the magnetostrictive constant λ must be maximum. λ varies with intensity of magnetization and

Designers of telemetry equipment, Doppler radar and computers are finding that magnetostrictive filters compare favorably with the crystal type, offer significant cost reduction. Ferrites used in torsional mode are basic elements of these narrow-band filter banks

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Magnetostrictive Filters

is maximum at 0.6 saturation intensity; this value coincides with the remanent flux density produced when the resonator is polarized.

The frequency response of an element is shown in Fig. 4. A bucking coil, series connected in phase opposition with a filter output, masks the antiresonant effect.

Torsional Resonators

The dimensions of a resonator for 40-kc center frequency are: length 38 mm, o-d 5.6 mm, i-d 1.5 mm. The ferrite tubes were polarized by passing up to 200 amps through a wire strung through the center of the tube. The current was obtained from an ignitron magnetizer. While the current was much more than required for saturation the setup gave repeatable results. The bucking coil is a conventional transformer similar to filter elements but with a nonmagnetostrictive slug of grade III B ferrite. The slug is adjusted for the desired output. In some cases phase control may also be needed.

Filter characteristics as a function of input current are shown in Fig. 5. The changes at high input are caused by magnetomechanical hysteresis. The linear region is be-



tween 0.01 ma and about 2 ma.

Coarse tuning of the resonators is accomplished by grinding to decrease length. For fine tuning of about 4 cps, an adjustable iron-dust tube is placed over the support tube.

Output impedance at resonance is about 1,000 ohms. Care must be taken that the output impedance is not damped by the input circuit.

A simple way of mounting the filter support tubes is through holes

Table I—Performance of Filter Bank

Number of Filters
Center Frequency
Bandwidth 7 \pm 0.25 eps
Insertion Loss
Input2 ma max
Output
Temp Coef. 2.8 cps per deg C at 44 kc
Outputs instched better than 0.1 db
Size $2\frac{1}{2}$ by $1\frac{3}{4}$ by $8\frac{1}{2}$ in.
Weight

in an insulated board. A printedcircuit board 4 by 7.5 in. was used to handle the large number of connections, with single-turn primaries printed on one side and connecting points for outputs on the other. The arrangement was three rows of seven elements: 20 filters and one bucking coil.

The natural bandwidths of the filters vary by about ± 1 cps and can be increased by a suitable resistor across the output. These equalizing resistors are mounted on the same board.

The primaries were laid out carefully to obtain equal coupling to the filters and the printed wiring was doubled back to obtain a noninductive lead. Layout of the filters placed frequency adjacent units as far apart as possible to minimize any interaction that might occur because of the high mechanical Q of the resonators.

Target bandwidth for each filter was 7 cps and output levels were to be equal. Bandwidths were controlled with load resistors; levels by moving the output coil away from the center. Although these two adjustments are not entirely orthogonal, they were completed without great difficulty. A schematic



FIG. 4—Frequency response of typical element, with and without bucking coil



FIG. 5—Characteristics of element versus input current

diagram of a typical filter bank without load resistors is shown in Fig. 6.

Performance

Characteristics of the complete bank are shown in Table I. There was no detectable change over a one-year period in resonant frequency, bandwidth or output. Interaction between frequency adjacent elements was about 1 db at a level 15 db below the main response. This interaction can be further reduced by magnetic screening.

These filters were developed mainly for use in banks where large numbers of filters are required. The initial application required they be narrow band and have single tuned circuit response. Further developments will include using two or more units to form band-pass filters. If two elements are used. the output coils can be connected in antiphase. The off-resonance from each filter will cancel, thus lowering the level of the skirts. (Fig. 4.)

The temperature coefficient in Table I is for Ferroxcube IV D material. Ferroxcube VII B has a temperature coefficient about 1/10 of IV D. A filter bank made with VII B material showed only a 0.02 percent frequency change from 0 to 50 C. Ordinary quartz crystals would show almost the same change but specially cut units could be twice as stable.

The cost of a ferrite element is estimated at less than half that of a comparable quartz element and should be even lower when used in banks. A molded plastic form is being used to replace the paper tube and split brass ring construction.

Applications

Many uses exist for banks of narrow-band filters if they are cheap and compact. Spectrum analyzers could be made in the band from 20 kc to 200 kc with intrinsic bandwidths of 3 cps and 30 cps respectively. Band-pass filters can be made with bandwidths up to 200 cps while damped single elements will yield bandwidths up to 50 cps.

The input to the banks can be easily arranged. If the primaries are series fed, the input current will be the same for each filter and the outputs can then be equalized to better than 0.1 db.



FIG. 6—Circuit for typical comb filter

When used in a radar or communications system, a comb filter acts similarly to the ear, tuning to an incoming signal and rejecting other signals or noise outside a certain bandwidth.

Doppler Radar

A comb filter is used with 10 channels, each 10 cps wide, for an overall bandwidth 100 cps. The 10 outputs are detected and read on meters. With no input signal, only noise is detected and all outputs are equal. The noise in each channel will be 1/10 that in the complete bank. Feeding a c-w input signal at the center frequency of one channel will give an output on only one meter. The effective signal/noise ratio is increased by 10 and the Doppler frequency is determined. Limitations of crystal detectors prevent the full 10 to 1 improvement in s/n ratio.

This arrangement could be used for practical radar, with the output of a particular channel with its enhanced s/n ratio being fed to a computer. If target velocity information is not required, circuits can be arranged to accept only the signal from the filter with the maximum output and display it on a single indicator.

A comb filter can be used in a pulse radar in a different way. A bank of filters is used with center frequencies each separated by the prf. The bank acts as a short-term store, successive signals from targets being added arithmetically while noise received in random phase is added rms fashion. Signals a_n add to Σa_n while uncorrelated noise b_n adds to Σb_n^2 $\frac{1}{2}$. The s/n ratio is thus improved as $(\Sigma a_n)^2/$ Σb_{μ}^{2} . Improvements greater than 10 db can be obtained in this way, the limitation being the square-law characteristic of detectors at low power levels. The natural time decay of the stored signals places limits on the effective integration which can actually be done.

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ORGANIZING A MAXIMAL-SPEED COMPUTER

In designing a computer suitable for extremely high information-processing rates, it becomes necessary to re-examine basic concepts of machine organization in the light of new devices, new programming techniques and new applications. This study is being conducted by a machine organization group at the IBM Yorktown Research Center.

Investigations into the principles of computers are leading to the design of a completely superconducting machine. Its computing speed and capacity will be so high that the finite velocity of propagation of electromagnetic signals becomes the limiting speed factor. Therefore, the design must not only provide for the unique properties of superconductors but must minimize the effects of information transmission delays. This will be accomplished by a machine organization which causes information to be confined in packets as it is processed through the machine, and by the use of miniature circuits. In addition, the machine will provide the facility for simultaneous or parallel calculations of different parts of a problem. Furthermore, whereas most machines have been synchronous (in that information flow is controlled by traffic signals operated by a common clock), methods of completely asynchronous operation are now being investigated.

A machine such as this superconductor computer may well lead to important theoretical advances in many scientific fields. This study is part of a broad research program in computer organization extending the mathematical theories of computers and their application to information processing systems of all kinds.

IBM. RESEARCH

Transistor Rectifier Gives D-C of Either Polarity

Diagonally symmetrical power transistor circuit permits smooth load current variation over range of several amperes at either polarity. Power into twoterminal load can be four times maximum allowable transistor power dissipation

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SMOOTHLY VARIABLE DIRECT-CUR-RENT SOURCES capable of supplying positive and negative currents in the ampere region are often needed for testing magnetic materials, solenoids, meters, reactors and other low impedance electrical devices. In many cases passive circuits are impractical for this purpose because of the poor resolution and contact noise of high-power, low-resistance rheostats.

Basic Circuit

In the basic diagonally symmetrical circuit shown in Fig. 1, power transistors Q_1 and Q_2 and voltage sources E_* form two loops in common with load R_{L} . Control voltage E_* is applied between the transistor bases resulting in a control current which flows through the two transistor base-emitter circuits with an opposite sense, thus promoting conduction of one transistor while cutting off the other. Reversal of control voltage polarity transfers conduction to the opposite transistor, thereby reversing the load current.

The conducting transistor loop forms a common-collector circuit having the emitter-base reverse resistance of the cut off transistor in series with the control voltage source. Voltage gain is approximately unity, current gain is approximately β and input resistance is approximately βR_L .

Characteristics of this diagonally symmetrical circuit are similar to those obtained more simply with complementary symmetry circuits'; however, complementary transistors which have high power capabilities are not commercially available.

Practical Circuit

A practical diagonally symmetrical circuit is shown in Fig. 2. Transistors Q_i and Q_i serve as drivers for the output transistors Q_s and Q_i . The driver circuit increases the input resistance to $\beta^2 R_L$ which permits use of a 5,000-ohm, high-reso-



FIG. 1—Emitter currents in basic diagonally symmetrical circuit flow in opposite directions through load

FIG. 2—Automotive storage batteries are used for 12-v transistor supplies in practical circuit although rectifier supplies would be used. Maximum current drain from two 12-v dry cells in control voltage circuit is 7 ma



lution control potentiometer and reduces battery drain. Greater resolution can be obtained using potentiometers with larger resistance, but a sacrifice in linearity resulting from potentiometer loading occurs.

Shunt Resistors

Emitter-base resistances are shunted by 220- and 20-ohm resistors which have a negligible effect on the input resistance of the conducting circuit. The 47,000-ohm resistors bias the transistors so that they conduct slightly with zero control voltage; hence, under any condition at least one transistor pair is conducting.

A maximum of 4 amp can be supplied to the 2.5-ohm load giving an output of 40 watts. Maximum collector dissipation is 14.5 watts. Similar circuits can be designed for different load resistance by suitable selection of supply and control voltages and base bias resistors.

Other Applications

Control voltage can be obtained from electronic circuits thereby permitting the general circuit configuration to be used as a relatively high-power output stage for d-c servo applications. Also, since the circuit responds to frequencies from d-c through the audio range, similar circuits have been designed for audio power amplification² with direct connection to the loudspeaker voice coil.

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Methods for exhausting prototype vacuum tube to low pressure levels require simple, low-cost equipment



FIG. 1-Prototype vacuum tube uses adsorption principle for exhausting

Tube Exhaust Methods Use Simple Gear

By J. H. OWEN HARRIES, Owen Harries, Consulting Engineers, Bermuda

RESEARCH program led to techniques for exhausting vacuum envelopes from atmospheric to very low pressures without mechanical or diffusion pumps. Although originally developed for physics demonstrations, the simplicity and low cost of the approach suggests applications in research or even production exhausting.

Conventional mechanical pumps and oil or mercury diffusion pumps produce contamination. Contamination from pumps or other sources causes difficulties in attaining long life and low shrinkage in commercial production of vacuum tubes.

J. R. Zacharias of Massachusetts Institute of Technology requested us to devise a simple way for high school students to make vacuum tubes. Making tubes is part of new physics courses being devised by the Physical Science Study Committee.

Only very simple tools and materials would be available and only fundamental glassblowing operations possible. No spot welders nor vacuum or hydrogen furnaces could be required.

The prototype tube in Fig. 1 has an appendix for activated charcoal. This tube can be exhausted to pressures between 10^{-7} and 10^{-8} mm Hg. Similar tube without the appendix uses a mechanical pump with getters (but no diffusion pumps or cold traps).

Materials

Glass tubing and commercially available multiwire glass stems are joined with Corning Solder Glass 7570 to form the envelopes. The solder glass is fused in an oven at 570 C. Glassblowing is reduced to joining glass tubes not exceeding 0.5 inch in diameter and to making and sealing constrictions.

The electrodes of 305 stainless steel are washed and degreased in a home-made vapor degreaser. Spot welding is avoided by crimping. Willemite is dusted on the anode electrode to obtain a visible electron beam spot. Ba Al and titanium getters are used, with each getter fired through a pair of leads from the inside of the envelope. No induction furnace is needed. More elaborate electrode systems than that used in the prototypes will be designed. Some or all of the 28 wire leads available through the commercial glass stems can be used.

A vacuum gage of the coldcathode type is used either to pump continuously while measuring pressure or switched on for the shortest possible time so pressure is reduced little by the pumping action. The pumping action of the gage can be used to assure very low working pressure despite lack of clean assembly facilities. Continuous pumping with the vacuum gage is unnecessary since pressures as low as 10^{-6} to 10^{-6} mm Hg were recorded without continuous pumping by the gage. Lower pressures can be ob-

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Adsorption Exhaust

The tube, gage and appendix (containing about 140 cc of 6-14 mesh activated charcoal) for the adsorption exhaust arrangement in Fig. 2 are baked at 350 C in a homemade oven. Glass tube orifices A and B are open to the atmosphere. After one hour and with temperature maintained at 350 C, carbon dioxide gas is injected through orifice B.



FIG. 2—Simple arrangement for baking tube requires home-made oven

The orifices are then sealed off while maintaining the same temperature. The appendix containing the activated charcoal is then immersed in solid CO_2 and trichlorethylene, reducing pressure sufficiently for the vacuum gage to be switched on. The Ba Al and Ti getters shown in Fig. 1 are then fired in that order to reduce pressure to 10^{-7} to 10^{-8} mm Hg.

Mechanical Exhaust

Alternatively, an inexpensive mechanical fore-pump can be used without the appendix containing activated charcoal. The tube shown in Fig. 3 is connected to the mechanical pump via a P_2O_2 trap. It is sealed off after pumping and baking at 350 C. Pressure is then about 10^{-3} to 10^{-1} mm Hg. After firing the Ba Al and Ti getters (in that order) and operating the vacuum gage, pressure falls to 10^{-7} to 10^{-8} mm Hg. A Ti getter operates more effectively than a commercial Ba Al getter only if pressure is low and dirty gas from the pumps and electrodes is absent. Although a Ba Al getter is not as readily inhibited, in prac-



FIG. 3—Mechanical fare-pump is used in this appraach to exhausting



tice it does not produce pressures nearly as low as Ti when dirty gas is absent. Therefore the Ba Al getter is fired first.

Performance during adsorption exhaust is shown in Fig. 4. The appendix containing charcoal was immersed in solid CO_2 and trichlorethylene at zero time. Before firing the getters, the characteristic blue glow of CO_2 gas appeared between the gage electrodes.

Thoriated tungsten wire cathodes are used because Ba Sr oxide cathode coatings are probably too difficult to prepare. However, adsorption exhaust techniques have been used successfully with oxide coated cathodes.

The author thanks Mr. D. F. Fetigan of this laboratory who constructed, exhausted and tested the high school tubes.

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Molymanganese printed circuit subjected to heat of a Bunsen burner

could damage the circuit's physical or electrical properties. Field changes can be made by simply adding or removing jumper wires.

The circuit was developed by George L. Heitman of Advanced Vacuum Products, Inc., Stamford, Conn., a subsidiary of General Ceramics. About a dozen developmental units are now in the hands of electronics manufacturers.



Folder of matches indicates size of ceramic circuit board

Studying Radiation Effects

CONSTRUCTION is now beginning at Air Force Cambridge Research Center on new facilities for research into the radiation damage of electronic materials. Facilities will be used by the Electronic Material Sciences Laboratory to investigate the effects of radiation on semiconductors, dielectrics and various electronic components. Of equal importance, research on materials modification by radiation to enhance their electronic properties will be carried out.

The special radiation physics building will house a three MEV Van de Graff generator and a cobalt 60 source of about 10,000 curies. The Van de Graff generator is capable of accelerating protons, duterons and electrons to vary high energies; the cobalt 60 source provides a high intensity gamma ray field. The facility, scheduled for completion in 1960, will also contain equipment for the remote handling of material in a hot cell. Cook Electric Company is responsible for the design and construction of the facility.

Magnetic Materials

Permanent magnets survive far greater dosages of nuclear radiation than is normally required of them, according to a comprehensive study of permanent magnetic materials. Unlike soft magnetic materials, some of which show drastic degradation under radiation, the permanent magnet materials tested showed no measurable changes following exposure in the Brookhaven National Laboratory Reactor. The materials met or exceeded radiation environmental requirements established by the Defense Department for electronics equipment likely to be employed in nuclear-powered aircraft and ballistic missiles.

Results of the NOL tests indicated, from the military point of view, that most of the major hard magnetic materials now available commercially can readily be used in designs for nuclear aircraft and missiles. This contrasts sharply with the findings on radiation effects upon soft magnetic materials, some of which could not function in such an environment for any significant length of time.

The investigation of hard magnetic materials in part of a broader NOL study of radiation effects on both permanent magnets and soft magnetic core materials.

Last Fall, a two-year study was completed by laboratory physicists measuring the extent to which soft magnetic cores deteriorated under nuclear radiation. All 14 soft core materials tested were found insensitive to all types of reactor radiation except fast neutrons, which caused varying degree of deterioration in magnetic properties.

The magnetic materials tested were 3.5 chromium-steel; 36 cobaltsteel; Alnico II, V and XII; Cunico I; Silmanal; fine irons; platinumcobalt; unoriented barium-ferrite. and oriented barium-ferrite. D. I.

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Gordon, R. S. Serry and R. H. Lundsten of the Applied Physics Department of Naval Research Laboratory are compiling data for a detailed report to be ready later in the year.

Depletion-Region Transistor Made

FROM Philips of Einhoven, Holland, comes word of a semiconductor claimed to make use of the depletion region surrounding an alloy contact in near-intrinsic germanium, and called a Deplistor. However it is apparently not intended for small-signal, high-frequency operation.

Figure 1A shows an *n*-type contact, the control electrode, alloyed into a thin circular wafer of intrinsic germanium opposite a small *p*-type alloy contact, called the



FIG. 1—Cross section of Deplistor (A) gives the dimensions in mm. The current-flow pattern in the on condition is shown in (B)

surge electrode. The third electrode is formed by an *n*-type base ring alloyed along the circumference of the wafer. Figure 1B shows the current flow pattern in the *on* condition, when appreciable current flows through the surge electrode. Only small saturation currents are carried in the non-conducting state.

The current-voltage characteristic, measured between the surge and base electrodes, exhibit a negative differential resistance under certain conditions.

Typical data reported : $V_c = 20$ v,

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 $V_s = 0$ non-conducting bias gives $I_c = 50$, μa and $I_s = -10$, μa and an a-c differential resistance of more than 100,000 ohms. $I_c = 0$ and $V_s = 1$ v conducting bias gives a surge current $I_s = 20$ to 50 ma and an a-c differential resistance of between five and 10 ohms.

A PN Diode

According to the description, the so-called Deplistor is like a *pn* junction diode between surge and base electrode, the current flow through which is modulated by more or less reverse bias on the control electrode.

As such, the Deplistor seems to resemble the unipolar field-effect transistor of Shockley's except that in the field-effect transistor, the material between *source* and *drain* (corresponding to *surge* and *base* in the deplistor), is a homogeneous high-resistivity semiconductor and not a junction.

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Development of this new largediameter material is of considerable significance to national defense, since silicon lenses are essential components in many military infrared devices. The availability of large-diameter lenses is important since the detecting power of the lens is related to the square of the lens diameter. Previously available material has not been larger than 5 inches in dia.

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Memory Windings May Be Printed

PRINTED CIRCUIT techniques may eliminate tedious hand assembly of ferrite core memory arrays. Attempts are being made to metalize a pattern through the core center while circuit connections are printed.

Hand array wiring techniques are reaching a limit in cost and miniaturization, it was reported by E. R. Gamson, Telemeter Magnetics, Inc., Los Angeles, Calif., at this month's IRE Professional Group on Production Techniques Third National Conference, San Mateo, Calif.

In a paper coauthored by F. J. Saltus and D. A. Zumwalt, he detailed methods now used. A single array may have more than 16,000 cores with common windings. Cores were aligned by hand. Vibrationvacuum methods are now used. Locating plates are etched from copper, reducing tooling costs to \$100 or \$200, compared with \$2,000 to \$3,000 for the molded plastic plates formerly used. Adhesive tape transfers cores to the wiring fixture without losing alignment. The tape is pressed over the cores with a wood fixture and rubber roller.

One-step Circuits

A trend away from component assembly and towards fabrication of complete solid state circuitry was predicted by D. W. Moore, Servomechanisms, Inc., Goleta, Calif. An interim stage, reached with micromodules (ELECTRONICS, p 62, May 15, and p 51, May 22, 1959), is still compatible with specialized component manufacture. Solid state cir-



Copper locating plate is made by etched wiring techniques



Array winding fixture with clips to hold wires. Unwired cores are held on tape

cuitry would require a merger of specialties.

Production Cleaning

A. K. Baker, The Baker Co., Inc., Biddeford, Maine, discussed prevention of contamination by micronsized particles in the production atmosphere. He reviewed equipment and materials his firm uses in constructing clean rooms and pressurized workbench enclosures, methods of monitoring air cleanliness, personnel practices and precautions for preserving cleanliness.

For example, ordinary paper, pencils and erasers should not be

used. Ball point pens and vellum will yield less dust. The best solution is carbon paperless duplicating forms in plastic envelopes and a simple stylus.

G. G. Brown, Bendix Aviation Corp., Davenport, Ohio, in a survey of ultrasonic cleaning equipment components and practices, gave several tips on solving ultrasonic cleaning problems:

Parts cleaning baskets may reflect half the sonic energy if improperly designed. An automatic shutoff timer avoids unnecessary deterioration of the system. A mistuned generator may reduce cleaning efficiency 80 percent; retune it each shift. Use preferential placement to clean blind cavities; expel entrapped air. Keep bath temperatures below the Curie point of the transducer material.

R. H. Watson, Lockheed Aircraft Corp., Sunnyvale, Calif., urged engineering personnel to advise production personnel well in advance of new components and equipment to avoid production problems.

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E. J. Meyer, Hughes Aircraft Co., Tuscon, Ariz., outlined reliability considerations in missile production. Sometimes, changes in production can avoid redesign. Among cases cited were:



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Concentration of airborne contaminants can be held to a few hundred particles (mostly submicron in size) per liter in a room like this



Hughes Aircraft found shock mounting clip at right compensates for variations in tube envelope dimensions

Tube shock mounting was improved by replacing solid spring clips with finger spring clips to compensate for tube envelope variations. Tube heater to cathode leakage exceeded specs; chassis were preaged before final test to weed out unsatisfactory tubes. A battery was modified with a heat diffuser to cool a power supply. Overheating of a resistor, causing solder joint melting, was cured by mechanical mountings which provided a heat sink.

Nickel Plate Protects Tinning Dip from Brass

DIRECT IMMERSION of intricate components in molten tin or solder, followed by centrifuging, separating and quenching gives excellent hot tinning results in many cases, according to the 1958 annual report of the International Tin Research Council, Tin Research Institute, Greenford, Middlesex, England.

Bath Conservation

However, when hot tinning brass by this method, the dipping bath may quickly be contaminated with copper and zinc. The problem may be overcome by first applying a thin coating of electro-deposited nickel to the components.

High centrifuging speeds may result in too thin a coating. Barrel hot tinning is satisfactory for many shapes and sizes. The work is rotated in a heated container with a measured amount of molten tin or solder and flux.

Tin Porosity

An electrochemical method of providing a numerical index of the porosity of coatings of tin and other metals has been devised. The metal carrying the coating is made the anode in a test cell. Electrolyte and current density are chosen so that current is carried only by exposed base metal and so that polarization of the metal is insensitive to small changes of current.

Variation of the measured potential of the test piece with changes of applied current is governed by the electrical resistivity of the electrolyte contained in the pores. The resistance values for the pores depends on their number, area, shape and length. The method is expected to be useful also in research on sources of pores and behavior of porous coatings in corrosive environments.



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BETA ELECTRIC DIVISION of Sorensen & Co., Inc., Richards Ave., South Norwalk, Conn. Easily fulfilling the ASTM standards for dielectric testing, these a-c insulation testers supply up to 100 kva of dependable power in four ranges: 0-25, 0-50, 0-100, and 0-150 kv. These supplies are conservatively designed and are aged for at least 12 hr at 110 percent of rated voltage. Final inspection includes test at 110 percent of rated output current, and the output is repeatedly short-circuited to check the protective devices.

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Panel Light tiny, powerful

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Power Transformer circuit design aid

TRIAD TRANSFORMER CORP., 4055 Redwood Ave., Venice, Calif. Development of voltage doubler circuits using silicon rectifier power supplies is now possible with the

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New noise microphone reports sonic damage to missiles in flight.

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(left) Research and Development facilities in the Stanford Industrial Park at Palo Alto, California, provide the latest in technical equipment.

(right) Ultrasonic temperature probe measures speed of sound in various gases another Lockheed contribution.



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Wideband amplifiers two new models

INSTRUMENTS FOR INDUSTRY, INC., 101 New South Road, Hicksville, L. I., N. Y. M-630 and M-680 super video amplifiers. Two can be housed in cabinet with power supply and front panel connections. Each amplifier section has a 90 ohm input and output impedance, separate input and output connectors. For two channels, each amplifier can be used as a separate amplifier with gain of 20 db (M-680) or 60 db (M-630) with 2 v rms output. In cascade, M-680 has gain up to 40 db and M-630 up to 120 db. Amplifier sections can operate in parallel or push-pull.

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P-M D-C Motors subminiature

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Transformers for transistors

MICROTRAN CO., INC., 145 E. Mineola Ave., Valley Stream, N. Y. Five new microminiature transistor transformers are available in round hermetic case with glass bead headers or epoxy-molded construction. Size is approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ cu in. with a weight of $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Impedance ranges were designed to meet the requirements of many new transistors. Small quantity price ranges from \$3.45 to \$9.75 depending on construction.

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Ceramic Capacitors extruded or molded

PACKARD-BELL Co., 12333 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles 64, Calif. New ceramic capacitors are internally cross-braced thus imparting greater strength to the part. They feature reduced size and cost as well as greater reliability. Four areas in which they should prove commercially valuable are: as a replacement for the paper capacitor in values between 0.01 and 0.25 μ f; as direct replacement of mica capacitors in values from 300 $\mu\mu$ f to 0.01 μ f; as a military component vpical Collins System for 2.5 kw: ach rack contains a dual channel 50T Receive nd 310U Exciter. Right are two dual iannel 204F-1 Linear Power Amplifiers

modular flexibility for 2.5 kw NS SSB communication stations

The building block nature of the linear power amplifiers, exciters and receivers in Collins' single sideband line enables tailoring a system to the specific functions required or updating that system to expand these functions.

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Although suitable for linear power amplifiers with higher output power, the 310U is employed in this illustration with the 2.5 kw PEP 204F-1 Linear Power Amplifier. This power amplifier has two sets of tuned circuits for rapid selection of either of two channels. Each channel is manually pretuned to any frequency in the 2 to 30 mc range.

Another 2.5 kw PEP linear power amplifier that might be employed is the 204H-1, which automatically senses the self to that frequency.

Closely related to the 310U is the 50T Receiver. It has up to 10 channels in the 2 to 30 mc range, with single conversion and modular flexibility. A crystal filter ahead of the RF stages provides exceptional RF selectivity.

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Enclosures heavy-duty type

AMCO ENGINEERING CO., 7333 W. Ainslie St., Chicago 31, Ill. A new enclosure line is designed to complement and extend the range of application of the company's modular instrument enclosure system. System utilizes a wide $(22\frac{1}{16})$ in.) frame with a semi-custom look achieved through multiwidth cowling. Provision for flush mounting 19 in. wide panels of any thickness are built into the frame. These same panels may be recessed to any desired depth in the frame. Design of the enclosures provides for rugged protection and mobility for the more severe requirements in modular or single unit applications.

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Gyro Package subminiature

SANDERS ASSOCIATES, INC., Nashua, N. H. Model 21 gyro package provides a complete three-axis angular velocity sensor in a compact, lightweight package for roll, pitch and yaw indication. Measuring only 3 by 3 by 3 in. overall, and weighing less than 1 lb, the multiaxis package requires fewer components, is simpler to install and costs less than three separately packaged gyros.

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Stalo Cavity with hermetic seal

VARIAN ASSOCIATES, 611 Hansen Way, Palo Alto, Calif., announces the VA-1299 stalo cavity. Frequency is fixed tuned (with ± 15 mc trim) at any frequency from 8,500 to 9,600 mc. Stabilization factor is 20 (with VA-101B klystron; insertion loss, 10 db; unloaded Q, 20,000; temperature coefficient, less than 5 kc per deg. C; weight, approximately 1 lb. **CIRCLE NO. 217 READER SERVICE CARD**

Printout System expandable

DATRAN ELECTRONICS, 1836 Rosecrans Ave., Manhattan Beach, Calif. Model 10EC-C strain gage printout system is expandable from its basic 10 channels to any capacity by plugging additional modules of 10 channels each into existing receptacles. The data which is automatically recorded on standard adding machine paper tape includes a two-digit channel number, one digit for span or range, plus or minus sign, three digits of data for ranges of 1, 2 or 4. For ranges of 10, 20 or 40 the data is followed

How Indiana Steel's engineers help you solve micro-wave magnetic problems

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Miniature Tuner for f-m radio

GENERAL INSTRUMENT CORP., 65 Gouverneur St., Newark 4, N. J., announces a low-cost, miniaturized, ultrasensitive f-m radio tuner which, the company states: is smaller and less sensitive than comparable devices; is expected to reduce retail prices of f-m sets; can be used in straight f-m, combination a-m/f-m or the newest 2-tuner stero f-m radio sets; and reduces radiation and drift to imperceptible levels.

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Frequency Calibrator highly accurate

KAY ELECTRIC CO., 14 Maple Ave., Pine Brook, N. J. The Mega-Stub passive frequency calibrator is a highly accurate, low-drift device providing sharply defined harmonic responses in three spectral ranges from 10 mc to 3,000 mc. Passive networks, consisting of various lengths of coaxial cable terminated in a short circuit, provide a choice of responses at multiples of 10, 100 and 1,000 mc. An r-f signal is applied to the input terminal and the detected output is observed on an oscilloscope (d-c coupled) or on a sensitive d-c voltmeter.

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Timing Motor moisture-proof

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Power Supply missile-borne

BOGUE ELECTRIC MFG. CO., 52 Iowa Ave., Paterson 3, N. J., has developed a new turbine-driven electric power generator for missiles. It is a thermal lag generator using its own mass as a heat sink to absorb the heat losses during its 20minute mission. The power supply delivers 15 kva of 400-cycle, 120/208-v, 3-phase power. Output voltage is regulated to ± 1 percent by a transistor-magnetic amplifier regulator. The system voltage recovers within 1 percent of its steady state value in less than 25 millisec on application or removal of its full load. Overshoot is less than 10 percent.

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Vacuum Gage wide-range

CONSOLIDATED ELECTRODYNAMICS CORP., 1775 Mt. Read Blvd., Rochester 3, N. Y., has available a thermalconductivity-type constant temperature vacuum gage having excellent sensitivity in two ranges, from 1 micron to 100 microns and from 1 micron to 500 mm. The Magnevac has a built-in pressure-sensitive switching circuit which is adjustable to operate anywhere within the pressure range of the instrument. This circuit may be used as a protective switch for the vacuum system or as an aid in automating the vacuum process.

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Glass-To-Metal Seals. Palmer Associates Inc., 55 Hall St., Brockton, Mass. A 4-page brochure lists some of the extra advantages gained when using glass-to-metal seals made by the company.

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Electrolytic Capacitors. Ohmite Mfg. Co., 3673 Howard St., Skokie, Ill. Bulletin 148F provides complete data on an expanded line of tantalum wire electrolytic capacitors.

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Synchro Data Chart. Theta Instrument Corp., 48 Pine St., East Paterson, N. J. The synchro data chart, with detailed definitions of the electrical parameters of synchros and resolvers, has been revised in accordance with the latest military specifications.

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Power Supplies. Perkin Engineering Corp., 345 Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif., has available a new catalog of d-c power supplies, a-c line voltage regulators, airborne radar power supplies, and static inverters and converters. Ask for catalog E59A.

Automatic Relay Tester. Mid-Eastern Electronics, Inc., 32 Commerce St., Springfield, N. J., offers a two-page catalog bulletin describing the application and operation of an automatic relay tester. CIRCLE NO. 268 READER SERVICE CARD

VTVM. Elsin Electronics Corp., Eileen Way, Syosset, N. Y. A recent flyer illustrates and describes a new vtvm which assures 2 percent accuracy from 1 mv to 1,000 v and is priced at \$185.

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FACILITIES

Cable Equipment. Interstate Electronics Corp., 707 E. Vermont Ave., Anaheim, Calif. A recent 4-page mailing piece discusses the company's expanded cabling facility to meet the demands of the missile, aircraft, and electronic industries.

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Milliammeter. Hewlett-Packard Co., 5025A Page Mill Road, Palo Alto, Calif. A reprint of Ad No. 5025 fully describes model 428A milliammeter. Company's facilities and services are discussed.

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NEW BOOKS

Synthesis of Linear Communication Networks . . Vol. I and II

By WILHELM CAUER.

McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York, 1958, 866 p, \$19.50.

Until recently a shortage of texts existed in the field of linear network synthesis. Consequently Wilhelm "Theorie der linearen Cauer's Wechselstromschaltungen." first published in 1941 and generally available in this country since 1948, has proved a valuable reference. The second edition (1954) of this classical work, appropriately retitled "Synthesis of Linear Communication Networks," has now been translated from the German by G. E. Knausenberger and J. N. Warfield.

Although the translation is listed as volumes I and II. both are bound within the same cover. Volume I begins with two short chapters summarizing the book and outlining the synthesis problem. Then come two chapters that treat in some detail the analysis of general circuits and of two-terminal-pair networks and which introduce the image parameters of the two-terminal-pair network. Next, the concept of positivereality is discussed and the general reactance synthesis theorems for two-terminal and two-terminal-pair networks are produced. Volume I concludes with two chapters on image parameter synthesis and two appendices of formulae, tables, and design data.

Volume II contains three chapters, one each on insertion-parameter design, band-separation networks and reactance networks equivalence. In addition there are four appendices of mathematical background and practical design techniques. Of these, perhaps the most interesting is one on Chebyshev polynominals and approximations.

The principal weakness of this book is that it does not treat recent work in the field. The translators have attempted to alleviate this defect by the addition of a lengthy appendix in which they discuss recent advances very briefly and give an extensive bibliography.—JOHN B. THOMAS, Ass't. Prof. of Elec. Eng., Princeton University, Princeton, N. J.

THUMBNAIL REVIEWS

- Electronic Technician. Research Publishing Co., Inc., P. O. Box 245, Boston 1, Mass., 1958, 24 p, \$1.00. This little booklet sums up the various factors that are of interest to young people considering the advantages and disadvantages of becoming electronic technicians. Among the factors considered are required qualifications, working conditions, promotional opportunities, salary ranges, etc.
- Electronic Hobbyists' Handbook. By Rufus P. Turner, Gernsback Library Inc., New York, N. Y., 1958, 160 p, \$2.50. Complete how-to-build-it information on more than 100 amplifiers, oscillators, power supplies, communications equipment, control devices and photoelectric units. Chapters on safety practices and shop techniques are included.
- Proceedings of the Sixth Scintillation Counter Symposium. IRE Professional Group on Nuclear Science, 1 East 79 St., New York, N. Y., 1958, 221 p, \$7.50. These proceedings of the symposium held in Washington, D. C., during Jan. 1958 are an excellent review of the present status of photomultiplier phototubes, scintillating media and nuclear counters based on computations of the two.
- Fundamental Principles of Transistors. By J. Evans, D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc., Princeton, N. J., 1958, 255 p, \$6.75. This excellent book is aimed at graduate electrical engineers and specialists in other fields who wish to acquire a sound basic knowledge of transistors. This is not a circuit book, rather it deals with the theory of semiconductors, pn junctions and transistor operation. Transistor manufacture, measurement of transistor parameters and a discussion of the properties of transistor materials are included.
- Properties and Testing of Plastic Materials. By A. E. Lever and J. Rhys, Chemical Publishing Co., Inc., New York, 1958, 197 p, \$4.75. A wide variety of plastics properties, testing techniques and test apparatus are summarized, consolidating literature in the field. Practical considerations, such as tests for properties related to production methods and end product use, are stressed. To make full use of the book, the reader will need access to a good library of American and British technical and trade publications.



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The firm, operating two other plants in San Bruno, Calif., and Salt Lake City, specializes in the design and production of high power transmitting tubes, and currently produces more than 100 tube types. Its humble beginning in 1934, with a three-man staff, was financed with \$5,000, and its initial product was a triode manufactured for amateur radio operators.

Eimac's first big order came from Western Electric in 1940, and called for delivery of 10,000 tubes. This put the company on a mass-production basis, and after the outbreak of World War II, production was increased to well over 100,000 tubes per month.

Today the firm has a backlog of \$12.5 million, and employs 1,800 people. Gross sales in 1958 exceeded \$16 million, and a volume of \$24 million is forecast for this year. Tube types include amplifier klystron, reflex klystrons, rectifiers, traveling wave tubes, planar triodes, radial-beam tetrodes, and ceramic receiving tubes for commercial, industrial, and military applications. The Salt Lake City plant for a while produced both round and rectangular tv picture tubes 16 to 27 inches in size. Currently, Eimac's largest production tube is 10 ft high, sells for \$25,000, and is being turned out at a rate of 10 per month. Major troposcatter early warning systems utilize Eimac klystrons.

The new glass and concrete plant stands two stories high and contains 150,000 sq ft of floor space. Near-future plans call for adding another 27,000 sq ft of manufacturing space.

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Founders W. W. Eitel and J. A. McCullough still actively guide operations of their firm as president and executive vice president, respectively.

Name Executives At M. C. Jones Co.

NEW OFFICERS of the M. C. Jones Electronics Co., Inc., Bristol, Conn., recently purchased by the Bendix Aviation Corp., have been named.

G. E. Steiner, general manager of the Scintilla division of Bendix, was appointed president and a director. Stanley T. Urbank, one of the original founders of the Jones company and formerly chief executive officer, was named vice president, general manager and a director.

The Jones company, founded in 1947, manufactures equipment for monitoring coaxial transmission lines in both commercial and military applications. Bendix will promote the further development of Jones products and also continue the development of other items now being researched.



Appoint Reynolds Executive V-P

FRANK J. REYNOLDS, formerly vice president for operations, Stavid Engineering, Inc., Plainfield, N. J., was recently named to the new post of executive vice president of the company. His duties include responsibility for sales, preliminary design, engineering and manufacturing operations.

Reynolds joined Stavid in 1949 as contract manager and was appointed vice president for sales in 1952. Prior to that he was in charge of Navy contracts for the Western Electric Co. where he received the civilian Navy Department commendation for outstanding performance.

Ace Electronics Promotes Berni

LOUIS BERNI, chief engineer of Ace Electronics Associates, Inc., Somerville, Mass., has been named vice president in charge of engineering. He has been with the company since its inception in 1952, and his responsibilities will include overall

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Elsin Appoints M. L. Goodman

MAURICE L. GOODMAN, formerly general sales manager of Universal Transistor Products Corp., was recently named sales manager of Elsin Electronics Corporation's new facility in Syosset, New York.

Elsin manufactures precision electronic equipment for industry and the military.

News of Reps

Texport Company of Dallas, Texas, has been appointed manufacturer's rep for Sonotone Corp., Elmsford, N. Y., in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas.

A. H. "Bud" Hilker will represent Magnetics, Inc., Butler, Pa., in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia (with the exception of Arlington and Fairfax counties), maintaining headquarters in Winston-Salem, N. C.

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The Amerelay Corp., New Hyde Park, N. Y., names R. G. Daily Co. of Ann Arbor as its rep for the state of Michigan; and Emory Designs and Equipment Co. of Birmingham, Ala. for the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia and Tennessee.

Telerad Mfg. Corp., New York, N. Y., appoints three new reps:

G. B. Ellis Sales Co. of Palo Alto, Calif., for northern California and northern Nevada areas; Wallace & Wallace of Los Angeles, Calif., for southern California area; and Premmco of Arizona, of Scottsdale, Ariz., for Arizona, New Mexico and Utah areas.

Silicon Transistor Corp., Carle Place, N. Y., has appointed **Harold Gray Associates** of Tenafly, N. J., to cover northern New Jersey and metropolitan New York.

Chemtronics Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y., recently appointed Active Radio and T.V. Ltd. of Toronto, to represent it in Canada.

Newton Wayne has joined the G. E. Moxon Co., west coast electronic manufacturer's rep, and will act in the capacity of sales engineer.

Aero Electronics Corp., Gardena, Calif., manufacturer of Aeropot miniature wirewound trimming potentiometers, announces appointment of four new sales reps:

C. R. Dalton Associates of San Carlos, Calif., for northern California and Nevada; Electro-Mechanical Corp. of New Rochelle, N. Y., for all of New York state except metropolitan New York City; J. Neal and Co. of Miami, Fla., for Florida, Georgia and Alabama; and Wayne B. Palioca Co. of Lexington, Mass., for New England

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COMMENT

Hard Magnets

I must protest against the misleading implications and actual mistakes in your short article "Hard Magnets for 500 C" (p 63, Jan, 9).

As regards factual mistakes: curie points are wrongly stated for Alnico I and IV; BH_{max} of Indalloy has been increased approximately 10 times. You do not define permanent change, but I take this to mean a modification in the hysteresis loop characteristics as measured at room temperature; in which case the figure of 480 C for Alnico IV is very low.

As regards the general implications, we have carried out numerous investigations on the very similar alloys made in this country, and find that it is impossible to specify the conditions under which permanent magnets can be used at high temperatures without a clear definition of the considerations which arise. These include: a permanent change in the hysteresis loop; an irreversible loss of magnetization due to heating which can be removed by remagnetizing; when both the previous points have been covered, a reversible change in magnetization with temperature.

It is also necessary to give some consideration to the dimension ratio of the permanent magnet in question, and it is possible that your misleading information in particular arises from a poor choice of dimension ratios.

As regards use of temperatures up to 700 C with Alnico V and similar alloys, prolonged exposure to 700 C causes very marked changes in the demagnetization curve and is quite likely to involve flux losses of up to 75 percent. As regards the use of carbon steel or tungsten steel at 500 C, this temperature is nearly sufficient to cause complete annealing, and I feel sure that permanent magnets in these materials could not be considered satisfactory for such use.

J. E. GOULD PERMANENT MAGNET ASSOCIATION SHEFFIELD, ENGLAND

As we already mentioned in these columns previously, the BH_{max} of Indalloy was given as 9 million instead of 900,000 because

of a typographical error. Reader Gould's other comments regarding errors of fact or implication are substantiated by research reports prepared by his organization; our data was compiled chiefly from three Wright Air Development Center reports. One of these, WADC Technical Note 57-211, contained a serious error which was first brought to our attention by R. K. Tenzer, chief scientist of Indiana Steel Products Co.; the error is also caught in Reader Gould's last paragraph. Reader Tenzer wrote:

According to our experiments, Alnico V magnets show losses in excess of 20 percent when they are exposed to 700 C even for a period of only one hour. Remanence values determined at room temperature after the exposure were 39 to 70 percent below the original ones. The loss depended on the operating point of the magnet. . . . We can only warn people not to use Alnico V and VI magnets at 700 C. . . .

We are beginning to prepare a technical note about the influence of elevated temperatures on permanent magnet properties. This note will be published by the Department of Commerce. . . .

R. K. TENZER INDIANA STEEL PRODUCTS CO. VALPARAISO, IND.

The ironic thing is that the statement in WADC Technical Note 57-211, that Alnico V and VI magnets "are usable to 700 C with 20 percent loss of total energy," was supposed to have been part of a summary of Dr. Tenzer's own research results.

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