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MERCURY ARC HEATING

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A mercury pool unit supplying 100 or more kilowatts at several thousand cycles for induction heating and melting

• The term "electronic induction heating" often is used to describe the application of high frequency vacuum tube oscillators operating at several hundred thousand cycles per second to the heating of metals, but this term should also include the use of "mercury arc electronic



converters" which have recently been developed for operation at frequencies of the order of one thousand cycles per second.

Frequencies in the 1000 to 10,000 cycle range are used widely for induction heating for melting, forging, upsetting, bending, annealing, and steel hardening applications. For converting 25 and 60 cycle power into power at these frequencies there is a total capacity of several hundred thousand kilowatts of motor-generator equipment now installed in the United States. And for similar induction heating applications for forging and melting the first installations of mercury arc converters of 300 kw rating were made in 1944.

Mercury arc electronic frequency conversion equipment consists of a circuit-breaker, transformers, the water-cooled mercury arc converter, and a control and metering cubicle. The operating frequency is determined mainly by the circuit which consists of capacitors and the induction heating coil and by adjustment of the grid control, and this frequency bears no fixed relation to the power system frequency. Fig. 1 illustrates a typical method of installing this conversion equipment and Fig. 2 includes a circuit diagram.

In reference to these two illustrations, the delta primary winding of the 3-phase transformer unit can be designed for connection through a circuit breaker to any power system voltage. When power is available at up to 15000 volts ac, it is a preferred practice today to metal-clad switchgear supply equipment in which the vertical lift type oil circuit breaker or air blast breaker and ac metering equipment are inclosed in a sheet metal housing. This switchgear unit can be outdoor type throat connected to the transformer or

Fig. 1. At left is sketch of typical frequency converter installation of the Mercury Arc type

Fig. 2. Schematic of frequency changer using six grid controlled rectifiers. Anode current pulses are shown at right. Converted frequency is not harmonically related to line frequency



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FREQUENCY CONVERTER

an indoor type with cable connection. When 3-phase power is supplied to an industrial plant at a voltage in excess of 15000, an outdoor type frame mounted oil circuit breaker most generally is used.

The transformer consists of a 3phase, 60- or 25-cycle unit with neutral secondary reactor, and a single-phase high frequency unit with three center-tapped primary windings and a secondary output winding. The transformer components can be assembled in a single oil-filled case for ratings up to about 500 kw, but for higher output ratings, the size and weight make it more desirable to mount the high frequency transformer in a separate case.

The secondary winding of the three-phase transformer is zig-zag connected to avoid a steady component of residual magnetomotive force and thus prevent dc megnetization of the core. The neutral reactor of a few millihenries inductance serves effectively to smooth the dc in the cathode circuit and hence suppress the high frequency ripple component in the 60-cycle threephase transformer.

The mercury arc converter unit for output ratings from about 150 kw to 300 kw can be the multianode type with six anodes and grids and a single mercury pool in an evacuated tank, or for higher ratings, it can be a group of six or twelve single anode rectifiers (such as the Excitron*) in which each evacuated tank has its own mercury pool, anode, and grid. The graphite anodes of these tanks are connected to the terminals of the three primary windings of the high frequency transformer, and the secondary winding of this transformer supplies high frequency power to the induction heating coil and capacitor circuit

The circuit may be termed a selfrectified inverter, because if viewed from the ac input side, the power system is symmetrically loaded as though it were supplying power to a three-phase rectifier; if viewed from the single-phase output side, the induction heating circuit receives alternating current power produced from a supply source of a different frequency.

High frequency current does not flow in the windings of the three-

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DEVICE



Fig. 5. Control cubicle necessary for operation of unit shown in Fig. 4 contains grid control, arc excitation, and vacuum measuring apparatus

phase transformer. The current returning to the neutral point of the secondary winding of this transformer is rectified ac. One important difference between an ordinary inverter supplied from a dc source and a frequency converter of this type is that if the high frequency potentials supplied from the induction heating circuit to the grids becomes inadequate, the frequency converter simply ceases to operate.

Operating frequency

The frequency of the generated single-phase power is independent of the frequency of the three-phase power supply system so that a flexible frequency coupling exists between the two circuits. The operating frequency is determined primarily by the inductance and capacitance of the heating circuit. During the heating of a metallic charge in the inductor heating coil, the impedance of the charge is subject to continuous changes and hence the impedance of the inductor also will change. As a result the operating frequency continuously shifts automatically to compensate for these changes in impedance. This is an important advantage for this type of electronic frequency converter in comparison with a motor-generator set because if it operated at a fixed frequency in relation to the power system frequency, it would be necessary repeatedly to switch in capacitors to compensate for the changes in impedance.

Power factor

The power factor of induction heating coils is in many cases of the order of only 10 per cent so that it is always necessary to furnish a large bank of static capacitors with motor-generator or mercury arc frequency changers to supply the high reactive inductor current. This capacitor bank relieves the converter of having to supply the very high reactive component to the inductor heating coil, and enables the power factor to be corrected to close to unity.

However, as the effective impedance of the inductor coil changes during a heating process, and if a fixed frequency is maintained as is done with a motor-generator operating at a constant speed, the generator will be forced to supply high reactive currents and may become seriously overloaded by these re-



Fig. 6. Efficiency comparison between mercury arc and motor generator high frequency equipment. Mechanical windage losses reduce efficiency of MG sets at low output

active currents unless a very careful watch is kept of a power factor meter and capacitors are repeatedly switched in to maintain the power factor close to unity. With a mercury arc frequency changer, the high power factor automatically is maintained.

A cross-section of a mercury arc tank is shown in Fig. 3. This type of mercury arc tank has a graphite anode surrounded by a graphite grid and supported by insulators on the top plate of the tank. Directly below the grid are graphite baffle plates to shield the anode from the cathode spot formed on the mercury pool at the base of the tank. An auxiliary anode is located just above the center of the mercury pool and serves to maintain an excitation pilot arc continuously on the pool during operation. The auxiliary arc is supplied with current from a small selenium rectifier located in the control cubicle associated with the converter unit. A magnetically operated ignition device below the mercury pool is energized momentarily to establish the auxiliary pilot arc when the equipment is to be placed in service.

Deionization control

The cross-section diagram shows that this type of tank contains an insulated internal cooling coil. This coil has a flow of water of the order of one gallon per minute passed through it during operation to provide a cooled condensing surface for the mercury vapor formed by the arc currents. After condensing the mercury runs back to the pool at the base of the tank and thus The internal is never used up. cooling coil controls the temperature at which the tank is operated and thus regulates the mercury vapor pressure which has an important influence on the deionizing time of the grid.

After the passage of arc current through the grid, it is essential that the grid regain full blocking control while another tank is carrying current, so that when it again becomes its turn to carry current, the grid will release the flow of current at the proper instant. By operating the tank at high voltage and correspondingly low current, by proper design of the grid, and by efficient control of the temperature by means of an insulated water cooling coil, the deionizing time for the grid is of very short duration, so that operation at high power output and at frequencies of the order of 1,000 to 2,000 cycles per second can be attained.

The illustration in Fig. 4 shows a 6-tank unit with automatic vacuum pumping equipment. The control cubicle for a frequency changer installation is shown in Fig. 5. This cubicle contains the excitation equipment, vacuum measuring equipment, the grid control equipment with power output adjusting rheostat for regulating the grid circuits, control switches, and high frequency metering equipment.

In placing a mercury arc frequency changer in service, a negative blocking bias of the order of one hundred volts is applied to the grids from a small selenium rectifier in the control cubicle. Another control switch is also closed automatically to establish excitation pilot arcs in the tanks, and to start up the water circulating pump of a small water-to-water heat exchanger on the converter frame which automatically controls the water temperature circulated through the tank cooling coils. The main ac breaker can then be closed by a control switch on the cubicle to energize the three-phase transformer, but the unit will not furnish high frequency power to the induction heating circuit until the grids are released.

Starting oscillations

Operation at high frequency can be started by a push-button station on the control cubicle or by another push-button station remotely located at the induction heating furnace. When the "start" button is pressed, a small contactor in the cubicle picks up to release the negative blocking potential on the grids and thus to allow arc currents to be established cyclically in the tanks at the frequency of the induction heating circuit. This capacitive-inductive circuit is effectively shock excited and caused to oscillate by the first application of voltage across it, and control potentials are then fed back to the grids in proper phase relation to maintain power at the operating frequency of the circuit.

To limit the magnitude of the arc currents during the first instant of starting, a resistor is inserted in the cathode circuit. This resistor is shorted out in a small fraction of a second by the automatic closing of a dc contactor connected across it, so that full power is quickly fed to the heating circuit.

The output voltage and thus the output power in the induction heating coil can be regulated by means of a rheostat on the control cubicle which varies the phase angle at which the high frequency potentials are fed back to the grids.

The operation of the mercury arc tanks in converting three-phase 60cycle power into single-phase power at a frequency of the order of 1,000 cycles can be better understood by reference to the wave diagram included in Fig. 2. The top diagram shows the phase relation of the positive crests of the 60-cycle seccondary voltage waves supplied successively to the centertaps of the three primary windings of the high frequency transformer.

While phase A is at highest positive sine wave potential in relation to the other two phases, current flows alternately to tanks 1 and 2 through primary winding A of the single-phase transformer. Onethird of a cycle later when phase B of the 60-cycle supply voltage attains a higher positive value than phase A, tanks 3 and 4 carry current through the single-phase transformer winding B. During the last third of the 60-cycle frequency, tanks 5 and 6 carry current through winding C.

Each primary winding of the high frequency transformer thus operates cyclically, but because all these windings are on the same core with the secondary output winding, high frequency power is transferred continuously to the secondary winding and supplied to the induction heating resonant circuit.

Below the 60-cycle voltage wave diagrams are shown the dc cathode currents that flow successively through each secondary phase of the zig-zag winding of the 60-cycle transformer and back through the cathode reactor to the neutral point of the secondary winding. While this unidirectional current is flowing through phase A, for example, for 1/180th of a second, it potential from the high frequency feedback control circuit, an arc current will be initiated in tank 2, and will cease in tank 1. The space around the grid of tank 1 is quickly deionized so that the grid regains blocking control until it again is released.

Current paths

It is evident from the anode current diagrams that although the anode currents always flow in the same direction through the tanks from anode to cathode, these currents flow in opposite directions through each half of the primary winding. It is thus apparent that the current and voltage induced in the secondary winding of the high frequency single-phase transformer will be essentially ac sine waves as illustrated by the lowest wave diagram in Fig. 2.

In this elementary diagram, the current flowing through half of the primary winding to anode 1 induces the positive half of the sine wave in the secondary winding, and



Fig. 7. Oscillogram of 1000 cycle 1500 amp. current in induction heating load coil of mercury arc converter. Resonant condition in load circuit produces sine wave output from shock excitation produced by block waves from tubes

is transferred back and forth several times between tanks 1 and 2 by electronic grid control of these mercury arc tanks.

During the short interval that current is flowing through tank 1, it flows through one-half of the primary winding A of the high frequency transformer. This causes the terminal end of this half of this winding to be effectively connected to cathode potential, and a high positive potential to be induced on the opposite terminal end which is connected to anode 2. A short interval later when the grid of tank 2 is released by a positive the current flowing through the other half of the primary winding to anode 2 induces the negative half of the sine wave in the secondary winding of the single-phase transformer. Fig. 7 is a picture from a cathode ray oscillograph of a 1,000 cycle 1,500 ampere current wave in an induction heating coil circuit supplied by a mercury arc converter.

When current is transferred from anodes 1 and 2 after a third of a 60-cycle period to anodes 3 and 4, all four anodes may divide the current alternately at the transfer point until the positive ac 60-cycle voltage to anodes 1 and 2 becomes too low for them to continue to function. The entire current then will be transferred back and forth several times between anodes 3 and 4 during the next one-third of a 60-cycle period until the positive ac sine wave voltage becomes lower than that of phase C when anodes 5 and 6 will pick up and transfer current between them.

It is evident that the rate at which the pairs of anodes transfer current between them, and the momentary overlapping of four anodes when current is transferred between successive pairs is independent of the 60-cycle frequency, so that completely flexible coupling exists between the three-phase power system frequency and the single-phase induction heating circuit frequency.

Efficiency factors

The value of this feature cannot be emphasized too greatly because it means that the very high reactive currents required for the induction heating coil are continuously and automatically compensated by the capacitor without any direct demand on the active load current delivered by the mercury are frequency changer.

Capacitor switching equipment and constant vigilance on the part of an operator as required by a motor-generator to maintain a high power factor in order to avoid overloading the equipment can be completely dispensed with, and the electronic type converter can be operated at high efficiency at all times without careful supervision.

The inherent arc drop in a mercury arc Excitron tank is approximately 15 volts. By designing the zig-zag secondary winding of the three-phase transformer to operate at an effective voltage of about 1,500 volts, the arc drop loss is only 1 per cent, and the conversion efficiency is about 99 per cent. The auxiliary equipment such as vacuum pumps, excitation circuits, and automatic water cooling equipment reduce the converter efficiency to about 98 per cent. The iron and copper losses in the transformers further reduce the efficiency so that at full load the overall electrical efficiency of the mercury arc frequency conversion equipment from the three-phase power supply system to the single-phase output transformer terminal is about 92 per cent.

Fig. 6 illustrates the efficiency of this type of electronic converter as compared with a motor-generator set. A highly efficient motor of about 95 per cent efficiency may be selected but the windage losses in The development of high power electronic frequency changing equipment for converting power into the higher frequencies required for efficient induction heating of large masses of metals is one more example where electronics offers a new and better means for the advancement of science and the production of goods for mankind.

the multi-pole high frequency generator usually result in the efficiency of this part of the machine being only about 90 per cent, so that the overall efficiency of the machine at full load is only about 85 per cent. Some machines of 1,000 kw rating and higher have been hydrogen cooled to reduce windage losses and gain 2 per cent to 3 per cent in efficiency.

When operating at less than full load, it is characteristic of mercury arc conversion equipment that a much higher efficiency can be maintained at light loads with this static type equipment than with rotating type equipment. This is one of the reasons why several million kilowatts of mercury arc rectifiers have been installed in the United States in recent years in preference to rotary converters or motor-generator sets. Fig. 7 illustrates the large difference in efficiency that exists over a wide loading range between a mercury arc electronic converter and a motorgenerator set and indicates the substantial savings in power that can be effected with electronic conversion equipment.

Idling losses

In some applications of induction heating where power is used only intermittently, the idling losses of the mercury arc equipment would be negligible because the grids can be blocked electronically, even without switching out the breaker. It would not be practical in many cases repeatedly to start and stop a motor-generator in this type of service, so the idling power cost in keeping the machine rotating could be quite an expense.

Motor-generator sets for induction heating applications can be built with motors for 2,300 or 4,160 volt service, but it is not economical to design machines for connection to power system lines brought into industrial plants at higher voltages. It is often necessary therefore to obtain a stepdown transformer and circuit breaker equipment to reduce the incoming power system voltage to a lower voltage for the motor. This results in an additional loss in efficiency of about 2 per cent for motor-generator frequency changers in comparison to mercury arc converters that can be designed for direct connection to the incoming power system line voltage.

One advantage of a motor-generator is that when the 60-cycle power factor load of an industrial plant is a problem, a synchronous motor can be supplied on the machine. If the induction heating unit is operated continuously at full load, the synchronous motor can be operated to help to improve the ac power factor to the extent of its rating in comparison to the poor power factor load of a plant. However, if the rating of the motor-generator is low in comparison to the plant load and if it is not run continuously at full load for induction heating, it will not be an important asset for power factor correction of the ac metered power.

Power factor

The three-phase mercury arc converter with six Excitron tanks operates at a lagging power factor of about 83 per cent. Higher power units with twelve tanks or two sixtank units can be operated at a lagging power factor of about 93 per cent equivalent to the power factor of a six-phase rectifier load. These power factors are generally well above the minimum limits allowed by the electric utilities, and so, in general, present no problem. The load on the power system is similar to that of a mercury arc rectifier of which there are many hundreds in service in this country today supplying dc power to electric traction systems, electrochemical plants, steel mills, mines, and many types of industrial plants.

The power factor of the ac system of an industrial plant can be improved, if required, by connecting static capacitors to the power lines, but the power factor of the self-rectified mercury arc inverter is so much higher than many other types of equipment that capacitors seldom are required because of a mercury arc converter load.

The power factor on the ac system should not be confused with the power factor of the high frequency induction heating coil which is automatically compensated by the capacitors and by the flexible coupling that exists between the power supply system and the high frequency circuit as previously described.

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Modern technics involved in the accurate measurement of power in wave quides at frequencies over 1000 mc

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be introduced immediately.

SHF POWER MEASURING

• Measurement of high frequency power delivered out of a wave guide or coaxial cable in the ranges above 1,000 megacycles presents problems quite different from those existing in the lower frequencies. Even a slight amount of consideration makes it evident that leading the current into an indicating meter and obtaining a direct reading of the required quantity is impossible, because one of the principal points to keep in mind concerning centimeter waves is the ease with which they are attenuated, dispersed or reflected.

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Consequently, not only must the basic method of measurement be sound, but there must be assurance that the power measured is actually the power available at the point where it is to be used. It must also be kept in mind that the power generated may, and in fact almost always does, contain harmonics of the frequency in which the user is interested. Therefore a question to be decided is whether the power to be measured is the total power of the fundamental plus the harmonics, or just the power of the fundamental. In the latter case, the ques-

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Fig. 1. Resistance in open air of a bead Thermister when dc is passed through it

To illustrate the problem and a solution, let us assume that it is desired to measure the power of a wave of 3cm. length (in free air)

tion of harmonic suppression would

appearing at the opening of a rectangular wave guide, and that adjustments are to be made in the supply apparatus to produce at this point a power level of 2 milliwatts. How can this be done to a high order of accuracy?

Heating effect

At present, the only satisfactory method is to make the measurement by a determination of the heating effect of this rf power. Since heat is difficult to measure directly with any degree of accuracy, a secondary effect derived from the influence of heat must be measured. An easy way of doing this is to measure a change of re-

Fig. 2. Power dissipated in Thermister heats it and unbalances bridge

Fig. 3. Bridge is first balanced with known resistance equal to characteristic impedance of wave guide

POWER / FLOW SECTION OF GAL V DC WAVE GUIDE SUPPLY THERMISTER LOCATED AT POINT OF MEASUREMENT www DIAL . DECADE DC SUPPLY BOX. . GALV LAWA MILLIAMMETER

sistance produced by this heat in a resistance element.

However, it is necessary to make the rate of escape of heat reasonably constant with respect to the rate of input of heat, as otherwise, the temperature reached by the detecting element, and therefore its resistance change, would vary more or less from measurement to measurement. The more sensitive the resistance element is to temperature changes, and the more nearly it is operated at a temperature close to ambient temperature, the the greater the precautions will have to be to prevent variations in ambient conditions from affecting the readings.

The basic circuit of the power measurement method is shown in Fig. 2. Naturally, the first problem is to determine the material to be used as a power sensitive device whose resistance will vary with temperature. Two kinds of material have been successfully employed, namely fine fuse wires, and Thermisters.* Both of these materials have negative temperature coefficients. That is, their resistance drops as their temperature increases. Fine fuse wires suitable for this work have been obtained from small ten mil. glass enclosed fuses, but they have almost no overload capacity and hence burn out very readily.

High sensitivity

Certain metallic oxides, when formed as a junction blob between two fine wires, the whole being enclosed in a glass bead about 1/4 in. long, are marketed under the name of Thermisters by the Western Electric Co. These have a much sharper change in resistance with temperature and are therefore more sensitive. They also possess substantial overload capacity. Changes from an initial value of about 800 ohms to about 40 ohms can be produced in such beads by direct currents increasing in value from one to 30 milliamperes as shown in Fig. 1.

*See pp. 76, Electronic Industries, Jan. 1945.



Before power is turned on the circuit of Fig. 2 can be balanced either by changing the variable arm of the bridge, or by changing the amount of direct current flowing through the Thermister, thus altering its resistance. For reasons to be explained shortly, both of these methods are used.

When the power is turned on, some of it will be absorbed by the Thermister, and dissipated therein as heat. This will change the resistance of the Thermister, unbalancing the bridge and causing the galvanometer to read a value depending on the amount of unbalance. To make this reading quantitatively accurate, it is necessary to know the meaning of the relationship between power flow and meter readings.

Temperature control

Thermisters are not linear devices. The change in resistance with change of current flowing, or correspondingly, with change of temperature, depends on the op-Therefore, erating temperature. to permit the initial temperature the Thermister to change is, of if high accuracy is desired, to introduce undesirable complications. Furthermore, to measure the power in the wave, it is necessary that all of the power be absorbed by the Thermister. This means that no reflections can be permitted to exist, as these would seriously decrease the measured power by dissipation along the wave guide.

The wave guide is a transmission line having a characteristic impedance which should be purely resistive. To avoid reflections, it is necesary that the termination, or power absorbing device at the end of the line match the characteristic impedance of the guide exactly. If, during measurement, the resistance of the Thermister is allowed to change, exact matching will be lost and reflections will immediately be created. Hence, to make a correct measurement, it is obligatory to make the Thermister resistance equal to the characteristic impedance of the guide and keep it there during the measurement.

Balance maintained

Before starting, therefore, an accurate dial decade box, previously checked with a good Wheatstone bridge, is substituted for the Thermister, as shown in Fig. 3, and is set at the value of the characteristic impedance of the guide. The bridge circuit shown is then balanced by changing the variable arm of the bridge until the meter reads null. The Thermister is then reintroduced, and the dc supply is adjusted, thereby changing the Thermister resistance until the circuit is again balanced. After this, it is well to recheck the resistance with the decade box, as the change in total bridge current may have affected the value of one of the other arms, particularly if poor quality resistors have been used.

Now, when rf power is turned on,

Fig. 6. Construction details of a power measuring device for 1000 mc. The cap at top is insulated from main body



and the galvanometer in Fig. 3 deflects, indicating a change in Thermister resistance, it can be brought back to null by a decrease of dc bridge current. This restores the resistance of the Thermister to its previous value. If the dc through the Thermister was I₁, amps before rf power was turned on, and I2, amps after, the power in the wave which has been substituted for the dc power to keep the Thermister at the same temperature and resistance value, can be calculated from the equation:

$\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{I}_1 - \mathbf{I}_2)^2 \mathbf{R}$

Where P = Power in electric wave in watts, R = Constant resistance of Thermister in ohms.

It would not be unusual to wish to measure 100 microwatts with an accuracy of 2%. If the Thermister resistance is 200 ohms, 2% of 100, or 2 microwatts can be indicated by a change in current of 100 microamps. The dc meter used should therefore have a sensitivity such that this value can be read easily.



Fig. 5. Application of bridge to coaxial cable output. Stubs used to eliminate harmonics

In order to avoid reflections, the Thermister must be placed in a mount which can be matched to the wave guide so that there is no change of surge impedance at the junction point.

Standing waves

To make sure of the absence of reflections or standing waves, it is necessary to introduce into the wave guide a pickup probe which can be moved along the guide and to which is connected a rectifying crystal and meter. Such a section of wave guide, called a slotted line, will indicate, by the variations in readings, the presence of nodes of voltage, or standing waves.

If the voltage is uniform as one progresses along the axis of the wave guide, there are obviously no standing waves. If the voltage is not uniform, the ratio of peak to valley voltages, or voltage standing wave ratio, will indicate the amount of reflections being intro-

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duced by some discontinuity further along the guide toward the power receiving end. By proper adjustment or alteration of the part creating the discontinuity, and simultaneous measurement of the voltage standing wave ratio until it reaches unity, it is possible to obtain optimum power transfer. For sensitive detection of variations in voltage picked up by a slotted line probe, it is often necessary to employ a high gain amplifier to actuate the indicating meter. Such an arrangement is shown in Fig. 4.

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While the discussion so far has been related to very short waves, the method described is of equal usefulness with waves of about 1,000 megacycles, or around 30 centimeters. Here, wave guides are not used as their dimensions would be too large, and the wave, or current is handled by means of coaxial cables. The current to be measured is led to the Thermister by wire connection instead of by an electric field in space, but the same

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Fig. 4. Slotted section of wave guide with movable crystal bearing probe connected to high gain amplifier used to detect presence of standing waves

HIGH FREQUENCY POLICE EQUIPMENT

• A new experimental 161.775 mc FM transmitter and receiver for emergency police use was demonstrated by the General Electric Co., to a meeting of the New York Chapter of the Associated Police Communication Officers, Inc., at Schenectady, late in April. The communication officers were taken to the General Electric Helderberg mountain transmitter site, where the receiving set was installed. The transmitter was mounted in an automobile which was driven around while maintaining constant communication with the Helderberg station.

Reception from the car was perfectly clear at all times, and even when the car was passing under a bridge the transmission could be heard with normal volume. The car was driven to Glens Falls, a distance of about 51 miles, where the transmission was still well heard even though its transmitter has an output of only 4 watts. This new frequency (161.775 mc) is in that part of the radio spectrum which the Federal Communications Commission has proposed for new emergency communication uses by police and fire departments and by railroads, trucks, buses, etc. In order to obtain the transmission frequency, the transmitter multiplies its crystal controlled fundamental frequency 72 times.

The receiver, which has an unusual sensitivity of 0.1 microvolt, (Continued on page 158)

Fig. 1. Block diagram of the circuit in the General Electric 161.775 mc police emergency receiver. Two frequency conversions obtained by heterodyning twice with a single oscillator reduce the carrier frequency to 445kc for if amplification





Three different arrangements of the 44-to-108 mc band are offered. In the simplified chart above, Am stands for Amateur; F, Facsimile; Ed. FM, Educational FM; T, Television, and N non-governmental fixed and mobile. Which of the three proposals will be adopted by FCC will be determined by engineering tests to be conducted during the summer

FM-TELE ALLOCATIONS DELAYED

• FM is still up in the air—but not yet "upstairs". After more than six months' deliberations, set in motion as a result of the public hearings covering allocations of the radio-frequency spectrum instituted by Federal Communications Commission last October, the Commission on May 17 made official, except for a few changes, the "proposed" allocations made public in January.

According to the official version, FM is to occupy one of three spots in the spectrum, though that particular spot will not be known until later in the summer after FCC engineers, in collaboration with industry engineers, conclude a series of tests designed to determine definitely the best of the three alternatives. The tests will be conducted by a joint committee under the chairmanship of the Commission's chief engineer, George P. Adair.

Alternatives free tele

In the meantime, television remains in its present general position except that video service also has been allotted one additional channel lying between 174 and 180 mc, bringing the total television channels up from 12 to 13. It is pointed out that two of the three alternative allocations suggested for the 44-108 region would make possible immediate use of all television channels.

In the "proposed" report it was noted that the television channel

Three alternatives suggested, with final determination resting on tests this summer—One more television channel making 13 below 300 mc—Industrial band widened

from 72 to 78 mc would not be usable until the aviation markers centered on 75 mc were moved. Under alternatives 1 and 2 the band around 75 mc has been assigned to services other than television, and television has been given assignments that will not have to wait until other services move out. This would make available the 13 channels below 300 mc, all of which could be assigned to television immediately. There is also available much space above 400 mc for experimental and development purposes.

The new allocations table makes the unassigned space available as follows: 2 mc are added contiguous to the FM band of 18 mc width wherever that band is finally placed. Initially these 2 mc will be available for stations rendering a facsimile service exclusively, but manufacturers of FM receivers are urged to include these 2 mc in new FM receivers as eventually it is contemplated that facsimile may move above 400 mc. No separate assignment below 400 mc has been made for facsimile, except that FM stations may be authorized to use facsimile during hours when they are not rendering aural service.

As to when service is to be started under new allocations, nothing definite is stated. The wording of the report states: "These allocations

SOME HOME RADIOS BY MID-SUMMER?

The reconversion picture has already started to change from the original WPB forecasts with its two formulas of the transition for the radio-electronic industry to civilian production. Revaluation of the Signal Corps-Army Air Forces-Navy procurement programs is now in the works and may produce in the next 30 or 60 days some sharp cutbacks, particularly for the smaller end-equipment companies.

Out of this situation, ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES through its Washington bureau secured speculation by authoritative WPB and OPA officials, together with hints from the military services, that some home receivers may be produced for the civilian market by mid-summer. One WPB competent official predicted such production by July. The OPA officials have geared their price-determination machinery so as to catch sets on the market in 90 days. WPB sources felt that end-equipment companies which have their military contracts greatly curtailed could get "spot authorizations" for civilian production out of components that are not needed by the armed services.

Components, including tubes, are still very tight, however. The backlogs of the component industry, notably tubes and transformers, are the largest since October.

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will probably be ordered into effect service by service, with the Commission taking into account such factors as the availability of manpower and materials, the result of the Inter-American conference at Rio de Janeiro (slated for September 1—Editor) and the preparation of the Commission's rules and standards. Of course, any allocations made by the Commission are subject to being changed to conform to the provisions of international agreements."

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The reason for not making FM allocations at this time is ascribed to the desire of the Commission to complete tests which will set at rest all questions regarding the best position in the spectrum for the best service. Ever since the hearings that were held in Washington last October, there has been concerted and practically continuous opposition to the proposal that FM be moved way "upstairs" to the proposed 84-102 band. Major Armstrong himself, has been the Commission's severest critic, and it is unquestionably as a result of his criticism and testimony, coupled with that of many others, that brought about the determination to make no further move without the

NEW ALLOCATION CHARTS WILL BE DELAYED

The new four-color charts of the 1945 FCC Radio Frequency Allocations which have been in course of preparation for Electronic Industries' subscribers (see pages 73 and 222 of this issue) will now be delayed as the result of the Commission's postponement of definite announcement of the important FM and television channel locations.

As soon as authoritative channel assignments are available, the charts will be completed and made ready for subscribers.—Editors

result of conclusive tests to back it up.

That the tests may delay radio set production to some extent appears inevitable, though the Com-

mission points out in its report that "the decision not to make a final allocation for FM at this time would not in any way hamper the future development of that service because the Commission has received advice from the War Production Board that the radio industry will not resume production of new AM and FM and television transmitters or receivers 'in 1945 or even in the first part of 1946 unless Japan capitulates. This is not to say that a small quantity of receivers and possibly a few transmitters may not be made available. However, this will have little or no effect on the future expansion of AM, FM and television services." The War Production Board has also advised the Commission that in the event there is any change in its prediction, it will give 90 days' advance notice."

One other important change has been made from the "proposed" allocations. The band in the 27 mc region available for scientific, industrial and medical devices including diathermy machines, was enlarged in accordance with recommendations of manufacturers from a channel width of 30 kc to one of 270 kc.

INDUSTRY LEADERS COMMENT ON ALLOCATIONS PROGRAM

Of course it is impossible for us to plan for domestic radio set production with FM reception until FCC makes firm allocation of frequencies. I understand ninety days before WPB authorizations for peacetime radio production are granted. FCC will freeze allocation. Believe this is unworkable because: first, time is needed for design of FM equipment after frequency allocations are made and, secondly, believe WPB will grant production approval without being able to anticipate this time by ninety days. My personal position is that decision on frequency allocation should be made immediately; in fact, it is long overdue. The whole radio program for re-entry into civilian business will be severely handicapped by the announced program. If tubes, resistors, and capacitors become available due to reduction in military requirements, the industry can make domestic radio sets in substantial quantities within thirty days .----R. C. Cosgrove, Vice President and Gen. Mgr., The Crosley Corp.

The Commission's final frequency allocations above 25 megacycles will clear the way for many new and valuable applications of the radio art. The assignment of 13 channels below 300 megacycles to television and the announced intention of giving FM an 18 megacycle band with an eventual extension to 20 megacycles provides ample room for these services to develop their full usefulness to the public. The delay in determining the final position of FM will have no effect on Hallicrafter's plans as our line has included an FM receiver covering all three of the possible alternatives for the past five years. However. we feel that manufacturers of home

radios may be hard pressed to complete their designs if actual production should start with only the 90-day notice promised by the WPB and we hope that the FCC's tests will be completed as soon as possible. We regret the slight reduction of some of the amateur bands below the widths which were announced in the FCC's original proposal, particularly the loss of 300 kilocycles in the 28 megacycle band and we hope that the Commission will be able to recompense the amateurs for this loss when the allocations below 25 megacycles are announced.—W. J. Halligan, President, Hallicrafters Co., Chicago.

FCC allocation report shows judicial attitude on final allocations in lower frequencies at the same time revealing unshaken determination to foster early advent of higher quality television in full color in higher frequencies. CBS is wholly committed to demonstrating such improved television pictures on the air at the earliest possible date and finds nothing but encouragement in the FCC report.—Paul Kesten, Vice President and General Manager, CBS, New York.

While the delay in exact television channel assignments by FCC will hold up the design of telesets by some months, we do not feel this delay will be serious to the new video art. When the Commission's decision is finally announced, television engineers will push the design of sets and the changeover of stations so that the new television industry can be ready to go immediately.—J. R. Poppele, President, Television Broadcasters Association; Chief Engineer, WOR, New York.

No comment .--- Edwin H. Armstrong, Pro-

fessor of Electrical Engineering, Columbia University, New York.

Excellent. I am delighted by the Federal Communications Commission's wise decision to conduct tests to determine the best wave band for FM, instead of arbitrarily kicking it upstairs to the undesirable and untried 84-102 megacycle band.

Although the preponderance of technical experts favored leaving FM in the 50 megacycle area where it was given unequalled service for the past five years, a series of tests to further prove that this is the best location will be helpful.

I am confident that these tests will indicate the desirability of assigning to FM the 50-68 megacycle band. Rather than the alternative bands of 68-86 or 84-102 megacycles which have been proposed. The selection of the 50-68 megacycle band will save the public millions of dollars in the purchase of new radios. If FM cannot use the 50 to 68 megacycle band, then certainly television cannot, because television is much more susceptible to interference than is FM.

Should, as I believe probable, the final decision be to place FM in the 50-68 megacycle band, I earnestly recommend that for a period of two or three years the Commission widen it to include also 48-50 megacycles. These are in tuning range of FM sets now in the hands of the public, and by assigning a number of stations to these frequencies present set owners would continue to get service from their receivers.

Unless FM is ready to go on the day we get the green light from WPB, tens of thousands of new jobs will be lost.— Commander E. F. McDonald, Jr., President, Zenith Radio Corp., Chicago.

SELECTING COAX CABLE

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Economy, power, frequency and service involved in choice of proper type of transmission lines

• New types of rf cables have been developed during the war which will influence the planning of all radio transmitter installations. The engineer will often have to decide between the recently developed solid dielectric cables and the more familiar air insulated cables. Each type has certain advantages, so an intelligent choice can be made only after the merits of each are weighed and compared.

In this article we attempt to measure the merits of each type of cable as closely as possible in the same unit—dollars. Once this is accomplished for a particular installation, the choice between cables is immediately seen. When we attempt to make general statements of price and cost, the accuracy may be much lower than an engineer likes. It is therefore suggested that in a specific application the reader may well make his own assumptions of cost and repeat the entire calculation, rather than accept the conclusions given in this article.

The usual practice in the past has been to select the smallest (and lowest cost) cable which will handle the power with a satisfactory factor of safety. In most installations this practice is uneconomical because power losses are rather high. and rf power is quite costly. We propose to make the necessary calculations to obtain a proper balance between original cost of cable with installation costs, and cost of power lost during operation. This kind of calculation is regularly used in planning large installations of 60 cycle power circuits.

Mechanical considerations

The commonly used types of cables which form the basis for the following examples are shown in Fig. 1 and data regarding them is given in Table 1 and Fig. 2.

In some services, operating conditions permit only one type of cable. For example, the organic insulation used in the solid dielectric type of cables will not stand This article gives an outline of the procedure used in determining the most economical type of high frequency cable for a given application. Where doubt may be entertained as to the particular type of cable best suited, the actual conditions of power loss costs and cable costs should be used.—Editor

up under high temperatures, so in certain locations only the air insulated cables with their steatite support beads can be used.* Where the cable is repeatedly bent, the flexible construction of the solid dielectric cables is necessary.

In mobile services such as automobiles, tanks, and aircraft, or in installations which must be quickly

Fig. 1—Illustrating the construction of typical transmission line designs upon which economic comparisons made in the text are based

installed or frequently moved such as occur in some military equipment, the easy handling of the flexible, solid dielectric cables is so essential that they must be used in spite of their higher power losses.

The solid dielectric cables usually cost less than air insulated cables of similar power handling ability. The air insulated cables require numerous accessories and greater labor to install.

Power ratings

The transmitter power ratings and maximum power ratings for cables used in this article refer to carrier ratings of an amplitude modulated transmitter. For a CW, FM, or pulse transmitter, a value of $\frac{1}{4}$ of the peak power should be used.

The theoretical point of failure of a coaxial cable is about 50 times (Continued on page 154)

*The safe operating temperature of the usual polyethelene insulated cable is under 85 deg. C. depending on the type.



Type number	RG-8/U	RG-19/U	83	737	8 8			
Insulation	solid	solid	a'r	air	air			
Diameter, inches	0.405	1.120	0.375	0.875	2.125			
Price per foot	\$0.18	1.08	0.25	0.60	1.35			
Maximum power, watts	2,000	20,000	250	2,000	10,000			
Table 1								

Cost of power lost at \$10 per watt Cost of cable connectors. Cost of 3 junction boxes.... Cost of 3 cable terminals.... Cost of dry air pump...... Cost of installation at \$3 per hour per hour Basic manufacturer's data used in cost calculations in table 2. Prices TOTAL COST per foot are based on best present estimates

Table 2

Calculations for 200 foot transmission line carrying 1,000 watts at 1 mc

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RG-8/U 70

Cable type Power loss, watts Cost of power lost at \$10

RG-19/U 22

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451

83

20

586

737

30

380

88 6

100

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Fig. 3-Chart for 50 foot lines; Fig. 4, for 500 foot lines and Fig. 5 for 1000 foot lines. Fig. 3 assumes a non-pressurized line in the air insulated Pressure maintenance is assumed for Figs, 4 and 5. In each case the horizontal dashed line boundaries are established by the safe power cases. handling capacity, and the vertical dot-dashed line by the bead spacing in the air dielectric cables. The curved and sloping boundaries are set by calculations of loss and cost as described in the text

Fig. 2-Loss characteristics of cable types illustrated in Fig. 1. The exponential character of the losses with frequency makes it necessary to apply manufacturers' data at the desired operating frequency when making any comparisons of operating economy. Size is an important factor and a large, solid dielectric cable may have less toss than a smaller air dielectric cable









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Fig. 2. The 24-dipole receiving (left) and transmitting (right) arrays used at Arlington, Vt., relay site

Philadelphia. New York telecasts are relayed by a booster station (now at Mt. Rose, N. J.), to their television station WPTZ in Philadelphia for re-broadcast to the audience in that area.

Another outstanding development in the field of television relay operation recently has been demonstrated by Philco engineers. This network is considerably more elaborate than others previously demonstrated. It consists of four jumps of approximately forty miles each from Washington, D. C., to Phila-delphia. A total of six transmitters handle the television program as it originates in Washington.

Relay transmitters

Five of these transmitters are rated at 40 watts each and operate in the frequency channels of 204-216 mc or 230-242 mc. The location of the relays and their operating frequencies are shown in Fig. 1. That is, transmitters at alternate relay points operate on different channels so that received signals

200 mc Multiple relay television network installed by Philco engineers connects Washington, D. C. and Philadelphia tele broadcast station WPTZ

Fig. 1. Locations of receiving and transmitting equipment in television network

Television radio relays and coaxial cable systems for chaining programs have been in operation for a number of years in this country. The 1940 Republican National Convention held in Philadelphia was brought to television receiver owners in the Metropolitan New York area over the Bell System coaxial cable from Philadelphia to New York-a distance of approximately 90 miles. A two-jump television relay network between New York and Schenectady has also been in operation for a number of years. This network consists of a main hop from the Empire State Building in New York City to a pickup station on Helderburg Mountain outside Schenectady, and from there to a nearby broadcast transmitter, a distance of approximately 127 airline miles.

Since 1941, Philco engineers have operated a two-stage television relay system between New York and



FOR TELEVISION RELAY

Perhaps the foremost problem in the development of commercial television for domestic use is the one concerning network programs. The cost of staging a television program is consider-ably greater than that of a corresponding sound program and it becomes necessary and desirable, therefore, to chain together many cities for the same program. This chain operation will result in reduced costs and greater variety of programs and will therefore promote the ex-pansion of the television broadcasting industry. The availability of sight and sound programs throughout large areas will of course speed the purchase of radio and television receivers by the public and in turn advance the growth of this new art.

at any relay point are not obscured by the transmitted signals from the same relay station.

The 40-watt relay transmitters use a lighthouse type tube in a transmission line type of frequency controlled circuit. The transmitters are housed, along with other equipment, in automobile type trailers which are located at the base of the 100 - foot towers supporting separate transmitting antenna arrays and separate receiving antenna arrays. The antenna towers are of structural steel with a triangular cross section. The towers and equipment at Arlington are shown in Fig. 2.

Site selection

The sites at which the towers were erected were chosen with the idea of having each location in direct view of the relay point on each side and which gave a minimum terrain clearance of 100 feet at any point along the path. The principal reason for selecting the site to give a minimum of 100foot terrain clearance, was to make it possible to use frequencies above 1,000 megacycles for future experimental work and not be troubled by power absorption by objects along the transmission path. The towers are within relatively close distances to power line facilities so that all four of the relay points



Fig. 3. Video momitoring equipment at Stater Hotel in Washington, reference marks are placed an the various monitor CR tubes for establishing synchronizing levels, etc.

Fig. 4. Transmitter room at Statler Hotel showing main transmitter at tar left, and stand-by equipment at right. Telephone corcuit connects operator with all relay sites





equipment is available to make the network two-way operating.

Each relay point along the line is manned by engineers. This is done in order to permit study of actual operating conditions rather than a necessity of having an "attended" relay station. Each relay point consists of receiving, monitoring and transmitting equipment along with associated power apparatus.

Line controlled

The receiving equipment consists of a resonant line frequency controlled receiver with an if system at approximately 39 megacycles. The receiver is complete and independent of the transmitter. The picked-up signal is amplified and demodulated down to video fre-

Fig. 5—(Below) Momoscope, scanning and synchronizing generators for relay network testing at Arlington, Va., site

Fig. 6—At left is 40-watt relay transmitter, receiving and monitoring equipment for video as used at each relay point

are operated from commercial power. Emergency gasoline power generating equipment also is available at each point.

The antenna arrays mounted atop the towers are substantially identical. One tower is used to carry the receiving array, while the other mounts the transmitting array. The antenna system consists of 24 dipoles in a reflector-radiator combination, giving a gain of approximately 24. When used with the 40-watt transmitter, the overall reliability of the system is quite high.

Relay operation

To prevent interference between a transmitter and an adjacent receiver, different transmitting and receiving frequencies are used. Also the antenna arrays are oriented for minimum coupling. At present, the relay network operates in one direction only, from Washington to Philadelphia. However, quency. The video frequencies are then used to modulate the transmitter.

This system is different from that used in the General Electric New York to Schenectady relay in which the amplified signal as picked up by the receiver is kept at a radio frequency level and is then amplified by linear amplifiers, and the modulation is never rectified down to video frequencies except for bridging monitor purposes.

This Philco system in which the receivers actually demodulate the incoming television signal at each point, makes the system somewhat more flexible. It becomes fairly easy to inject video modulation into the transmitter at any point for test purposes.

The first relay point at Arlington, Virginia, shown in Fig. 2, is used to pick up the signal from Washington, D. C., where in the case of a recent demonstration of the network, a transmitter mounted atop the Hotel Statler in Washington, transmitted the video program to the first pickup point. The video monitoring equipment as set-up in the Hotel Statler is shown in Fig. 3. The 236 mc transmitter, monitoring, and standby transmitter are shown in Fig. 4.

Monoscope testing

At this first pickup point additional testing equipment is used in the form of a monoscope, which can be used to inject a signal into the relay system for transmission along the circuits to Philadelphia where it can be analyzed and studied. Complete signal generating equipment in the form of scanning and blanking generators also is housed at this first relay point at Arlington. This equipment, shown in Fig. 5 is housed in the sheet metal building pictured in Fig. 2. The rack mounted equipment is

Fig. 7-Block diagram of equipment used at each relay set-up. Frequency control of receiver and transmitter is by resonant transmission line sections. Note that received signal is rectified down to video



F. J. Bingley, chief television engineer for Philco, F.C.C. chairman Paul A. Porter (center) and Philco president John Ballantyne (right) look over map of relay network



arranged for convenient testing and maintenance.

To facilitate checking on the network, a complete wire telephone hookup is available for simultaneous communication with any or all of the five transmitter points. This whole system permits comparison of engineering data at each of the points along the route.

The receiving and monitoring equipment and 40-watt transmitter, as used in each of the four relay points are shown in Fig. 6. A block diagram of the essential equipment at each relay point is shown in Fig. 7. This equipment is housed in the automobile trailers located at each of the four points along the line. A standby transmitter (not shown) is opposite the relay transmitter at the extreme left. The television signal from the last relay point, Honeybrook, Pennsylvania, is picked up at Philadelphia for final broadcasting through the Philco Station WPTZ in Philadelphia.

The results of the relay system, from an engineering standpoint, were considered to be quite satisfactory. Signal strength was adequate to give reliable pictures over the entire circuit. The use of higher frequencies would permit a sharper antenna beam with consequent power gains. The use of an extremely high frequency, along with very narrow antenna beams will also present the problem of instability through shifting of the antenna beams with distortion of the towers as a result of wind and other factors.

Tower design

This particular problem of instability at very high relay frequencies undoubtedly will be solved in the postwar period by changes in antenna and tower design, now in the course of development.

A number of other uses for relay networks of this type present themselves. A network of such towers stretching across the country would form a very practical airway beacon system. In such periods when television may not be transmitted over the network, facsimile, multiplex telegraphy, etc., could be handled along the networks.

The radio relay methods of handling wide band information such as television, may be the answer to the necessary rapid expansion of television. It would probably require less time to establish a radio relay network than to perform the same chaining operation by other methods.

This television relay has proven successful on its first public trial. On April 17th a program originating in Washington was relayed by the *(Continued on page 162)*

MULTI-CHANNEL ARMY

When General McAulliffe's 101st Division was completely surrounded at Bastogne last December, with all wire communications cut off, it was nevertheless able to maintain constant intelligence traffic with corps headquarters in substantial volume. What made this possible was radio link AN/TRC-3, the details of which are now revealed to the public for the first time. This series of equipments was used extensively during the invasion of France, not only for field communications, but also between London and the Continent.

One of these equipments was mounted in a truck with a spare in a trailer. When it looked as if the 101st Division was going to be surrounded, the corps signal officer sent the truck towing the trailer into Bastogne. It was the last vehicle to enter the town before the Germans completed their encirclement. The trailer was hit and destroyed. However, the truck was undamaged and throughout the entire period until the Division was relieved, it had telephone and teletype communications with corps headquarters entirely over this radio link.

Complete systems

This series of equipments features complete communication systems ready to install and operate in a matter of four hours. Not only are transmitting and receiving sets supplied, but there also are antenna systems, spare parts, tools, rope, tape, in fact everything that



Antenna system completely installed in the field. The radiator, director and reflector element lengths and spacings must be adjusted for the operating frequency. Direction of transmission must be established by exact sighting

Transmitter, 250-watt amplifier and power supply conveniently arranged for field use (left) and receiver (right) in its field case





COMMUNICATIONS SET

Installable in four hours, equipment provides for code, voice, teleprinter, carrier and as automatic repeater

is needed to set up and operate in any location. The sets, designated AN/TRC-1, 3 and 4 were developed and manufactured by the Link Radio Corp. of New York. Set AN/TRC-1 consists of a radio receiver, a radio transmitter, two antenna systems kits, spare parts, a tools and operating components, a power unit, maintenance equipment, connection cable and instructions.

Each basic set can cover a frequency range of 70 to 100 mc with a nominal power output of 50 watts on any one preset crystal controlled frequency within this range. Provisions are made for lowering the power output to less than 10 watts by means of a panel switch and increasing it up to approximately 250 watts by means of an auxiliary power amplifier. The set is designed for use in either a multi-channel or single channel radio relay circuit and as either a terminal or repeater station. Provision is made for coupling to spiral-four cable when used in multi-channel carrier telephone radio relay circuits. All equipment is powered from regular commercial power when available or by means of a gasoline engine driven alternator

Radio Terminal Set AN/TRC-3 consists of two receivers, two transmitters and two antenna systems including sufficient equipment to insure continuous 24-hour a day service as a multi-channel carrier telephone radio terminal.

Radio Relay Set AN/TRC-4 consists of three receivers, three radio transmitters, four antenna systems and some additional equipment, enough to provide an independent two-way multi-channel radio repeater station consisting of two transmitters and two receivers, while a third of each unit is furnished as a spare.

Characteristics

The radio receiver is a 16-tube single channel, crystal controlled superheterodyne designed for the reception of frequency modulated signals. Its more important characteristics are frequency deviation \pm 30 kc maximum; audio response, high fidelity output circuit + 1db between 200 and 12,000 cps; low fidelity output circuit, + 1db between 200 and 2500 cps. At 3,000 cps and above the response is down 30 db. Its_output level into a 500 ohm line varies from 0 dbm to



The oscillator (without cover) tunes receiving sets for any desired frequency

+20 dbm maximum. The loud speaker puts out 1 watt. A thermostatically-controlled fan circulates filtered air through the chassis when its temperature exceeds approximately 75 to 85 degrees F.

In order to facilitate tuning and adjustment of the radio receiver a test oscillator is furnished as a signal generator. This test oscillator utilizes the same crystals as the transmitting set and is self modulated at 1,000 cycles by an audio oscillator.

The radio transmitter has eleven tubes. Its basic crystal frequency range is from 729.167 kc to 1041.667 kc. At the audio input level be-

System arranged for relay operation between two terminal stations (left) and set up as a two frequency simplex repeater or terminal (right), Flexibility of arrangement and use makes this system of great value in a war of movement





Complete circuit diagram of receiving set. Low pass filters, center (T114) and lower right, permit the use of channel 1, audio frequencies below 3,000 cycles, for monitoring and break-in service when set is used at rely point

tween 0 and -12 dbm it utilizes a 9 kc peak deviation for each of the four carrier telephone channels. Input impedance in the high fidelity circuit is 500 ohms and in the microphone circuit is 30 to 50 ohms.

The amplifier AM8/TRA-1 is a push-pull class C radio frequency amplifier requiring an external source of power for filament, bias, screen and plate voltages. These voltages normally are supplied by the separate power supply PP-13/TRA-1. The latter gives the required 100 volts direct current bias, + 450 volts at 40 ma, and + 2,000 volts at 250 ma.

The amplifier utilizes two HK257B power pentodes in a push-pull tuned grid tuned plate circuit requiring no neutralizing adjustment. In addition, three VR150-30 serve to regulate the screen voltage supply.

Antenna equipment

The antenna system contains all the necessary equipment to erect a horizontally polarized directional array used for transmitting or receiving. There is one driven half-wave dipole, one director and one reflector spaced approximately one-quarter wave. All linear dimensions are readily adjustable without tools to tune the antenna to any frequency between 70 and 100 mc. There are eight sections used to form a pole 40 ft. long and $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. in diameter which is held in a vertical position by means of two sets of nylon guy ropes. Simplex operation or, as it is more commonly called, push-totalk operation, involves the use of one transmitter, one receiver and usually one antenna. The transmitter and receiver are normally

Top chassis view of transmitter. Crystal oven is at left center





Circuit diagram of transmitter. Balanced push-pull output used with 829 power tubes. High-low switch limits power to permit tuning without damage by lowering the screen voltage. Spiral-four cable connections are p^{\perp} to p^{3} .

tuned to the same frequency. If they are on different frequencies, two antennas may be used if high antenna efficiency and directivity must be maintained.

Duplex operation involves simul-

taneous transmission and reception and for this reason requires separate antennas for transmitter and receiver which must operate on different frequencies. Antennas in this case must be separated by

Top view of 250 watt amplifier. Single stage class C operation is used. Two power pentodes feed tank with split stator condenser



50 or more feet to prevent blocking of the receiver by the transmitter. A typical example of duplex operation is found in the application of radio terminal set AN/TRC-3 as a terminal station in a radio relay substitution for spiral-four cable. (Spiral-four cable is a multichannel telephone cable used by the Army in the field).*

Another typical example of two frequency simultaneous transmitter and receiver operations is found in a simplex repeater arrangement. By this arrangement, two or more two frequency simplex stations out of range of each other may be connected by means of a simplex repeater operating alternately in either direction.

Four channels

Duplex repeater operation utilizes two simplex repeaters at the same point simultaneously relaying messages in opposite directions. Thus two transmitters and two receivers are needed and operate on four different frequencies and four different antennas. This type of twoway repeater is the basis for the application of radio relay set AN/TRC-4 to multi-channel spiralfour carrier telephone system.

This system utilizes the range from 200 to 2800 cycles for number _____ (Continued on page 174)

*See Electronic Industries May, 1944, p. 104.



C American Map Co., Inc. No. 10679

Projected routes for Eastern and transcontinental radio relay and coaxial cable systems. Some small sections are already in existence. Relay systems will permit transmission of television, broadcasting, facsimile and other signals

RADIO RELAY NETWORK

• Several major communication companies are planning for immediate postwar development of radio relay networks covering the country. These chains will permit the relaying over multiplex channels of various types of emissions such as facsimile, sound, television and radio location signals on a common carrier as well as a private basis. The completion of these programs promises to provide one of the important new industries of the era.

Many relays

The American Telephone & Telegraph Co., for example, plans to construct a relay chain of seven stations between Boston and New York located on hills distant about thirty miles from each other and visible one from the next. Eight channels 20 mc. wide are to be used on an experimental basis in each of three frequency ranges, near 2,000, 4,000, and 12,000 mc. This company has already had a radio relay link in

Present status of developments for area hook-ups and for transcontinental links by radio and coaxial cable

successful operation since 1941 from Cape Charles to Ocean View across 11 miles of the Chesapeake Bay connecting to Norfolk on the south and Onancock on the North by wire lines. This relay has been using 156.3 and 160.65 mc., and contains 12 multiplex channels. During the war extensive experience has been gained in the operation of portable radio relay sets operating in the 70 to 100 mc range.*

The Western Union Telegraph Co. has recently been authorized to establish an experimental radio relay chain between Philadelphia and New York operating at frequencies from 2,000 to 11,372 mc., and multiplexed with 32 channels for each transmitter. While the final system has not yet been set up, it is understood operation is taking place on an experimental basis.

International Business Machines Corp., expects to build a radio relay system with General Electric Co. equipment. The first leg will be between Schenectady and New York. Extension will then be made to Washington and later to other cities in the East and middle West.

The IBM system is expected to handle two two-way television programs, eight sound channels for broadcasting, two radio photo or facsimile channels and 120 business machine channels in each direction at one time.

Emissions varied

Most ambitious of such plans has been filed with FCC by the Raytheon Mfg. Co., which contemplates a "sky-top" radio relay system with repeater stations on top of a number of high mountain peaks clear across the country. Frequency assignments requested include 1,900, 3,900 and 5,800 mc. Experimental channels up to 26,000 mc. have been asked for. A first leg is proposed from Boston to New York and Washington in 1945. This would be extended to Chicago in 1946 and

*See description of Army radio relay set in this issue.



Block diagram of the Cape Charles to Ocean view relay link now in use for two way transmission of 12 simultaneous messages. System operates at 156.3 and 160.65 mc. Proposed radio relays will use FM and much higher frequencies

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

is planned to reach Los Angeles in 1947.

Services to be provided by these links range all the way from the transmission of telegraph and telephone messages to television, FM and AM broadcasting, a public call system, highway traffic control and police master stations, facsimile, as for train dispatching en route, communication with buses in mo-

Oscillographs of noise voltage transmitted by AM (upper row) and FM (lower row) receivers. Noise voltage was swept through a range of audible frequencies. Carrier to noise amplitude ratio first column 20/1, second 2/1, third 1.26/1, fourth $1/1 \Psi$ tion, airplanes in flight via the nearest relay point, continuous radio location of airplanes and doubtless any other type of communication as it may develop.

Beaming used

Obvious advantages of such relay systems are: only short range equipment is needed on the moving vehicle or local station; a high

Signal/noise ratio (rms) in output of AM receiver, curve A compared with FM receivers for deviation ratios of one, curve B and four, curve C. Note 3 db improvement in signal noise ratio of FM over AM even with deviation ratio of unity **→** load factor on the system will justify high grade installations which individual carriers could not afford; enough traffic will be offered to justify full development of multiplexing with its attendant economies.

It is well known, of course, that for television transmission a comparatively broad band of frequencies is required. Such bands can be provided easily in the high fre-







Bell Telephone six-coaxial cable. Included are a number of regular telephone wires

quency ranges requested and multiplexing has been highly developed. Furthermore the very short waves involved can be beamed effectively from sending to receiving antennas. This permits repeater stations to transmit onward at the reception frequency and even allows twoway transmission by adjacent antennas at the same frequency, thus multiplying the usefulness of any assigned channel. Other advantages at super high frequencies include a very much smaller power transmission and repetition requirement as compared with wire lines due to the lower attenuation involved. In fact, studies indicate (1) that over a 500 mile distance A T & T .257 in. cable transmitting 5 mc would have an attenuation of about 7,200 db whereas radio relay links operating at 10.000 mc would have a total attenuation of about 750 db. To obtain the same attenuation in a coaxial line would require a cable diameter of 2.45 in.

Relative attenuation in radio relay and cable systems with various cable sizes





Disc seal transmitting tube used in shf range. Cooling fins increase power

It should be stated, of course, that regular commercial transmission at these frequencies has not yet been carried on, and some important considerations favor cable construction as is evidenced by the program announced by the A T & T of constructing a nationwide broadband coaxial cable network of 6,000 to 7,000 route miles. This would have a capacity of 2.7 mc., although further technical improvements are expected to permit extension of this range to about 4 mc. These cables have as many as four to six coaxial conductors in them and can be used simultaneously for much telephone traffic.

New technics

The Western Union Telegraph Co. is reported to be planning to use new transmission technics developed by the RCA Laboratories. Experiments have been carried on

Showing reduction of repeater power needed as transmission frequency is raised



at about 500 mc. with signals broadcast from the Empire State Building, in New York, received and repeated at Hauppauge, Bellmore, Rocky Point and Riverhead on Long Island and also received at the RCA Building in New York.

Beginning about 1936 Radio Corporation of America operated a facsimile and telegraph radio relay link between New York and Philadelphia. Relay stations were located at New Brunswick and Arney's Mount. The system operated on frequencies varying from 89.5 to 104 mc and had the following channels: two printer, one telegraph, one cue, one remote start-stop, making five 100 cycle channels un-

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Model of transmitting and repeater tower to be used in International Business Machines Co.-General Electric Co. relay system





Fig. 1. Cross section and working model of television receiver. The image is projected on concave viewing screen by lens system

Du Mont's Projection Tele

• Most recent among public demonstrations of television receivers for post-war production, is the Du-Mont projection system based on refractive optics. Here a regular lens is used in place of the Schmidt mirror reflective optics as described in the April issue of Electronic Industries relative to the RCA projection receiver.

The Allen B. DuMont Laboratories recently demonstrated two forms of receivers, in operation from their television station WABD, New York, one, equipped with a 20 in. diameter screen for direct viewing of the received pictures, and the other a projection model designed for the home and also for use in public gathering places.

Fig. 2. At left is mechanism for moving 20 in. tube into position



Model with refracting lens system for pictures up to 4x6 feet and direct-view set with 20-in. tube revealed

More spectacular in its demonstration and possibilities is the projection unit which produces pictures 3 by 4 ft., and up to $4\frac{1}{2}$ by 5 ft. in size. This unit has a 7 in. diameter cathode ray tube operating at 28,000 volts on the second anode, and a conventional projection lens system to project the image onto a special screen. In the demonstration, a sufficiently brilliant image for an audience of nearly 100 people was produced with this equipment. The focus and definition were quite good.

Special screen

The brilliance of the picture is enhanced by the design of the viewing screen. This viewing screen is not a flat surface, but is very slightly curved in the horizontal plane (concave toward the viewing audience). The screen has a reflection power similar to the glass beaded screen used in motion picture work. The combination of the reflective properties of this screen, in addition to its concavity, makes it possible to view pictures from almost any angle without serious distortion. The brilliance of the screen drops off as the angle of viewing the screen increases. Measurements show a screen illumination of about four footcandles.

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Fig. 3. At right is home cabinet design with tube in viewing position. Pushbutton operated motor moves tube when set is to be used





Measurements in millionths of an inch, are here made by light-wave interference patterns

One end of the engineering laboratory where general development projects are completed, showing some of the extensive facilities for audio-frequency research work

MODERN DEVELOPMENT



A non-union Oscar holds up hearing-aid devices for extended periods without tiring. Operating characteristics are measured under conditions precisely simulating those under which the equipment is normally used

Frequency response curves covering the whole audio range are completed and plotted in a matter of minutes by this automatic tracer



The compliance of each vibrating component must be carefully studied on specially designed test equipment. These instruments indicate force/ displacement values of parts used in miniature Signal Corps head-sets

One phase of the study involves measurement of the harmonic output of each component. The output of a Somotone Audiometer is being checked here on a wave analyzer







Part of laboratory devoted to acoustical research for war and peacetime products. The dynamic characteristics of certain components can be plotted automatically

Automatic recorder checks miniature Signal Corps receiver characteristics on artificial ear. in adjoining sound-proof room

LABORATORY TECHNIC

These pictures, made in the laboratories of the Sonotone Corp., Elmsford, N. Y., show a part of the extensive research and service facilities that have been developed for the company's work in the hearing aid field and now extended to serve military needs. In addition to this work, Sonotone has designed and produced large quantities of miniature headsets, throat microphones and sound powered telephones for military purposes. In its Acorn tube work. Sonotone inaugurated an extensive program of original development involving the invention, design and construction of much new machinery to insure the uniformity in production so necessary in tubes of this size.



Part of tool room and model shop, associated with development laboratories. Production test devices and research instruments of a special nature are handled here

Part of standards laboratory. Precision potentiometer being used to calibrate laboratory instruments

The usually compact arrangement of a new form of hearing aid is spread out for detailed tests in its preliminary stages of design





MARINE VOICE-CODE SET

Water-tight lifeboat transmitter-receiver for merchant marine provides for automatic dual frequency operation

• Further progress in saving lives at sea has been achieved in the development of a watertight radio transmitter and receiver by Radiomarine Corp. of America for lifeboat use. These sets weigh about 150 lbs. and have a range from 50 to 1000 miles. The sets, approved by the U. S. Coast Guard and the FCC probably will be allocated two to a merchant ship and will be installed permanently in lifeboats ready for emergencies. The transmitter, equipped for either voice or code, delivers five watts at frequencies of 500 kc., the international distress frequency, and at 8.28 mc. for longer range transmission. The transmitter also is arranged for completely automatic operation, sending out distress signals for half a minute at one frequency and then switching to the other frequency for the succeeding half minute. The signals consist of SOS for 15 sec., then

Fig. 1. Operating panel with water-tight cover raised. The tuning indicators are neon lights which are brightest when the output circuits are adjusted properly





Fig. 2. Interior of set with water-tight base removed showing rugged construction

a long dash for direction finder use. Power is furnished by hand cranking instead of storage batteries, to increase reliability, and when the equipment is set for automatic sending, cranking is the only function required of the operator. This has been made as convenient as possible, requiring .15 hp at 60 rpm.

Aerial equipment includes 300 ft. of wire, a kite for use in strong winds, a balloon for use in calm or light airs and if both means fail, a mast for regulation stretching of wire to fore and aft fastenings on the boat. The balloon, made of Neoprene of low perveance is de-



Fig. 3. Combination block and circuit diagram showing layout and noteworthy features of automatic keying mechanism and double output tanks. Rotation of L-107 for 500 kc tuning automatically changes taps on L-105 and L-107. A high impedance loop with C-145 blocks grounding of 8.28 mc output

Fig. 4. Set ready for operation showing box kite used for aerial in windy weather

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signed to stay up a week or more when inflated to a diameter of 4 ft. with the helium gas supplied. It has a 20 oz. lift which gives it a margin over the 11 oz. of wire suspended from it. This lift decreases .1 to .2 oz. per hour. The balloon can be inflated only once. A compressed supply of helium is provided in a shatterproof steel cylinder. Although under 2000 lb. pressure, this cylinder will not explode when pierced by a projectile.

Circuit details

Automatic operation is controlled by a small 6-volt motor driving a set of cams. The set will transmit either type A2 (modulated cw), or A3 (phone) emissions on 500 kc, and either type A1 (CW) or A3 emissions on 8.28 mc. When the short inverted V mast antenna is used instead of the kite or balloon, power output is reduced to 2 watts at 500 kc and 3 watts at 8.28 mc.

The radio receiver on 500 kc delivers 6 mw of audio power into an 80 ohm load with a signal to noise ratio of 10/1 with an input of 25 microvolts modulated 30 percent at 400 cycles. On 8.28 mc, the input required is 100 microvolts. The bandwidths are 20 kc and 30 kc respectively at 20 db off resonance, while the fidelity is within 4 db from 400 to 2,000 cycles (reference point, 1,000 cycles).

A rubber gasket between the head and the binnacle of the set, the watertight seals inside the head at each control shaft, lights, push buttons, as well as seals at the antenna lead and handset cord, make use possible in heavy weather. Inside moisture is kept low by the use of a silica gel cartridge.

Referring to the circuit diagram, the 500 kc oscillator for the transmitter is a 6SS7 tube. The frequency is acjusted by a movable iron core coil. The 8.28 mc oscillator, is controlled by a crystal and an adjustable inductor. During automatic operation, the frequency cam C on the automatic keying unit K-102, alternately places plate and screen voltages on the 500 kc and 8.28 mc oscillator tubes.

The power amplifier is V-104, and grid drive is taken through a

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DESIGNING FILTERS FOR

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Theoretical formulas for determining characteristics of low-pass and high-pass units for various purposes

• An understanding of why the circuits in Figs. 2-5 are frequency separators can readily be gained by letting x denote the reactance of a series element and y denote the susceptance (reciprocal of reactance) of a shunt element. For low-pass, x is $2\pi fL$ and y is $2\pi fC$. For high-pass, x is $1/(2\pi fC)$ and y is $1/(2\pi fL)$. Fig. 6(a) then represents a half-section with series input and shunt output, whereas Fig. 6(b) shows a half-section with shunt input and series output. Fig. 6(c) represents either Fig. 6(a) or 6(b), depending upon the direction in which the input impedance is measured. To distinguish them, let Z denote the impedance looking from left to right, and Z' denote the impedance looking from right to left. Two of these unsymmetrical half sections are combined to provide a symmetrical full section.

Thus when the circuit in Fig. 6(a) precedes that in Fig. 6(b) they form a T-section with series input and output, as shown in Fig. 7. The output impedance of the first matches the input impedance of the second, and the output impedance of the second is designed to match the resistance (R) of the load. Or when the circuit in Fig. 6(b) precedes that in Fig. 6(a)they form a π -section with shunt input and output, as shown in Fig. 8. The output impedance of the first matches the input impedance





of the second and the output impedance of the second matches the resistance (\mathbf{R}') of the load.

Half-section impedances

To define Z or Z' in terms of x and y, let Fig. 9 represent a halfsection which is terminated at 1-1 by a matching impedance Z and at 2-2 by a matching admittance Y =1/Z'. Looking to the right of 1-1 it thus represents a half-section with a series input and a load of Y mhos (or Z' = 1/Y ohms). Looking to the left of 2-2 it represents a halfsection with a shunt input and a load of Z ohms.

Looking to the right of 1-1, Z is seen to be equal to x in series with a parallel circuit consisting of y and Y, as expressed by

Z = x + 1/(y + Y).....(1)Looking to the left of 2-2, Y is seen to be equal to y connected in parallel with a series circuit consisting of x and Z, as expressed by

Y = y + 1/(x + Z).....(2)Substitution of the value of Y from eq(2) into eq(1) and algebraic solution of the resulting equation yields

$$Z = \sqrt{x^2 + x/y} = \sqrt{x/y} \sqrt{1 + xy} \dots (3)$$

Similar substitution from eq(1) into eq(2) yields

$$r = \sqrt{y^2 + y/x} = \sqrt{y/x} \sqrt{1 + xy}$$

whence

$$Z^{\dagger} = \frac{1}{Y} = \frac{\sqrt{x/y}}{\sqrt{t+xy}} \qquad (4)$$

For either low-pass or high-pass

$$\sqrt{\frac{x}{y}} = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi fL}{2\pi fC}} = \sqrt{\frac{L}{c}},$$

a constant quantity, independent of frequency, and thus having the properties of a resistance. Consequently, a filter for which the quotient of series reactance and shunt susceptance is constant is called a K-type of filter. Furthermore, for low pass filters,

 $xy = -(2\pi fL) (2\pi fC) = -(2\pi f)^2 LC$ where LC can be defined in terms of f_e, the cut-off frequency at which the total reactance of the circuit is zero. This is expressed as $2\pi f_c L - 1/(2\pi f_c C) = 0$

whence $LC = 1/(2\pi f_c)^2$ (5) Consequently, for low-pass

$$xy = \frac{-(2\pi f)^2}{(2\pi f_*)^2} = \frac{-f^2}{f_*^2}.....(6)$$

and for high-pass

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SPECIFIC JOBS-PART II

Part I of this article by Mr. Halloran, appearing in the April issue of Electronic Industries, covered specific design considerations for various filter types. Part II has to do with the mathematical derivation of components.—Editor.

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It is of interest to note that $f_c = f_r$ where f_r is the frequency at which the circuit is resonant, when the inductive and capacitive reactances are equal. For the sake of convenience and generality now let F denote either f/f_c , for low-pass, or f_c/f , for high-pass and substitute the value of xy given by eq(6) or (6a) in eq(3) and (4) to obtain

$$Z = \sqrt{L/C} \sqrt{1 - F^2} \qquad (3a)$$

$$Z' = \frac{\sqrt{L/C}}{\sqrt{1 - F^2}} \qquad (4a)$$

as general expressions for the impedance of half-sections with series input and shunt input, respectively. The values of L and C are found by letting

$$k = \sqrt{L/C} = R,$$

whence $\sqrt{L} = R\sqrt{C}$ and $\sqrt{C} = \sqrt{L}/R.$
Also from eq(5) we have $\sqrt{LC} = 1/(2\pi f_c),$
whence $\sqrt{L} = \frac{1}{2\pi f_c \sqrt{C}} = \frac{1}{2\pi f_c \sqrt{L}/R}$
and $L = \frac{R}{2\pi f_c} = \frac{0.159 R}{f_c} h$ (a)
 $\sqrt{C} = \frac{1}{2\pi f_c \sqrt{L}} = \frac{1}{2\pi f_c R\sqrt{C}}$

and
$$C = \frac{1}{2\pi f_c R} = \frac{159000}{f_c R} \mu f$$
 (b)

Transfer constant

An important factor in determining the performance of a half-section is the ratio of the output to the input volt-amperes, which will be defined in terms of a transfer constant (θ). In Fig. 10, looking from left to right, the series input at terminals 1-1 is E_1I_1 and the shunt output is E_2I_2 . From an elementary analysis of the circuit it may be shown that





Substitution of the values of Z from eq(3) and Y from eq(4) into eq(7) gives

$$\frac{\mathbf{E}_2 \ \mathbf{I}_2}{\mathbf{E}_2} = 2\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y} + 1 - 2\sqrt{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}\sqrt{1 + \mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}} \quad . (8)$$

Fig. 1. Attenuation as function of frequency ratio for one-section filters. This chart permits design simplification for k-type sections and for m-type sections (computed for m equal to 0.6)







For shunt input in Fig. 10, looking from right to left, the ratio is obviously the reciprocal of that in eq(8).

Since a ratio can be expressed as an exponential function, let

$$\frac{\mathbf{E}_2 \ \mathbf{I}_2}{\mathbf{E}_1 \ \mathbf{I}_1} = \mathbf{e}^{-2t}$$

$$= \cosh 2\theta - \sinh 2\theta \dots (9)$$

where e = 2.718 is the base of the natural system of logarithms and θ is the volt-ampere transfer constant. Also since $\cosh 2\theta = 2\sinh^2\theta$ + 1 and $\sinh 2\theta = 2\sinh\theta.\cosh\theta$, eq(8) and (9) yield

$$2\sinh^2 heta+1-2\sinh heta.\cosh heta$$

 $= 2xy + 1 - 2\sqrt{xy}\sqrt{1 + xy}$ which is seen to be an identity when

 \sqrt{xy} = sinh θ , and $\sqrt{1 + xy}$ =



Eq(10) is our objective and there is no present need for evaluating the ratio in terms of hyperbolic functions.

The transfer constant (θ) is, in general, a complex quantity

 $\theta = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{j}\mathbf{B}\dots(11)$

where A is the attenuation constant and B is the phase constant. From eq(6) and (6a) it is seen that $xy = -F^2$, where $F = f/f_e$ for lowpass and $F = f_e/f$ for high-pass. Consequently,

 $\sqrt{xy} = jF$

This condition characterizes the k-type of structure, wherein the signs of the series and shunt reactances are unlike. (The situation when the signs are like is discussed later in connection with m-derived structures.) Consequently, eq(6), (6a), (10) and (11) yield



Since an imaginary cannot be equated to a real quantity, eq(12)is valid only when the real quantity, sinh A.cos B is zero, under which condition

 $F = \cosh A \sin B \dots (13).$

The real quantity can be made zero either by $\cos B = 0$ or $\sinh A = 0$.

When $\cos B = 0$, then $B = \pi/2$ radians, $\sin B = 1$, and $F = \cosh A$

or $A = \cosh^{-1}F.....(14)$

Eq(14) defines the attenuation constant for the frequencies which are not freely passed by a k-type half section, those frequencies (f) which are higher than f_e for low-pass and lower than f_e for high-pass. This constant is given in terms of a unit known as a neper which can be converted into decibels, as explained later. For these frequencies, the phase constant is seen to be $\pi/2$ radians.

When $\sinh A = 0$, the attenuation constant (A) is zero,

- $\cosh A = 1$, and $F = \sin B$
 - or $B = \sin^{-1} F.....(15)$

Eq(15) defines the phase constant for the frequencies which are freely passed without attenuation by a k-type half-section, those frequencies which are less than f. for lowpass and higher than f. for highpass.

The performance of a filter is determined from the ratio of output to input volt-amperes. This is expressed by $E_2I_2/E_1I_1 = e^{-2\theta}$ or by $E_2I_2 = E_1I_1e^{-2\theta} = E_1I_1e^{-2(A+jB)}\dots(16)$

To express 2A in decibels let $E_1I_1 = P_1$ and $E_2I_2 = P_2$, whence can be written $P_1/P_2 = e^{2A}$, or

 $2A = \log_{e} P_{1}/P_{2} = 2.3026 \log_{10} P_{1}/P_{2}.$ Since the number of decibels is defined by

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 $\frac{N_{db} = 10 \log_{10} \log P_1 / P_2}{10(2A)}$

we have $\frac{1}{2.3026} = 8.686 \text{ A} = 10 \log_{10}$

 $P_1/P_2=N_{\rm db.}$ In other words, a half-section causes an attenuation of 8.686 A decibels, where A is the angle whose hyperbolic cosine is $f/f_{\rm c}$ for low-pass or $f_{\rm c}/f$ for high-pass.

When a number of half-sections are connected in series, the output of the first becomes the input of the second, the output of the second becomes the input of the third, etc. Upon denoting the input of the first by P_0 , the output of the first by P_1 , the output of the second by P_2 , etc., and the output of the nth half-section by P_n , eq(16) becomes

 $\mathbf{P}_1 = \mathbf{P}_0 \mathbf{e}^{-2\theta} = \mathbf{P}_0 \mathbf{e}^{-2} (\mathbf{A}^+ \mathbf{j} \mathbf{B})$

 $\mathbf{P}_2 = \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{e}^{-2\theta} = \mathbf{P}_0 \mathbf{e}^{-4\theta} = \mathbf{P}_0 \mathbf{e}^{-4} (\mathbf{A}^{+jB})$

 $\mathbf{P}_{n} = \mathbf{P}_{0}\mathbf{e}^{-2n\theta} = \mathbf{P}_{0}\mathbf{e}^{-2n(\mathbf{A}+\mathbf{jB})}$

This means that the attenuation due to a section consisting of two half-sections is twice that due to a half-section, the attenuation due to two sections is four times that due to a half-section or twice that due to a section, etc. The same comment obviously applies to the phase angle that is introduced.

A T- or π -section thus causes a db attenuation of 17.372 A for the frequency ratios which are not passed and a phase shift of -4B radians for the frequency ratios which are passed. These attenuation values are used in plotting the k-section curve in Fig. 1. The values for a half-section are plotted in Fig. 11. The curve and scale at the right show the attenuation and constant phase shift for the frequency ratios which are not freely passed. The curve and scale at the left show the phase shift and zero attenuation for the frequency ratios which are freely passed.



From Fig. 11 it is evident that frequencies remote from fe can be highly attenuated by connecting several k-type sections in series, inasmuch as the attenuation due to each section is additive. This method, however, does not greatly attenuate frequencies close to fe. A much sharper cut-off could be provided if some frequency (f_m) close to f. could be highly attenuated. This can accomplished by so modifying a k-type half-section as to provide zero shunt reactance for f_m without changing the impedance (Z or Z') of the half section. Then the k-type section can be terminated at both ends with a matching half-section of the modified type.

Let the series arm have a reactance of x' = mx and the shunt arm have a susceptance of y' having a value such that

$$Z = \sqrt{x^{+}/y^{+}} \sqrt{1 + x^{+}y^{+}} = \sqrt{(x^{+})^{2} + x^{+}/y^{+}} = \sqrt{m^{2}x^{2} + mx/y^{+}} = \sqrt{x^{2} + x/y}$$

thus not changing the value of Z in order that it may match the impedance of a following k-type section. This equation is easily solved to yield



$$1 1 (1 - m^2)x$$

y' my m The configuration appears in Fig. 12 with the shunt arm shown as a reactance (1/y'). Looking to the right provides the impedance (Z) and looking to the left provides the admittance Y = 1/Z'. For zero shunt reactance to the frequency f_m

$$\frac{1}{my} + \frac{(1-m^2)x}{m} = 0$$
whence $m = \sqrt{1 + 1/xy} =$

$$\begin{cases} \sqrt{1-f_c^2/f_m^2} \text{ for low-pass} \\ \sqrt{1-f_m^2/f_c^2} \text{ for high-pass} \end{cases} \dots \dots (17)$$

An alternative structure can be provided by letting the shunt arm have a susceptance of y' = my and the series arm have a reactance of x' with a value such that

$$Y = \sqrt{y'/x'} \sqrt{1 + x'y'} = \sqrt{(y')^2 + y'/x'} = \sqrt{m^2y^2 + my/x'} = \sqrt{y^2 + y/x}.$$

This equation is readily solved to yield

$$\frac{1}{\mathbf{x}'} = \frac{1}{\mathbf{m}\mathbf{x}} + \frac{(1 - \mathbf{m}^2)\mathbf{y}}{\mathbf{m}}$$

The configuration appears in Fig. 13 with the series arm shown as a susceptance (1/x'). Looking to the left provides the impedance Z and looking to the right provides the admittance Y = 1/Z'. For zero series susceptance to the frequency f_m

$$\frac{1}{mx} + \frac{(1 - m^2)y}{m} = 0,$$
whence m = $\sqrt{1 + 1/xy}$ =

 $\begin{cases} \sqrt{1-f_c^2/f_m^2} \text{ for low-pass} \\ \sqrt{1-f_m^2/f_c^2} \text{ for high-pass} \end{cases}$ (17)

which is the same as that for the other structure.

Because m was the factor originally used in deriving these structures, they are generally known as m-derived or m-type structures to distinguish them from the K-type



from which they are derived. The factor may have any value from 0 to 1, corresponding to frequency ratios from 1 to 0. When m = 1, the structure resumes the form of the k-type. When m = 0.6, whence $(1 - m^2) = 0.64$, the value of Z or or Z' is found to be more nearly constant throughout the greater portion of the frequency range than is the case for other values. The broken-line m-type curve in Fig. 1 is plotted for m = 0.6, which value is also used in Figs. 2 to 5.

In the equations for

$$Z = \sqrt{x'/y'} \sqrt{1 + x'y'}$$

and $Y = \sqrt{y'/x'} \sqrt{1 + x'y'}$

first note that, except for m = 1, the factor

$$\sqrt{x^{+}/y^{+}} = \sqrt{mx} \left\{ \frac{1}{my} + \frac{(1-m^{2})x}{m} \right\} =$$

$$\sqrt{x/y} \sqrt{1 + (1-m^{2})xy} = \sqrt{L/C} \sqrt{1 - (1-m^{2})F}$$
or
$$\sqrt{y^{+}/x^{+}} = \sqrt{my} \left\{ \frac{1}{mx} + \frac{(1-m^{2})y}{m} \right\} =$$

$$\sqrt{y/x} \sqrt{1 + (1-m^{2})xy} = \sqrt{C/L} \sqrt{1 - (1-m^{2})F}$$

is not constant, independent of frequency, when the inductive and capacitive values for low-pass and high-pass structures are substituted for x and y.

Also with regard to the equation for attenuation, note that in place of

$$j\sqrt{xy} = F = \cosh A/2$$

for negative values of x in the ktype, the m-type has

$$j\sqrt{x^{T}y^{T}} = \frac{\sqrt{m^{2}xy}}{\sqrt{1 + (1 - m^{2})xy}} = \frac{mE}{\sqrt{1 - (1 - m^{2})F^{2}}} = \frac{m \cosh A/2}{\sqrt{1 - (1 - m^{2}) \cosh^{2} A/2}}$$
(18)

In a k-structure m = 1 and xy is always negative, which is to say that x and y are unlike in sign. On the other hand, in an m-structure x'y' is negative only up to a certain point, beyond which x' and y' are alike in sign and x'y' becomes positive. This critical point is reached when the series and shunt reactances are equal, corresponding to

$$\frac{1}{y'} = \frac{1}{my} = \frac{1 - m^2)x}{m}$$

for the circuit in Fig. 12 and to
$$\frac{1}{x'} = \frac{1}{mx} = \frac{(1 - m^2)y}{m}$$

for the circuit in Fig. 13. In both

circuits this point is defined by for negative values of xy and $xy = 1/(1 - m^2) = \cosh^2 A/2$ whence

$$\sqrt{x'y'} = \frac{m \cosh A/2}{\sqrt{1-\frac{\cosh^2 A/2}{\cosh^2 A/2}}}$$
$$\frac{m \cosh A/2}{\sqrt{1-1}} = \infty$$

At this point, corresponding to frequency f_m , the attenuation thus becomes infinite in value, when the reactance (\mathbf{x}') or the susceptance (y') changes from inductive to capacitive, or vice versa.

For positive value of xy eq(14)becomes

$$\sqrt{xy} = F = \sinh A/2.\cos B/2$$

jcosh A/2.sin B/2.

The result of equating imaginaries to imaginaries and reals to reals is

 $F = \sinh A/2.\cos B/2$ $\cosh A/2 \sin B/2 = 0$ The latter equation is true for sin B/2 = 0, when B/2 = 0, cos B/2 =1, and

$$\sqrt{xy} = F = \sinh A/2$$
.

Substitution of these values for those in equ(18) then yields

$$\frac{\text{m sinh } A/2}{\left(1-m^2\right) \sinh^2 A/2 - 1}$$
 (19)

For m = 0.6 the equations for an m-type structure thus become

$$\int \frac{\sqrt{x'y'}}{\sqrt{1-0.64\cosh^2 A/2}} = \frac{0.6 \cosh A/2}{\sqrt{1-0.64\cosh^2 A/2}}$$

$$\frac{0.6F}{\sqrt{1-0.64F^2}}$$

$$\sqrt{x^{1}y^{1}} = \frac{0.6 \sinh A/2}{\sqrt{0.64 \sinh A/2 - 1}} = \frac{0.6F}{\sqrt{0.64F^{2} - 1}}$$

for positive values of xy.

The numerical values for 2A in decibels shown in the m-type curve of Fig. 1 were obtained by means of these equations. An illustrative example of calculations with F = 1.1 and F - 1.3 follows:

$$\frac{0.6F}{\sqrt{1-.64F^2}} = \frac{0.66}{\sqrt{1-.7745}} = \frac{0.66}{.475} =$$

. . .

whence 2 $A = 1.37 \times 0.885 = 14.8$ db.

$$\frac{0.64}{\sqrt{.644^2 - 1}} = \frac{0.78}{\sqrt{1.0816 - 1}} = \frac{0.78}{.286} =$$
2.72 = sinh 1.725

. . .

when $2A = 17.37 \times 1.725 = 30$ db. The values of the inductances and capacitances in structures for which m = 0.6 are shown in Figs. 2(b), 3(b), 4(b), and 5(b).

From eq (18) and (19) it may be seen that almost any desired attenuation characteristic can be obtained by using different values of m for several sections connected in series. Frequencies that are slightly attenuated by one section can then be highly attenuated by another section. Although such complicated structures are seldom required in ordinary practice, they can readily be designed in accordance with the basic principles that have been outlined above.

HIGH FREQUENCY AVIATION IGNITION SYSTEM



Illustrated is the heart of the new high frequency (2,000,000-3,000,000 cps) ignition system developed by P. R. Mallory & Co., Indianapolis, and now undergoing flight tests in Army Liberators. It consists of an impulse type frequency converter (in the housing at the right end of the flexible lead) and a special transformer sealed into the barrel of a standard spark plug. Use of high frequency results, among other advantages, in ability to fire even badly fouled spark plugs, and increases reliability at high altitudes

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Shortage in Receiver Tubes?

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Forecasting probable postwar demand and correlating it with possible factory production facilities

• During the war it has proved difficult to arrive at satisfactory demand figures to correlate with peace-time figures. The War Production Board stated during October, 1944, that military requirements averaged 10,000,000 tubes per month permitting 1,300,000 to be scheduled for civilian replacement purposes. Later government figures integrate the diversion of certain military rejects and surplus acquisitions to civilian channels. Prob-ably the closest figure of tubes reaching civilian sets during 1944 would be 22,000,000, including 18,-000,000 scheduled by WPB and 4,000,000 military releases or rejects.

The annual replacement demand for tubes for civilian receivers now considerably exceeds that of the last normal year (1941). Shortly after the close of that year there were estimated to be 60 million radio sets in the public's homes and cars. For these approximately 40 million tubes per year were in need of replacement. Latest estimates indicate at least 55 million of these sets are still in use. However, due to the fact that most of these are five years or more old, many more tubes are in need of replacement. In addition, dealer and jobber stocks are completely depleted of all popular types and are nearly so on other types.

Unsatisfied demand

It is estimated that the present 1,700,000 per month deliveries are satisfying no more than 30 per cent of the demand for replacements. In other words, deducting the 22 million from the 70 million demand leaves an unsatisfied demand of 48 million tubes per year for replacement purposes only. If civilian production could be authorized 100 per cent immediately after V-E day, these 48 million tubes plus another 60 million to stock dealers' shelves could be shipped by manufacturers as soon as they could be made. In the 8 to 10 months necessary to accomplish this, not only would another 50 million tubes require replacement, but new sets then authorized and being manufactured

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ESTIMATED DEMA	NDI	FOR RECEIV	ING TU	BES (MIL	LIONS)	
	VE	VE +1	VE+2	VE+3	VE+4	VE+5
Military Demand Civilian Replacement For New Civilian Radio Sets Television and Facsimile Industrial and Miscellaneous	125 80 24 —	75 64 140 2 1	75 46 160 10 3	40 57 160 18 5	20 62 120 30 10	5 68 150 40 20
Total Domestic Export	229 5	282 25	294 25	280 30	242 40	283 45
Total Demand (Millions)	234	307	319	310	282	328

would require about 100 million tubes.

During this entire period, however, military requirements would be continuing at a rate not too far from the present 10 million per month requirement. Other types made on similar equipment in the same plants will raise this to about 13 million per month. Even cut 50 per cent which is doubtful within 12 months of V-E day, military requirements would total 75 million tubes during the year.

The above estimated demand table has been prepared based on the European war ending half way through the year V-E.

Capacity non-existent

The capacity does not exist in the radio receiving tube industry to produce tubes in the volume required in the estimates noted.

In 1938, an exceptionally careful and detailed survey of the entire industry's productive capacity was made by an independent industrial engineering firm. Sealing and exhaust machines were used as the control point and a figure of 185,-000,000 tubes per year of 250 eighthour days was arrived at. Of these 155 million were glass tubes and 30 million metal. Since that time metal tube machine capacity has probably increased 50 per cent. Loctal machine capacity, to something less than 10 per cent of total industry capacity, has been added. Three companies, Triad, Champion and Arcturus, have withdrawn from the industry. Their equipment has stayed in being, however, because of its purchase by the seven

remaining companies. A sizable amount of miniature and smaller glass tube capacity has been added or converted from old machine capacity. There has occurred some obsolescence which has, in turn, been offset by higher production on existing and newly built machines.

Thus from a standpoint of machine and equipment, the present capacity of the industry would seem to be in the neighborhood of 225 million tubes per year of 250 eight-hour days. This capacity is being increased currently and the increase will probably be continued as newer methods and technics are perfected.

However, the manufacture of radio tubes by highly automatic processing requires very specialized machines as well as highly trained personnel to operate them. In 1938, it was felt that the machines themselves were the bottleneck. Time and the war period have proven this to be an error of judgment.

Before the tube is processed (air evacuated and parts degassified by induction heating) it must be assembled. Starting with a stem or header containing supporting lead wires the various elements are spot welded into place. This operation calls for highly specialized skill for which the training period is long. Practically all of this mounting work is done by women because of the higher degree of manual dexterity and hand-eye coordination required.

During the war it has been impossible to secure adequate num-(Continued on page 130)

POWDERED IRON CORES

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Design factors that influence realization of the superior electrical characteristics of iron cored coils

• Although iron cores have been used in communications equipment for many years, they have not attained real prominence in this field until recently. Yet only a few years after modern iron cores became generally known in this country, their acceptance was so tremendous that most of the foreign and domestic radio receivers made use of them as early as 1935.

The original iron cores either were bundles of wire, laminations, or metallic iron filings imbedded in shellac. They were intended primarily for loading coils for telephone circuits. The modern iron core, on the other hand, is a molded slug of finely divided magnetic material, each particle of which is carefully insulated and bound to its neighbor to form the core.

The iron powder used in most present-day hf iron cores may be classified into three important varieties: (1) hydrogen-reduced iron; (2) carbonyl iron; and (3) magnetic iron oxide commonly known as magnetite. The latter is obviously the most inexpensive since it is a natural product requiring generally only magnetic separation before use. The carbonyl irons are high in purity and relatively high in cost. Their superior electrical characteristics in most cases, however, justify the added cost. The hydrogen-reduced iron is primarily a low-frequency material offering good electrical characteristics at a nominal cost. Each of the above materials and their variations offer very definite properties, and it is not uncommon to use one or more in combination to secure unusual properties for given applications.

Unlimited variety

Modern iron cores are made with an almost endless variety of characteristics to meet the requirements of intricate design problems in many parts of the radio-frequency spectrum. The latter statement should be particularly emphasized, since many engineers still are under the impression that iron cores are efficient only in a restricted range up to one megacycle.

The mechanical shape or size of the iron core, for example, is limited only by the manufacturer's available processing facilities. Intricate parts often may be partly molded and if necessary machinefinished. Plastic components may be molded with the iron core as an integral part of the complete unit. Iron cores may be fabricated in sheets, rods and tubes, with or without inserts as required. Due



Small pot type assembly consisting of two cup cores and a center slug surrounding the compact coil. The center slug can be adjusted to vary the inductance

to the economy resulting from simplicity and flexibility in methods of manufacture, and the exceedingly close tolerances, electrical as well as mechanical, which can easily be maintained in production, it is obvious that their use will increase.

The advantages derived from iron-cored coils are numerous. An iron-cored coil can be made much smaller physically yet with a higher Q than an air-core coil of the same inductance. Furthermore, the cost of such a coil is much lower than an air-core coil when the Q is high, because less turns of expensive Litz wire are required. The net result is better gain and selectivity per stage at lower cost with iron-cored

Two movable iron cores with common adjustment screw for single adjustment of both antenna and oscillator coils Typical multi-pi iron if transformer. Each core is adjustable in its winding by means of the extended screws



coils. In the case of if transformers where permeability tuning is substituted for the usual capacity tuning, the iron-core unit is cheaper than the air-dielectric type, much more stable than the compression mica condenser, and provides higher gain and selectivity. In single-tuned or untuned if transformers, iron cores can be used to increase the coefficient of coupling.

Properly designed iron-cored coils



Disassembled miniature double-tuned 456 kc if transformer of pot type construction and providing for capacity coupling between windings

used in the antenna and rf circuits provide better signal-to-noise ratio, better selectivity, better gain and better image ratio in superheterodynes. Highly efficient and economical iron-core coils for these circuits are usually made by simply using a coil containing a fixed cylindrical iron slug usually 3/8 in. in diameter. In some instances (universal replacement coils, for example) the slug has a screw molded in one end for adjustment. Permeability adjustment of such replacement antenna rf or oscillator coils offers the advantage of rapid tracking with a simple screwdriver adjustment of inductance rather than the customary and laborious process of removing turns.

Efficient adjustable iron-cored coils are widely used for wave-traps and permeability-tuned station selectors. In the latter the oscillator is tuned by a variable inductance. Where only one adjustment is desired for both the antenna and oscillator coils, both moving iron cores are mounted on a common adjusting screw. A typical unit is illustrated. A number of such units may be mounted on a push-button switch. The principal advantage of using iron cores in such an assembly is superior frequency stability. A similar unit having compression mica tuning condensers drifts rather badly, necessitating readjustments so frequently as to make it impractical.

In the design of iron-cored coils the small pot type assembly consisting of 2 cup cores and a center slug offers the best possible constructional unit. The wire is mechanically protected and cannot be damaged or displaced, thus causing undesirable inductance change. Furthermore, adjustment of the inductance by movement of the center slug does not change the losses —a particular advantage of the modern iron-cored coil.

Best construction

To develop the full efficiency of such a coil, the form should be made of low-loss insulating material such as polystyrene, etc., and conventional insulators should be replaced with low-loss ceramic dielectric materials. The electrical characteristics of such miniature coils are much more critical than those of large and spacious coils, so that relatively small mistakes in construction will affect the coil considerably. As an illustration, using Litz wire of identical structure but having a higher loss insulation, the efficiency of an iron cored coil decreased approximately 30 per cent. Use of a hard paper tube as a coil form material instead of a low-loss dielectric resulted in a decreased efficiency of about 15 per cent.

Drift compensation

A sectionalized coil form is often best in pot type iron core assemblies. If two chambers are provided, one may be used for coupling windings. In certain applications, the coil form may be dispensed with entirely by winding the coil directly on the iron core itself providing the core material is of the high-resistance type generally available. Relatively thin and cheap Litz wire should be used for best all-around results.

If frequency drift with temperature is an important consideration in particular designs of adjustable iron cores, the adjusting screws used on such components should be made from cold rolled steel or invar and low-drift core materials should be utilized. The latter normally exhibit the extremely low thermal drift of .001 per cent per °C.

It should be noted that the effect of the addition of steel adjusting screws into iron-core components is to reduce the effective Q and consequently the efficiency of the core. This effect is not quite as marked when non-magnetic materials such as brass are used, but the average loss in efficiency over the usual working frequencies will still be about 10 to 15 per cent. This loss, however, can be materially reduced by the simple expedient of removing the adjusting screw from the core material and using thin rods instead.

Typical designs of efficient ironcored if transformers are illustrat-

Push-button tuner with iron core tuning coils, providing superior frequency stability with low cost requirements Permeability tuner with three movable iron cores which are controlled by the cam action push-buttons





Efficient iron cored rf transformer in aluminum shield can with permeability adjustment of inductance

ed, one a disassembled miniature double-tuned 456 kc if transformer utilizing the pot type construction outlined previously and having capacity coupling between windings. The cup cores are 15/16 in. in diameter with .200 in. center slugs having 3-48 adjustment screws molded in one end. The entire assembly is 15/16 in. dia. x 1¼ in. long, including the housing, and is ideal for compact receivers. The gain is higher than that provided by a high-quality standard air-core type unit which is 6 times as large.

The well-known end-to-end construction of iron-cored if transformers requires one adjustment to

Type of transformer with fixed iron cores, adjusted by means of a separate trimmer



be made on top of the can and one on bottom. If only two adjusting cores are used, multiple pi construction should be utilized since if single pi construction is attempted the coupling will vary too much with the tuning to be of any practical value. If, however, the windings are surrounded by a third fixed core, in the form of a sleeve, a highly efficient unit will result with the single pi construction. In addition practically no coupling variation with tuning will be experienced since most of the coupling between windings will be due to the magnetic shield and not the adjusting cores. The latter type of assembly presents the most economical form suitable for manufacturing on a large scale and is definitely highly competitive in comparison with the price of the usual type of aircored if transformers.

Shield material

The shield material is generally of the magnetite variety and as such is rather inexpensive. The adjusting cores may be of the same material but are generally made of a higher permeability material to increase the overall transformer efficiency.

An important use of magnetic materials is also found in permeability tuning where iron cores are moved by mechanical means to vary the inductance of fixed coils and so replace the conventional coil and ganged variable condenser. Such a unit is equipped with cam action push buttons controlling the travel of the three movable iron cores.

The unit is provided with variable-pitch oscillator windings to give straight-line frequency tuning. There is reason to believe that this type of coil eventually may be displaced by the use of standard easily-wound solenoids of uniform pitch in conjunction with improved iron cores having a variable permeability along the axis to produce the same final result. Under most circumstances permeability tuning of this type offers very definite advantages.

Mounting practice

Because a high degree of fixed circuit capacity can be tolerated the entire tuning unit may be mounted some distance away from the tube circuits and the two units interconnected by long shielded wires. This has been a frequent practice by auto-radio manufacturers permitting the small tuning mechanism to be mounted on the instrument panel with the remainder of the receiver fastened to the fire wall of the car. Mechanically the permeability tuned mechanism offers less ineria than a gang condenser and consequently is better adapted to push-button selectors which are operated by means of cams. In addition the former is usually cheaper than gang-condenser tuning when used with a properly designed cam action pushbutton station selector.

Permeability tuning

Electrically, permeability tuning offers extraordinary values of inductance for tuning the low-frequency end of the broadcast band with a consequent improvement in circuit performance.

Properly - designed permeability tuners provide a greater frequency range with better stability and performance than can ever be attained with gang-condenser tuning. Tuning ratios of 3.3 can easily be attained with permeability tuning units employing iron cores .200 in. in diameter and $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. in length because of the favorable coil form factor. In the FM band, permeability tuning can offer the superior performance demanded of the tuned circuits.

Among some of the other applications, high - permeability iron cores are used rather extensively for loading coils in carrier current telephone circuits as well as low and high pass filters of high efficiency. Magnetic shielding of coils, tubes and circuits offers an effective control of rf leakage at high frequencies. With the development of special inorganic binders capable of withstanding extremely high temperatures, the use of iron cores in transmitter inductances dissipating considerable power is now a common occurrence.

Other applications

Among the many and unsual uses to which iron cores have been successfully applied are those of sensitive solenoid plungers providing controlled tension for various types of winding machines, substitutes for laminated parts in small motors, generators, transformers, etc., and the selective heating by induction of metal parts through the medium of controlled fields. In the latter application the controlled electromagnetic fields are sustained by properly-shaped iron cores of special low-cost materials placed in or around the part to be induction heated, as required. The numerous advances of importance in the iron core art and its applications in recent years are indicative of what the continued effort on the part of this relatively new industry may be expected to produce in the near future for electronics and its allied fields

TUBES ON THE JOB

VT Furnace Control

A new type of vacuum-tube thermocouple device, characterized by its anticipating nature has been developed in the research laboratories of the Westinghouse Electric Corp. It increases the sensitivity and response of conventional temperature controls by a thousand per cent. This instrument consists of two thermocouples of different thermal capacity and an electric heating element, enclosed in an evacuated glass envelope to cause heating of the thermocouples by radiation, to minimize room temperature effects, and to pre-vent deterioration of the elements. Changes in electric furnace temperatures are anticipated and corrective steps taken to minimize the cyclic swings in temperature characteristic of most furnace controls.

When the furnace current is on. the anticipater heating element heats both thermocouples, but one heats faster because of its lower thermal capacity. This increases the thermal voltage and the control swings to cooling, preventing overshooting. When the furnace control current is cut off, current to the anticipator heater also ceases and both couples begin to cool. The second thermocouple, having a greater thermal capacity, cools more slowly. The thermocouple current drops because of the reverse polarity, and the control swings to heating, preventing overshooting.



Lepel rotary induction gear heater and quencher automatically controls heat, improves quality

Rotary Gear Heater

A new application of the principle of high frequency induction for hardening gears and pinions has been developed by the Lepel High Frequency Laboratories, 39 West 60th St., New York, in the form of a roto-heating and quenching unit, which reduces the hardening time to a matter of seconds. The new device causes the parts in process of hardening to revolve at a predetermined speed within the load coil during the automaticallycontrolled heating and quenching cycles.

Westinghouse thermocouple controlled equipment operates to maintain furnace temperatures within close limits through application of a new principle which permits anticipation of temperature changes



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Taxis Use Motorola

The Yellow Cab Co., Cleveland, is now using Motorola radio FM transmitting and receiving units to direct and control operations of part of their taxicab fleet by twoway radio employing a wavelength of 118.65 mc. This experiment of the Galvin Mfg. Corp. in the use of the 118 mc spectrum for mobile units has been pronounced such a success by General Manager J. T. Smith of the cab company that he has started proceedings to obtain permission of the FCC to install Motorola mobile units in 100 additional taxicabs.



Dust Free Room For Lens Coating

Lenses for naval combat instruments are given a coating of magnesium fluoride in the optical shop at the Mare Island Navy Yard, Vallejo, Calif., to improve their light transmission and field definition characteristics. Although this operation is carried out in a vacuum, it is imperative that the room in which the lenses are washed and prepared for coating be free of dirt and dust—since a speck of dust no larger than 1/100,000 of an inch could create an image behind which an enemy ship or factory might hide while the periscope or bombsight is in use.

Air entering this coating room is kept free of dirt by an electrostatic air cleaner, the Westinghouse Precipitron, capable of cleaning 23,000 cfm.

Automatic Tuning to Generator Load

An automatic tuning device in which small thyratron tubes and a reversible motor are used to provide continuous automatic tuning of an electronic power generator was described at a meeting of the Philadelphia Section of the Institute of Radio Engineers by Dr. Wesley M. Roberds, RCA Victor development engineer. The small thyratrons and the motor so control the oscillator that any pre-determined power can be fed to the work continuously, regardless of changes in the electrical properties of the work material produced by heating.

The tube plate-current and gridcurrent are used in opposite arms of a bridge and the thyratrons are actuated to keep the bridge balanced by rotating the reversible motor, which in turn varies an inductance in series with the load. The load circuit is closely coupled to the tank circuit and all tuning is done on one slope of the first hump of the resonance curves. The load circuit is never completely tuned, but always presents a capacitative reactance to the tank circuit.

Sound Waves Measure Elasticity

Sound waves, which have been put to a variety of unusual scientific tasks in the past, have now been assigned the job of appraising women's hosiery yarns. Two



CONTROLLING BOOK PRODUCTION BY LIGHT



General Electric Totalux equipment in lithoprint plant of Edwards Bros., Ann Arbor, Mich., accurately determines photographic exposure time and compensates for fluctuations in light intensity

Du Pont scientists, Dr. J. W. Ballou and Dr. Shirleigh Silverman, told the American Acoustical Society at

a recent meeting how they had aimed a very high note, above the highest whistle range of man or piccolo, at nylon stocking yarn and at other textile fibers.

Purpose of the work was to measure accurately the elasticity of the fibers. This is a factor of importance to the wearers of stockings and of such stretchy articles as garters and girdles, as well as to the users of automobile tires. But exact knowledge of the degree of elasticity is even more important to the manufacturers of these articles and of many textile products which are not obviously elastic in themselves. For the elasticity of any yarn must be taken into consideration in adjusting the loom or knitting machine in which it is to be fashioned into a fabric.

10 kc sound waves

The experiments reported here were carried out on textile yarnslinen, rayon, nylon and wool-and on various types of cellophane. Dr. Ballou and Dr. Silverman did the work while they were connected with the Rayon Technical Division of the Du Pont Company, although today they are on loan to the Government, Dr. Ballou at the Underwater Sound Laboratory at Harvard, and Dr. Silverman at the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory at Silver Springs, Md.

The specific property measured by the 10-kilocycle (10,000 cycles

Back of the RCA 150 kw electronic power generator, which puts out 150 kw at 400 kc or 125 kw at 13.7 mc, and (right) a side view of the generator arranged for 27.4 mc



Apparatus used for determining Young's modulus of elasticity for fibers and sounds by velocity measurements. (A) audio oscillator; (B) rochelle salt crystal; (C) steel resonating bar; (D) yarn clamp; (E) yarn sample; (F) optical bench mounting; (G) crystal pickup; (H) amplifier; (I) out-put meter; (J) filter to remove 60 cycle from 1; (K) voltage regulating transformer for power supply

per second) sound waves is expressed as Young's modulus of elasticity, which indicates the extent to which a material is elongated when a stretching force is applied. The usual method of measuring this factor in fibers has been to hang a weight on the fiber and note the load required to bring about a certain amount of stretch. But Dr. Ballou and Dr. Silverman pointed out that this slow application of the force or load often not only produced elastic stretch but also permanent deformation, which spoiled the results.

To find the value of the elastic component alone, they argued, it is necessary to apply a small force rapidly-in other words, stretch the material so little and so quickly that it doesn't have time to get permanently out of shape. Passing sound through the fiber or film does just this. It causes the material to go through rapid stretching and recovery as it vibrates. This application of sound, the Du Pont scientists said, had been previously used by two other investiators, Meyer and Lotmar, but in a less versatile form than the one described in this paper.

Sound velocity

Since velocity of sound through any medium, whether it be air, water, rayon, nylon, cellophane or steel, is determined by two properties of the medium, its density and its modulus of elasticity, it is necessary only to find out how fast sound passes through the test material (the density of which is already known) to calculate its elastic modulus. The Rayon Technical

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Division apparatus, therefore, is set up to measure the velocity of sound through the fiber or film.

To one end of a horizontal bar of steel, about eight inches long, is fastened the test fiber or strip of film. The other end of the material is strung over a pulley and held taut by a weight. When a radio tube audio oscillator is turned on, the steel bar vibrates at the 10kilocycle frequency, emitting a very high note. The sound energy passes along through the test fiber or film, which in turn vibrates like a violin string. The wavelength of these vibrations is accurately measured with a sliding crystal and this figure, with the frequency (which is known), enables one to calculate the velocity of the sound.

Measuring the Brightness of Printing Paper Stock

There can no longer be any question regarding the whitness of white paper. Gaging paper color has been reduced to a science through development of a reflection meter by General Electric. Approximately 130 instruments have been built and put in use in the United States, Canada, Norway, Sweden and Finland.

The G-E reflection meter is a socalled abridged spectrophotometer, equipped with nine narrow-band filters. On plotting reflectances obtained with this instrument at the "effective wavelengths" corresponding to the nine filters, one obtains a "color curve." The spectral reflectivity obtained in this way is sufficiently precise for control of color in the paper mill.

The major use of this instrument is in the measurement and control of "brightness" of pulp and white papers-the instrument is familiarly known to the pulp and paper industry as the "brightness tester." The instrument is carefully standardized and calibrated for the evaluation of this quantity, which is reflectivity at an effective wavelength of 457 millimicrons. Of all the chemical and physical proper-ties that are measured, "brightness" correlates best with the quality of bleached pulps. From a colorimetric point of view, this quantity predicts the potential whitness of paper made from the pulp.



GE "reflection meter" in use by Institute ot Paper Chemistry, Appleton, Wisc., for determining the whiteness of paper pulp

SURVEY of WIDE READING

Electronic news in the world's press. Review of engineering, scientific and industrial journals, here and abroad

Wave-Guide Filter

H. Gutton and J. Ortusi (Academie des Sciences, Comptes Rendues, Paris, Vol. 217, No. 1).

The problem of filtering electromagnetic waves propagated in a waveguide is treated. Discontinuities in a guide cause reflection of the waves; complex reflection coefficients \mathbb{R}_n and transmission coefficients \mathbb{T}_n indicate changes in amplitude and phase of the reflected and the transmitted waves.

The wave guide is assumed to be separated into three sections, A, B, C, by two conducting diaphragms establishing discontinuities as illustrated. The resulting overall reflection and transmission coefficients R and T are computed as functions of the transmission and reflection coefficients T_1, T_2, T_3 and R_1, R_2, R_3 at the discontinuities and of the phase angle θ corresponding to the distance between the discontinuities. The formulae are:

$$R = R_{1} + \frac{R_{2}T_{2}T_{3}e^{-2i\theta}}{1 - R_{2}R_{3}e^{-2i\theta}}, \quad T = \frac{T_{1}T_{2}e^{-i\theta}}{1 - R_{2}R_{3}e^{-2i\theta}},$$

The ratio of the output to input amplitude, or the absolute value |T|of the overall transmission coefficient, is given by:

$$|\mathsf{T}| = \frac{|\mathsf{T}_1||\mathsf{T}_2|}{\left[1 - 2|\mathsf{R}_2||\mathsf{R}_3|\cos(2\theta - \varphi_2 - \varphi_3) + |\mathsf{R}_2||^2|\mathsf{R}_3||^2\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}},$$

where ϕ_2 and ϕ_3 are the arguments of the complex quantities R_2 and R_3 . The dependency of |T| on θ and consequently on the wavelength indicates the filtering properties of the device.

Filter properties

The transmission coefficient |T|will be a maximum if the cosine in the denominator is equal to unity; this is the resonance condition of the wave guide section. At the resonance frequency, if T_1 and T_2 are close to unity, the transmission coefficient |T| will also be close to unity; if $T_1 = T_2$ and $R_2 = R_3$, |T|will equal unity.

It is shown that for $T_1 = T_2 = T_3$ and $R_1 = R_2 = R_3$, the transmission coefficient as a function of θ will be equal to:



$$|T| = \frac{1 - |R_2|^2}{\left[1 - 2|R_2|^2\cos(2\theta - \varphi_2 - \varphi_3) + |R_2|^4\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

The method of computation may be applied to a succession of filter sections. A filter network comparable to the conventional filter networks can be set up within a wave guide; band pass filters are feasible.

Experiments were carried out with the H_{01} wave propagated in guides having square cross-sections of 4 cm and 30 cm side lengths, respectively. The reflecting discontinuities were formed by two conducting diaphragms provided each with a slit one millimeter wide and at right angles to the electric field. The distance between these slits was varied and the transmission measured. The experimental curve showed good agreement with the formula.

Sound Waves in Rooms

P. M. Morse and R. H. Bolt (Review of Modern Physics, April, 1944).

An extensive survey of the subject, extending over 80 printed pages, is given, followed by two and one-half pages of bibliography. Geometrical acoustics, wave acoustics, acoustic impedance, steady state and transient phenomena in rectangular rooms, effects of room shape, and free wave calculations are covered in detail.

Permeability of Iron Wires

A. W. Smith, F. P. Dickey and S. W. Foor (Journal of Applied Physics, January, 1945).

The magnetic permeability of iron wires of selected diameters in the range of from 0.0054 cm to 0.102 cm (44 to 18 gage B. & S.) is measured at wavelengths from 54 to 1,150 meters (5.556 to 261 kilocycles). The permeability values were determined from the change in inductance of a specimen coil in an oscillating circuit resulting from the introduction of the sample. Changes in inductance were calculated from changes in capacitance required to restore the initial oscillating frequency; variations in the oscillating frequency were indicated by a heterodyne method. The circuit used is described; provisions were made to maintain the current through the specimen coil at a constant and known magnitude and to prevent any dc current component from magnetizing the specimen. Specimen and coils were carefully shielded.

As will be seen from the graph, the permeability decreases with decrease in wavelength and with increase in diameter. These effects are attributed to the reduction in flux produced by the eddy currents as the cross section of the wire is increased and the wavelength is decreased. Logarithmic plots of permeability against diameters of wires at specific wavelengths indicate that the permeability varies inversely as the 0.9 power of the diameter, or to a rough approximation inversely as the diameter.

Permeability as function of wavelength and wire diameter

H=0.0245 oersted r.m.s.



H= 0.25 oersted T.m.s.

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Variation of Inductance with Core Position

T. R. W. Bushby (A. W. A. Technical Review, Sidney, Vol. 6, No. 5, 1944).

Examination of empirical data revealed a striking resemblance of the core-position vs. inductancechange curve to the normal probability curve used in statistics; this relation seems to hold for any cylindrical core. The experimental arrangement is described in detail. Results are tabulated and deviation from the expected values evaluated.

Analysis of Transmission Line Networks

N. Marchand (Electrical Communication, Vol. 22, No. 2).

The paper outlines a method of reducing a complex transmission line network to an equivalent simple transmission line circuit, permitting application of conventional equations. The equivalent transmission line circuit is obtained by theorems on the current flow in the network; the current relationships in the original and the equivalent network must be identical.

The four current theorems involved in the derivation of the current relationships in the complex transmission line network are: A—The current on the inside of the shield of a well shielded co-axial transmission line is equal and opposite to the current on the inner conductor. B-The current flowing on the inside of the shield of a well shielded, balanced, two-wire transmission line is equal and opposite to the vector sum of the currents on the balanced lines. C-At any point in a transmission line network, the sum of all the currents flowing in and out of that point is zero. D-If there are two equal and opposite currents flowing into a passive transmission line network it can be replaced by an impedance, the magnitude and phase of which may be a function of frequency.

The method is illustrated by application of the theorems to a break in the shield of a balanced line and in the shield of a coaxial line, to a shielded loop where the shield consists of two sections, and to a complex network consisting of several transmission line sections.

Chemical Analysis by X-ray Absorption

H. A. Liebhafsky and E. H. Winslow (General Electric Review, March and April, 1945).

An apparatus has been designed for the measurement of X-ray absorption upon passage through matter. The possibilities of using this phenomenon as a means of

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chemical analysis are discussed and compared with methods using absorption of light.

Velocity-Modulated Electron Beams

By F. Borgnis and E. Ledinegg (Annalen der Physik, Berlin, Vol. 34, No. 5).

The effect of the space charge on the focusing of a velocity-modulated electron beam is studied. It is to be expected that the mutually repulsive forces of the electrons in a beam of high current density prevent the electrons from approaching one another very closely and therefore, these forces influence the focusing properties of the beam.

A straight beam of finite crosssection emerging from the modulating grids is subjected to two effects: radial expansion and axial deconcentration. The first of these effects will be neglected, it can be counteracted by the action of electric or magnetic lenses; the second effect cannot be counteracted and is the subject of the following investigation.

A plane electron current extending to infinity in both directions at right angles to its propagation is considered. The electric field due to the electron space charge has only a component in the direction of propagation; its influence on the focusing of the electrons is computed.



Fig. 1. Conditions in velocity modulation

Electron paths

The electrons leaving the grids (see figure 1) at the time t_o are assumed to be velocity-modulated by a sinusoidal voltage $E_{(to)} = E \sin \omega t_o$ applied to the modulating grids. Consequently, the electrons have an initial velocity $v_{(to)}$ at the grid:

$$\mathbf{v}_{(to)} = \mathbf{v}_{o} \sqrt{1 + \omega \sin \omega t_{o}} \approx \mathbf{v}_{o} (1 + \frac{\omega}{2} \sin \omega t_{o}), \quad (1)$$

where v_{\circ} is the electron velocity corresponding to the accelerating voltage E_{\circ} , α is the modulating index or the ratio E/E_{\circ} (modulating voltage amplitude to accelerating voltage).

The distance s of an electron from the modulating grid as a function of the time interval t_1 , elapsed since the electron left the grid, is given by the expression:

$$s = v_{(to)} t_1 + Dt_1/6,$$

where
$$D = eI_o/m\epsilon$$
. (2)

m is the mass of an electron, e its electric charge, ϵ a constant equal to 0.886 x 10⁻¹³, and I_o the current density at the grid which is assumed to remain constant. The second term in the expression for s, which is zero for zero current density, describes the effect of the space charge. The equation is valid under the condition that the electrons have not overtaken one another during their travel; it does not apply to a beam if electron paths have crossed.

Electrons overtake one another, or their paths cross, if

$$\frac{dv(to)}{dto} > 0, \text{ and}$$

$$20v_{(to)} < \left(\frac{dv(to)}{dto}\right)^{2}.$$
(3)

The first condition is met for electrons leaving the modulating grid during alternate half cycles of the modulating wave.

Based on these computations a value for the maximum grid current density I_{om} which still permits crossing of the electron paths is derived.

$$I_{om} = 13.27 \ \alpha^2 \sqrt{E_o} / \sqrt{(1-\alpha)^3} \ \lambda^2 inA/cm^2. \ (4)$$

For current densities exceeding this value the mutual repulsion of the electrons within the beam will prevent crossing of the electron paths.

For instance, for an accelerating voltage E_{\circ} of 1,600 volts, a wavelength λ of 20 cm, and a modulating index α of 0.1, the maximum current density $I_{\circ m}$ will be 15.6 mA/cm².

It is shown that the space charge effect may be neglested for small modulating indices provided:

$$I_{o} \ll |3.27 \, \mathrm{c}^{2} \, \mathrm{E}^{\frac{1}{2}} / \lambda^{2} \,. \tag{5}$$

Current densities

The current density i at a point behind the modulating grids is given by the equation:

$$i = I_{0} \frac{1 + 0t_{1}^{2}/2v_{(to)}}{1 - \frac{dv_{(to)}}{dt_{0}} + \frac{t_{1}}{v_{(to)}} + 0t_{1}^{2}/2v_{(to)}}$$
(6)

Fourier analysis of the formula for the current density as a function of time leads to the following expression for i_p/I_o , where i_p is the amplitude of the pth harmonic:

$$\frac{\mathbf{i}_{p}}{\mathbf{I}_{o}} = \mathbf{J}_{p} \left\{ p \frac{\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{\omega} \mathbf{v}_{(to)} \mathbf{t}_{1}}{2 \left[\frac{\mathbf{v}_{(to)} + \frac{\mathbf{D}}{2} \mathbf{t}_{1}^{2}} \right]^{3}} \right\}^{3}$$
(7)

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NEW PATENTS ISSUED

Compensating Humidity Effects

Changes are caused by variations in humidity which affect the component parts of an oscillator circuit, particularly capacitors. It is proposed to connect a humiditycontrolled reactance-tube circuit to an oscillator in such a way as to compensate for the frequency shift due to the influence of humidity on the oscillator.

The resistance of resistor 26 is a function of the relative humidity of the surrounding atmosphere. It was found that a resistor made of lithium chloride had a resistance variation from 800,000 ohms to 2,000 ohms for a relative humidity variation from zero to 100 per cent. It will be seen that the bias voltage on the grid of the reactance tube 15 varies with the resistance of resistor 26 and in turn will effect a change in the frequency of the oscillator. Consequently, the reactance tube circuit can be so dimensioned as to compensate for the frequency drift caused by the relative humidity of the surrounding air. It may be required to interchange capacitor 19 and resistor 18 to obtain the correct frequency-humidity dependence.

M. R. Briggs, Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co., (F) July 24, 1941, (I) January 23, 1945, No. 2,367,924.



COMPENSATING CIRCUIT

UHF Resonant Circuit

The invention contemplates a tuned circuit wherein different transit time distances, which result in a low Q-value, are compensated for by subjecting the electrons in the tuned circuit to different accelerating potentials so that their transit times are substantially equalized. The tuned circuit proposed by the invention consists of a conductive space-wound ribbon-like spiral or helix possessing inductance and distributed capacitance to resonate at the desired frequency, and subjected to a progressive potential gradient intended to compensate for differences in electron transit distances.



The figure shows two ribbons H_1 and H_2 connected in series in a balanced transmitter or receiver. To provide tuning facilities, the ends E of the ribbon may be adjusted by a winch, screw or cord for altering the space between the turns of the spiral and changing its distributed capacitance.

As shown by a graph, the device exhibits a Q-value of approximately 1100 to 1300 over a tuning range of from 250 to 475 megacycles for a metal ribbon of 3½ inches in length and ¼ of an inch in width. The same or higher Q-values may be achieved with smaller spirals at frequencies upwards of 1000 megacycles.

R. L. Harvey, RCA, (F) April 1, 1942, (I) January 16, 1945, No. 2,367,576.

Wide Band Amplifier

Negative feedback amplifiers frequently have a tendency to sing at some high frequency well above the transmitted band. This presents the problem of so controlling the gain and the phase shift around the feedback loop as to secure the maximum amount of feedback in the pass band while maintaining a suitable margin against singing at potential singing frequencies; absolutely stable amplifiers are secured. As an alternative it has been suggested that this margin be sacrificed in the interest of increased useful gain, provided the sing amplitude is held down to so low a level that no harmful overloading is produced by it. This is accomplished by controlling both the gain and phase shift characteristics of the feedback loop in response to the singing condition; the feedback factor is reduced over the cut-off region and simultaneously increased in the useful range.



A thermistor in the interstage network 8 provides for the changes in phase and amplitude characteristics of the feedback loop. A steady heating current may also pass through the thermistor to bias it to the desired operating range. At all gains lower than that to produce the sing condition at the controlled frequency range, the amplifier is made to have unconditional stability. The design requirements for network 8 in relation to the rest of the amplifier are discussed.

H. W. Bode. Bell Laboratories, Inc., (F) January 12, 1943, (I) January 23, 1945, No. 2.367.711.

Sawtooth Wave Generator

A method and apparatus are proposed for modifying a non-linear sawtooth wave to become perfectly linear. For this purpose a control voltage is derived conforming to the instantaneous deviation from linearity of the sawtooth wave section to be corrected, and this voltage is used to compensate for the non-linearity of the original wave.

A voltage proportional to the slope of the generated wave will be impressed across coil 17 and the difference between this voltage and a constant voltage on resistor 9, which corresponds to the desired slope of the wave, constitutes the input to the linearity correction amplifier. If the generated wave has the desired slope, no input will be applied to the linearity correction amplifier; any deviation from the de-sired slope will cause the amplifier to operate. Its output is made equal to the necessary voltage for correction of instantaneous non-linearity; it is proved mathematically that this required voltage will be proportional to the difference in slope of the desired voltage and of the voltage to be corrected. The amplifier has a short time constant so as to be responsive to high frequencies.



The timed cut-off amplifier is introduced to permit correction of the sawtooth wave only during the major portion of the rising wave; obviously no linearity control is to be introduced close to the minimum and maximum values of a sawtooth wave. The timing bias control provides suitable interruption of the timed cut-off circuit; it may be operated by the wave generator or by an additional timing wave generator.

chronized with the wave generator. Alternatively, the output of the timed cut-off amplifier may be applied to the wave generator, and no mixer included in the circuit.

A. N. Goldsmith, RCA, (F) January 31, 1942, (I) January 9, 1945, No. 2,367,116.

Broad Band Antenna

The small, rigid antenna developed for installation on aircraft offers comparatively little wind resistance so as not to impair the performance of the aircraft; it is further designed to operate at high frequencies and over a wide frequency band.

The antenna consists of a metal cone 60, a metal disc 62 and a connecting transmission line 12, 14; the disc may be slightly concave. The antenna is mounted on the fuselage 2. A shield 64 of non-conducting material may be provided to minimize wind resistance. The metal layer 62 may be



sputtered or otherwise deposited on the inner or outer surface of the shield 64. Alternatively, the metal disc 62 may form (Continued on page 194)

ASSOCIATION NEWS

Happenings of the month concerning industry organizations

RMA Canadian-American Gathering to Be Repeated

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Radio Manufacturers Association wound up its first joint American-Canadian meeting late in April after two days that brought together thirty-one American and an equal number of Canadian industry leaders. The gathering was held April 25 and 26 at the Mount Royal in Montreal. The Canadians were the hosts. It is planned for the Americans to be hosts at a similar joint meeting tentatively scheduled for the Westchester Country Club in Rye, N. Y., during September.

At the Montreal meeting, "off the record" general outlines of war production of radio and radar equipment both in the United States and Canada were detailed by high-ranking officials of the two countries, and the industry conferees discussed mutual problems and means of bettering relations. Highlights were talks by Major General William H. Harrison, Chief of Procurement and Distribution Service, U. S. Signal Corps; Captain Jennings B. Dow, Director of Elec-tronics Division, Bureau of Ships, Navy Department; Director Louis J. Chatten, of WPB Radio & Radar Division, and Ray C. Ellis, special WPB consultant with the Johns Hopkins University and former Radio & Radar Division director. Other speakers included J. A. Beckingham, Director General, Signals Production Branch, Department of Munitions and Supply, and M. C. Lowe, Administrator of Capital Equipment and Electrical Products, Wartime Prices & Trade Board

UHF Radio Relays

Two more applications for use of portions of the UHF spectrum have been filed with the Federal Communications Commission. One is by Radio Corp. of America which has asked for permission to establish a Washington-New York relay with eight relay points between RCA general offices in New York and Washington. Peak power would be 500 watts.

The other request has been filed by Federal Telephone & Radio Corp., Newark, N. J., which proposes to use pulse-time methods in a circuit between air terminals, intermediate air fields and planes enroute with terminals on the I. T. & T. building in New York and in Washington. Frequencies requested are 4,200,000 to 5,200,000 kc inclusive; 1,225,000 to 1,325,000 kc inclusive; and 7 to 8,500,000 kc inclusive using A2, A3, A4, A5 and special emission. Power would be 10 watts.

The ultimate purpose is to serve as an ultra high frequency radio relay system supplying coordinated information to the airways serving the terminal cities, their intermediate air fields and planes in flight. In addition, the link is to be used for the transmission of weather and traffic information.

Postpone Inter-American Radio Conference

The Department of State has been advised that the Brazilian Government has decided to postpone to September 3, 1945, the Third Inter-American Radio Conference which was scheduled to take place in Rio de Janeiro on June 1, 1945. The Conference is being postponed in order to afford the governments participating in the Conference more time to prepare their preliminary proposals.

Vertical Radiators

War Production Board has authorized production of a limited number of vertical radiators by John E. Lingo & Son, Camden, N. J. Construction and sale of the equipment is to be permitted without priorities, from materials on hand with the proviso that the entire job must be completed within 60 days of the authorization date, which was April 21.

RMA Membership Gains

Admission of ten additional new members to RMA by the Association's Board of Directors at its meeting April 25 in Montreal, brought the RMA membership to a total of 246, a now high watermark. The Armour Research Foundation of Chicago was admitted to associate membership. Other new RMA active members include: A. R. F. Products, River Forest, Ill.; Bell & Howell Co., Chicago; Tobe Deutschmann Corp., Canton; Finch Telecommunications, Inc., Passaic, N. J.; Hewlett Packard Co., Palo Alto, Calif.; Jefferson-Travis Radio Mfg. Corp., New York; Permo, Inc., Chicago; The Radio Craftsmen, Chicago, and The Radiotechnic Laboratory, Evanston, Ill.

IRE Building Fund Over Half Subscribed

The Building Fund program of the Institute of Radio Engineers has more than reached the half-way mark of \$500,000. As of May 3, a total of \$320,000 had been collected representing some 608 subscrip-tions, of which 437 came from individuals and 171 from corporations. The universal appeal of the cause for which the fund is being raised is indicated by the fact that the first 500 subscriptions came from 37 States, Canada, Hawaii, Alaska and the District of Columbia. Dr. Austin Bailey (AT&T) heads the IRE Section solicitation committee which includes membership in 33 U.S. and Canadian Sections. Of these Sections, Cincinnati has the distinction of being the first to reach its quota, and, in fact, has gone over the top with 128 per cent of its goal.

Sir Ambrose Fleming

Another radio pioneer who will always occupy a unique niche in the history of the development of the art, has succumbed at the age of 95. Sir Ambrose Fleming, who ranks with deForest in making possible all modern communication development, died in England on April 19. He originated the diode vacuum tube, which originally was known as the Fleming valve. His invention, based on the now well known "Edison effect," made it possible to rectify radio signals in a manner much more certain and satisfactory than had previously been possible through the use of crystals and by other mechanical or chemical methods. It was de-Forest who added the grid, thus making it possible to control the functions of a vacuum tube.

Meck Moves in Chicago

John Meck Industries, Inc., Plymouth, Indiana, has moved its Chicago expediting office to 35 East Wacker Drive. It is under the direction of Fred Arnold.

NEWS OF THE INDUSTRY

Bendix to Launch Plane Radio Program

A separate engineering and sales organization to coordinate development, manufacture and marketing of a complete line of efficient, low cost radio communications and navigation equipment for personal airplanes is to be established by Bendix Radio Division of Bendix Aviation Corp., Baltimore. George Myrick, at one time administrative consultant to the Civil Aeronautics Authority and more recently marketing director for Bendix radio, will be Manager of the division. Charles F. Luscombe, former domestic and foreign field service representative for the division in both the European and Pacific theaters of the war, has been named Sales Engineer. Engineering development has been assigned to Vernon Moore. who was responsible for the original design work on the Bendix radio compass now generally used by commercial airlines. General supervision of personal plane engineering and sales program will be in charge of W. L. Webb, director of engineering, and John W. Hammond, communications radio sales manager of the division.

Westinghouse Shortens Name

Hereafter it is to be Westinghouse Electric Corporation. At the annual meeting of the Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., stockholders voted to change the company's name to the shorter title in the interest of simplicity and brevity. At the same time stock in the company was split four for one.

Raytheon New York Move

Receiving tube division of the Raytheon Mfg. Co., has been moved from 420 Lexington avenue, New York, to 60 East 42nd street. General sales headquarters remain at Newton, Mass.

McMinn Broadcasts Talk on Electronics in Industry

Stanley P. McMinn, managing editor of "Electronic Industries," outlined many modern applications of electronics in industry in a radio talk broadcast middle of April over station WMCA sponsored by the Commerce and Industry Association of New York. Associated with him on the program, devoted to "The Electron — Your Invisible



John Mills (Bell Labs), Thomas Jefferson Miley (Commerce & Industry Assn. of N. Y.), and Managing Editor Stanley P. McMinn before WMCA's mikes

Servant", were John Mills, Bell Telephone Laboratories, and Dr. Otto S. Shairer, staff vice-president of RCA.

Standard Resumes

Standard Electrical Products Co., 400 Linden Avenue, Dayton, Ohio, has resumed production of relays, transformers and other electronic control devices. Originally operated in St. Paul-Minneapolis, the plant was closed in 1941, when its owner entered military service.

Belmont Acts for DPC on Disposals

With the leasing of additional factory space in Chicago, the Belmont Radio Corp. in April assumed management, as agent of the Defense Supplies Corporation, of a central plant for the disposal of surplus military electronic equipment. The plant, which will ultimately occupy 72,000 sq. ft. of floor space, will serve as a regional redistribution center for electronic and radio material that is obsolete or surplus for military needs or has been salvaged.

Equipment to be disposed of through the Belmont-operated plant will be that released by the Signal Corps or the Navy and not returned to the original manufacturers for disposal as agents of the Defense Supplies Corporation. While many manufacturers have agreed to serve as agents of the DSC in handling surplus materials which they originally produced, others do not have the space or facilities to reconvert them to peacetime needs. Estimates on the value of military electronic equipment which may be declared surplus range from three to fifteen billion dollars.

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NEW TRADE LITERATURE

Industrial X-Rays

Industrial x-ray units for low voltage radiography are described in a new booklet issued by the Picker X-Ray Corp., 300 Fourth avenue, New York. The instrument is adjustable to operate at 5 to 50 kv, and features convenience in handling. A number of illustrative x-ray pictures are shown.

Coaxial Accessories

Pressurized coaxial cable lines and accessories are illustrated in a new catalogue from the Andrew Co., Chicago, Ill. Both rigid and soft temper copper lines with bead supported center conductors are offered. Various junction boxes, glass terminals and other plumbing fittings are available.

Selenium Rectifiers

Selenium rectifiers, their principles, properties and construction are fully discussed in a new engineering manual just published by the Fansteel Metallurgical Corp., North Chicago, Ill. Efficiency, regulation, temperature range, voltage and current characteristics, forward and reverse resistance characteristics and ratings at elevated temperatures are all reported in detail, with illustrations, tables and curves.

Panoramic Reception

"From One Ham to Another," a new book dealing with the technic of panoramic reception for the amateur radio operator has been published by the Panoramic Radio Corp., 242-250 West 55th street, New York 19. The book describes the problems that confront amateur radio operators and proposes solutions in reducing the number of missed signals, in determining quickly which frequencies are free and in stepping-up efficiency. Precise diagrams appear throughout the booklet.

Liquid Polystyrene

A new technical bulletin giving full information on Polyweld, which is a pure polystyrene in solution

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WHAT'S NEW

Devices, products and materials the manufacturers offer



Reverse Current Relay

A reverse current relay, Type 9100, is being manufactured by the R-B-M Mfg. Co., division of Essex Wire Corp., Logansport, Ind., for low voltage de application. The design incorporates a magnetic latch which prevents accidental closing of armature and contacts due to vibration up to 10G, or heavy shock. Contacts rated 100 amperes at 30 volts de maximum. Physical dimensions: width, 4 1/16 in.; depth, 3 7/16 in.; height, 2 1/16 in. Another model, Type 9000, without a magnetic latch, is available for use where severe vibration and shock are not encountered.



Midget Air Pump

A midget, panel-mounted dry air pump has been developed by the Andrew Co., 363 East 75th St., Chicago 19, Ill. It is 6 in. long (behind panel) and 2 in. in diameter. The small size makes it possible to mount this pump directly on a panel, making it an integral part of the apparatus which it pressurizes. Output is 3 cu. in. per stroke. Weight 10 oz. The pump has a transparent plastic cylinder which contains the drying agent. The latter is blue until its dehydrating capacity is exhausted. Then it turns pink, at which time it may be re-activated or replaced.



Power Booster

The improved HP-16 power booster, development of the Talk-A-Phone Electronic Laboratories, 1512 So. Pulaski Rd., Chicago, delivers a minimum of 15 watts, sufficient to cover the average paging system requirements. The booster will work with the majority of inter-communication systems, though certain models have been specially designed for it. The unit measures $6 \times 12 \times 6^{1}_{4}$ in. high, is equipped with onoff switch pilot indicator and variable volume control. All controls are easily accessible and the unit may be placed anywhere near the master station. The units are connected to the master station by four wires.



Time Delay Relay

A new type motor-operated time delay relay has been developed by the R. W. Cramer Co., Centerbrook, Conn. The relay is operated by a permanent magnet type motor arranged for any voltage from 6 to 30 dc or for operation on 110 v or 220 ac, 50 or 60 cycle. The time range extends from 1.25 seconds, minimum setting, to 10 minutes, maximum. Switch units are SPDT with quick double make, double break contacts rated at 0 almp. at either 24 v dc or 110 v ac.



Interpolating Counter Dial

An interpolating counter dial is being manufactured by the Technical Radio Co., 275 Ninth St., San Francisco, with scale graduations from 0 to 100 for each revolution of the dial. Each graduation has two marked divisions making a total of 200 readable parts on the dial, with a practical possibility of estimating accurately at least 200 more settings. An additional counting mechanism records each dial revolution, either forward or backward, thereby giving an accurate log of the setting in revolutions and fractions of a revolution. There is no back lash because the dial is coupled directly to the driven apparatus. When used with a roller coil variable inductor it is possible to obtain an exact record of the number of turns or fractions thereof at any setting.



Non-Resonant Capacitors

The Sprague Electric Co., North Adams, Mass., has developed capacitors that do not show resonance at frequencies as high as 50 megacycles and, in many instances, even up to 300 megacycles. These capacitors are installed by connecting them in the circuit in the same manner as a low-pass filter would be connected. Their two terminals are connected in series with the circuit, and the container is grounded in the usual manner.



Variable Voltage Unit

The Superior Electric Co., Bristol, Conn., is manufacturing a compact, portable source of variable ac voltage, for connection to a single-phase outlet. Voltage setting is indicated by a one per cent voltmeter. A circuit breaker prevents overloading. Model U-1000 voltbox operates from a 115-volt line to deliver an output variable from 0 to 135 v. at 7.5 amps; model U-800 has twice the voltage rating and an output current of 3 amps. A regulated unit, R-500, containing a voltage stabilizer, designed for operation on 115-volt lines, with a maximum output of 500 va., also js available.



Crystal Holders

A new line of crystal holders is being offered by the National Electronic Mfg. Corp., 22-78 Steinway St., Long Island City, N. Y. A feature of the holders is the fact that they prevent deterioration of the crystal by repelling water vapor under tropical conditions.





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RECONVERSION- "BLUEPRINT" — "Blueprint" for civilian radio production has been gaged to the falling off of military requirements below two percentage levels -one which permits production of replacement tubes and non-broadcasting end-equipment and the other probably after the surrender of Japan when broadcasting, FM and television sets can be manufactured. This plan was unanimously approved by the WPB Radio and Radar Industry Advisory Committee and was announced by the Radio & Radar Division Director Louis J. Chatten. General Limitation Order L-265, the basic order regulating the production of electronic equipment during the war, is the key which will open the door for civilian production. Plan is for revision of the order during Period One between V-E and Japan's surrender and then its revocation after V-J day.

FLOW OF COMPONENTS—Because component production is completed two or three months in advance of end-equipment deliveries, the WPB Radio & Radar Industry Advisory Committee plan calls for the making of the revision and the revocation of Order L-265 effective three months in advance of the month in which military requirements are scheduled to reach stated reduced levels.

PATTERN FOR REVISION—Revision to come when scheduled military orders for electronic equipment recede below 90 per cent of the average monthly delivery rate for the first quarter of 1945 and will permit unrestricted production of components, including tubes for replacement purposes and all electronic end-equipment, except broadcasting, receiving and reproducing equipment for entertainment purposes.

PRIORITIES TO CONTINUE—Revocation is slated when scheduled military requirements recede below 75 per cent of the delivery rate for the first quarter of 1945, but a two-band rating system (priorities) is to be continued to assure preference for military and highly essential civilian requirements over other civilian deliveries. Director Chatten emphasized that this program will permit practically unrestricted sale of such components as are needed for repair and replacement purposes and production and distribution of a very limited quantity of non-military end-equipment to be channelled into the most essential uses.

FULL CIVILIAN PRODUCTION—Big "if" is whether Japan will capitulate more quickly now that its Axis partner, Germany, has been completely beaten. Considerable Washington thinking leans toward this possibility, but war effort cannot be geared on hopes so military production will go on—example, Navy's plan for scheduling \$80,000,000 of radio, radar and sonar equipment per month for next twelve months.

IF JAPAN SURRENDERS—If Japan surrender comes, manufacturers can rush into broadcast-FM-television production and all should plan for deliveries of components; component manufacturers at the same time must plan now to get the materials and metals to go into their products.

SOME PRODUCTION NOW— Under the 90 per cent level communications, aviation and emergency equipment (police, fire, etc.) can be produced. When 75 per cent of military deliveries is attained, broadcast transmitting equipment and apparatus for buses, trucks, taxis and other mobile services can be produced. Railroad radio apparatus is classed with the emergency essential category. For mobile services only experimental equipment can be delivered at present; one fixed and two or three portable sets. No immediate change in FCC freeze order of Jan. 16, 1945, is projected despite the fact that the Commission has on file over 700 applications for new standard, FM and television stations. Only relaxation in broadcasting by WPB has been for a limited number of antenna towers.

STUDY PATENT RELATIONSHIPS—Relationships of leading American companies on patents with Philips and other foreign electronic radio interests is likely to be a facet of investigation, particularly on the theme of cartel controls. Senate inquiry presents significant potentialities in regard to current government patent study under Secretary of Commerce Wallace and it is noteworthy that Senate Subcommittee Chairman, Senator Briggs, was personal choice of President Truman to succeed latter in Senate. American manufacturers, not in big company category, may join in investigation in terms of radio-radar-electronic patent licensing policy revision.

MILITARY SURPLUSES OUTLOOK—Accumulation of surplus Army-Navy equipment is expected to flow into Surplus Property Board jurisdiction in much greater quantities during next few months than in the past. This will mean a good testing of the disposal procedure, set up by the RFC's Defense Supplies Corporation and in which around 70 end-equipment and 170 component companies have joined to act as the agents for the government in selling the excess equipment and parts to civilian users.

QUANTITIES QUESTIONABLE—No certain estimates of the amount of surplus equipment to be available can be determined because the military authorities have not yet accurately evaluated the amount of apparatus which may have to be left in Europe with the occupation forces or for the rehabilitation of European communications. Another important factor is that a large precentage of the surplus apparatus and components to date, particularly tubes, is not useful in civilian equipment and has to be channelled back to military production or scrapped. The latter case is best exemplified by the former bulky radar sets, now discarded for improved equipments.

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relays IN MARINE COMMUNICATIONS

From ship to ship and from ship to shore—whether on war craft or on peacetime boats of commerce and travel—marine radio cammunications equipment plays a major role. Leading manufacturers of such equipment use Relays by Guardian, two of which are shown installed in the DC power supply unit of the HT-11 Radiophone manufactured by the Hallicratters Company, Chicago.

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Both relays are Guardian Series 115 with double wound coils for operation on 6 or 12 volts D.C. with the 6 volt winding in parallel and the 12 volt winding in series. It is a small, compact relay, ideal for use where space is limited.

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Dry Type Transformer

R. E. Uptegraff Mfg. Co., Scottdale, Pa., has developed a new dry type F transformer, for indoor use. They are built in standard capacities from 100 VA to $7\frac{1}{2}$ KVA, single phase, and with upper voltage limit up to 2500 volts. Larger capacities can also be supplied.



Circuit Tester

A new multipurpose circuit tester for acceptance tests of residential and commercial wiring has been developed by the Connecticut Telephone & Electric Division of Great American Industries, Inc., Meriden, Conn. A special indicator attachment visually determines the polarity of wires. The tester operates on a hand-cranked generator which develops 500 volts dc, regulated to assure a uniform test regardless of cranking speed.



AC Voltmeter

Simultaneous readings of alternating current and voltage are taken with a new voltammeter, Model 601, being manufactured by Associated Research. 221 South Green St., Chicago 7, III. The ammeter measures from 0.2 to 500 amperes in eight current ranges: 0-1, 0-5, 0-10, 0-25, 0.50, 0-100, 0-250, 0-500. The voltmeter measures from 30 to 600 volts in three ranges: 0-150, 0-300, 0-600. The voltmeter can also be used on dc at these ranges. An inserted primary current transformer with 8 ft. secondary leads facilitates the measurement of current on the 0-100, 0-250, and 0-500 ampere scales without subjecting the meter to the stray magnetic fields. User can locate the meter where it can easily be read, regardless of the current transformer's location. The range selector switch on the panel permits quick reading of currents in all the eight ranges.



AC Generator

A lightweight ac generator which consists of a permanent magnet rotor and two independent 750 ohm windings 90 degrees apart has been developed by Ampex Electric and Mfg. Co., 1414 El Camino Real, San Carlos, Calif. When driven at a speed of 1200 rpm, this generator has an output of 20 cps with an rms voltage of 60. Without the use of filters the harmonic content under these conditions is less than 2 per cent. Corresponding frequencies and voltages can be obtained with other driving speeds, Another model is available with an output voltage of 25 rms at 1200 rpm.





Signal Generators

Two new signal generators, Types SG-2A and SG-3A, have been developed by the Specialty Division of the General Electric Company's Electronics Department, Schenectady, N. Y. Separate units have been designed, one to provide a signal source only, the other to make possible calibrated output readings. The Type SG-2A signal generator was built to give an efficient signal source. On fundamental frequencies the range covers 100 kilocycles to 32 megacycles in five bands which are selected on the front panel. Modulation of the unit (30 per cent), is effected by the constant current method on Changes the plate of the oscillator tube. in line voltage and attenuator settings do not affect the frequency of the instrument. The Type SG-3A signal generator permits directly calibrated readings of radio frequency output, with subdivided readings of signals of 0.5 to 100,000 microvolts, at all frequencies from 100 kilocycles to 32 megacycles. By using second harmonics, signals to 64 megacycles are available. A up vacuum tube voltmeter monitors the output of the modulated oscillator to the attenuator while a panel control is used to maintain a constant level. Five complete reading scales are possible on the large full-vision dial with coincidental bands from 100 kilocycles up to 32 megacycles.



Open Blade Switch

A small single-pole open blade switch is being put out by the Acro Electric Co., 1308 Superior Avenue, Cleveland 14, Ohio, Engineered with the beryllium rolling spring, overall dimensions are approximately $2 1/32 \times 10/16 \times 23/64$ in. Contact arrangements are for normally open, normally closed or double throw circuits. Means of actuation provided by the user. Standard operating pressure at the end of the blade is 3 to 6 oz. Rated at 15 amp., 115 volts ac.

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French Tele Prepares For Postwar Operation

With respect to the status of television in France, the International Telephone and Telegraph Corp. has received a cablegram from Guy Rabuteau, French scientist in charge of the laboratories of Le Materiel Telephonique, Paris, the IT & T associate which designed and installed the television station in the Eiffel Tower in Paris in 1938, in which Mr. Rabuteau states:

"Robert Buron, French broadcasting administrator, speaking on behalf of Jean Guigenbert, broadcasting director, held a conference on March 1 to inform French television manufacturers of his administration's plans for television. He explained that at the outbreak of war France was about to start television on a wide scale.

"Despite German occupation. French research organizations have continued developing television technique and manufacturers are now in a position to deliver pickup equipment, transmitters, receivers suitable for black and white high definition television and later on full color television. French Administration considers that the public will insist on a television service having a quality as comparable as possible to that of the movies and the French Broadcasting Administration feels bound to make this available at the earliest possible moment.

"Their plans for 1945 are to order from the various manufacturers experimental equipment so as to be able to choose in about a year's time an up-to-date television standard. Experiments will be made on both 750 and 1,000 line black and white images. Low power transmitters will be ordered to enable field tests on 1,500, 600 and 150 megacycles. Meanwhile, the prewar Eiffel Tower station working on 455 lines with 30 kw peak power temporarily will resume."

Military Reveals More Electronic Equipment

Military secrecy was lifted, middle of April, on a number of hitherto unmentionable electronic devices. The revelation was made at a press demonstration arranged at Fort Myer, Va. Among new equipment was a portable mobile radar aircraft detection set which is compact enough for use even in a foxhole, and will spot a plane 120 miles away. Another was an electronically operated locator, so linked to a searchlight battery that aircraft are automatically kept in the beams of the searchlight. A third equipment was a radio controlled detonator with which it is possible to fire mines up to a distance of 20 miles away by dialing a series of numbers on a dial similar to an ordinary telephone.

Philco Puts Telecast in New **Division**

Philco Radio and Television Corp. Philadelphia, has formed a Television Broadcasting Division, which will be headed up by Ernest B. Loveman as vice-president in charge of all telecasting activities. The new division will direct all the company's station, broadcasting and network activities, including WPTZ and the new network linking Washington and Philadelphia.

Enemy Patents

Short descriptions and illustrative drawings of approximately 37,000 mechanical and electrical patents may be obtained for \$25 from the Office of Alien Property Custodian, 311 Field Building, Chicago 3, Ill. Sections dealing with any particular subject are available at proportional cost; an index of these sections may be procured free of charge from the Alien Property Custodian.

Tele and FM Separate

There have been one or two proposals suggesting that television broadcasters be permitted to use their voice channels for FM broadcasts during certain hours when transmission of pictures is impractical, but FCC frowns on the idea. First proponent of the plan was A. J. Mosby, general manager of KGVO, Missoula, Mont., and the idea was advanced during the recent FCC allocations hearings in Washington. Now, however, FCC Commissioner Paul Porter has made it plain that the commission views FM and tele as two separate and distinct services, each to be developed in its own right. There is to be no mixing of the two in the manner proposed.

Boston Video Station

The 20th Century Fox Film Corp., which recently leased former television station W1XG from the General Television Corp. in Boston, has asked FCC for permission to erect an experimental video station of its own in that city. The request seeks assignment to channel No. 1.

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single-position, general-purpose work table, for use in any application of in-duction heating, is being put out by the Induction Heating, is being put out by the Induction Heating Corp., 389 Lafayette Street, N. Y. 3, N. Y. It is equipped with a standard Thermonic output transformer, so mounted as to effect interchangeability from one type transformer to another. The table bench includes a sink for use in spray quenching operations. Water piping provisions for spray quenching are incorporated together with a solenoid-operated valve and a quench flow regulator for controlling the timing and volume of the quench. The con-trol circuit contains two timers; one for controlling the quenching period and the other for controlling the delay period from the end of the heating cycle to the start of the quench cycle. Accessory equipment includes a rotating spindle mounted below the work coil and quench ring to provide for rotation of the work during the operating cycle. This feature has found extensive in gear hardening applications, where automatic control of heat and quench cycles assure economical, uniform results.



Multi-Range Meter Tester

A multi-range tester has been developed by the Marion Electrical Instrument Co., Manchester, N. H. It is a multi-range instrument with self-contained regulated power supply and control equipment for use on 110 volts ac, 60 cycles and is composed of a stepless vacuum tube voltage control; a large 81/2 in. mirror scale standard equip-ment and a decade of .1 per cent accurate wire wound resistors. The range of the unit is 25 microamps full scale, 10 ma full scale and 0-100 volts full scale. Overall accuracy is better than 1/2 of 1 per cent. Basic sensitivity 10 ma. Resistors are wound of manganin wire on ceramic forms to an accuracy of .1 per cent and are triple im-pregnated and tropicalized. The vacuum control, using a type 6N7 as a grid controlled variable resistor, gives complete and smooth control of power. The power supply smooth control of power. The power supply is a conventional unit with a 6X5 full wave rectifier with a type VR150-OD3 voltage regulator to the tubes.

Synthetic Insulation

A synthetic tubular wire insulation has been developed by the Walter L. Schott Co., 9306 Santa Monica Boulevard, Beverly Hills, Calif. Dielectric strength at room temperature averages 15,000 volts, with a guaranteed minimum of 12,000 volts for all sizes. Forty-eight hours immersion in water results in a reduction of less than ten per cent of original dielectric strength. Will not become hard or brittle under temperatures ranging from minus 35 deg. C. to plus 75 deg. C. This insulation is practically impervious to oils, grease, alcohol, hydro-carbons, alkalies and acids; it is, however, affected by ketones and some chlorinated hydro-carbons. Average tensile strength is 3,000 psi.



Precision Resistors

Two new series of resistors (series 82 and 83) are being manufactured by the Ohmite Mfg. Co., 4984 Flournoy St., Chicago 44, Ill. Both units are pie wound to 1 per cent accuracy. Specially enameled alloy resistance wire is non-inductively pie-wound on a nonhygroscopic ceramic bobbin which has a hole through the center for a No. 6 screw. After being wound, the units are vacuum impregnated with a special varnish which provides additional insulation and protects the winding against humidity. The resistors can be supplied with a varnish coating containing a fungicidal agent.



Decade Unit

Harvey-Wells Electronics, Inc., Southbridge, Mass., has developed a decade unit which makes immediately available almost any desired value or combination of values covering capacitance, inductance, resistance, transformer ratios, etc., over a wide range. Circuit components in this decade unit will dissipate heat and power and stand up under operating conditions.



High Vacuum Rectifier

This new type 3B27 rectifier is a high vacuum type resulting in excellent applicability where disturbance from power supply must be kept to a minimum. Unusual construction features include double heaters and cathodes, ceramic spacers for low leakage and extra heavy supports for immunity to severe vibration and mechanical shock. Ratings are: peak inverse voltage 8,500, peak plate current 0.6 amps., average plate current 0.150 amps. Filament draws 5.0 amps. at 2.5 volts. Base is medium fourpin bayonet. It is a product of Electronic Enterprises, Inc., 65-67 Seventh Ave., Newark 4, N. J.



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TUBE SHORTAGE

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bers of trained mounters. In addition over the last fifteen years tubes have become increasingly complex. Where it was once possible to achieve production of 40 or more mounts per operator-hour, smaller and more complex mounts in present and prospective post-war tubes show figures in the 10 to 20 region depending on type.

Because of the nature of the work and the assurance of continuous employment after the war, large numbers of women are expected to be attracted to this field when cutbacks in other industries come. There will be a long training and sifting period. It takes years to develop a really good mount operator. Some show good results after a few months but few become proficient in so short a time.

No satisfactory means for automatically mounting radio tubes (one type excepted) has been devised. Present technique, barring methods and time study, is exactly the same as it was 15 years ago. It is believed that no outstanding advance will occur in the next five years.

It is obvious that the industry machine capacity in itself will not determine the probable output of radio tubes because of the influence of the factors just noted. The following table is an estimate of the radio receiving tube machine capacity based on 250 eight-hour days per year and an estimate of the probable output, taking into account these other factors:

	Radio Receiv Tubes Per Y	ing ear
Year	Machine Capacity	Probable Output
VE+1 VE+2 VE+3 VE+4 VE+5	243,000,000 267,000,000 293,000,000 323,000,000 355,000,000	195,000,000 212,000,000 235,000,000 261,000,000 290,000,000

During the five-year period following the end of the European war, all indications are that demand will far exceed supply. Although there is a discussion of 20 million radio set years, experts do not believe more than 17 million radios per year will be produced in the first few years following cessation of hostilities. In addition, there are estimates of a million television sets per year, each set with 20 to 25 tubes. It, therefore, seems unlikely that the radio tube shortage will be alleviated for some years to come. The following table compares the potential demand with the estimated supply:

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"BO" POWER RELAY

The "BO" relay is an all-purpose double pole power relay. Like other Allied types it is ruggedly designed yet features compactness and minimum weight. This relay utilizes molded Bakelite insulation throughout. Contact rating is 15 amperes at 24 volts DC or 110 volts AC non-inductive. The "BO" relay can be furnished normally open, normally closed or double throw and is available for either AC or DC service. Weighs 4 ounces.

> Height 17/s"; Length 15/s" Width 1 13/32"





"DO" TYPES 3 and 4 POLE

The "DO" three and four pole relay is similar in function to the "BO" type described above. It supersedes the old three and four pole type and features such modifications as simplified terminal arrangements, adjustable contacts, and improved mechanical structure. By using molded Bakelite insulation throughout, greater electrical clearance is provided. Contacts are rated at 15 amperes at 24 volts DC or 110 volts AC non-inductive. Can be furnished normally open, normally closed, double throw and for AC or DC service as specified. Weight for three pole type 7 oz., four pole 71/2 oz.

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TUBE SHORTAGE

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i.	VE	234	160	74	31.0	
	VE-1	307	195	112	36.5	
	VE-2	319	212	107	33.5	
	VE-3	310	235	75	24.0	
	VE-4	282	261	21	7.5	
	VE-5	328	290	38	11.5	

It goes without saying that the military, aircraft and naval portion of the demand during the remaining years of the Japanese conflict will be satisfied come what may This injects a leverage that would raise the first three years' potential shortage from thirty odd per cent to a probable fifty per cent when regarded from the civilian demand standpoint. Each year a portion of this unsatisfied demand would carry over to inject further leverage and probably raise VE+4 and VE+5 to flatten out the whole five-year period.

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Receiving Tube Production before the War					
Year	Millions of Tubes	Per cent of 1941	Per cent of 1929		
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BELOW: Same units mounted in a

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PROJECTION TELE

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The cross section of this projection unit is shown in Fig. 1. The lens system is $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. in diameter and has a speed of f/1.5. The focal length is 144 mm.

This lens system can be of relatively inexpensive construction at least for black and white pictures, when produced in mass quantity. The DuMont Laboratories report that a number of simple and inexpensive lenses have been tried with this projection equipment and that the results are satisfactory.

The 7 in. projection tube used in this unit has a flat screen face. The actual image on the tube is approximately 4×5 in. Magnetic deflection and magnetic focusing are used.

A feature of this particular form of television projection is that the color system in which a rotating color filter wheel is used can be rather easily adapted to it. It is a fairly simple matter to interpose a color wheel in front of the rather small cathode ray tube for the purpose of producing the three primary color images which are then enlarged by the lens system. Such a color filter wheel cannot be easily interposed between the tube and the spherical mirror employed in the Schmidt projection system as they are presently mounted in proposed home projection receivers.

However, the color system can be used with the Schmidt projector provided the projection tube is mounted back of the spherical mirror and a suitable reflecting surface is placed where the screen of the cathode ray tube would normally be. In this way, a color wheel can be placed between the screen of the cathode ray tube and the hole which is cut through the bottom of the spherical mirror and suitable color projection obtained.

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The second model is based on the direct viewing principle in which a 20 in. diameter cathode ray tube is used to produce a $13\frac{1}{2}$ by 18 in. picture. The principal feature of this equipment is the arrangement to reduce the depth of the cabinet

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(Continued from page 138) necessary for such a large tube. The 20 in. diameter tube, which is approximately 32 in. long, is mounted on a framework within the cabinet and so arranged that the tube and frame may be tilted about a front pivot point and the tube lowered into a vertical position when the cabinet is closed and not in use.

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SHF POWER

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bridge measuring circuit can be used. Reflections can be eliminated by mounting an open or closed end stub of variable length near the Thermister. This is illustrated in Figs. 5 and 6. These illustrations also indicate the method of eliminating harmonics from the measured power by placing a variable stub in the line. Its length is made equal to a half wavelength of the harmonic to be suppressed, and since it is shorted at the end its input impedance at the frequency in question is zero, and it effectively short circuits it.

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MARINE VOICE CODE

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resistor. The plate circuit is coupled to the 500 kc and 8.28 mc tank circuits through a condenser. The two tank circuits, L-105, C-115 and L-106, C-116 function independently without switching, an unusual feature. On 500 kc the antenna circuit is resonated by means of L-107 (tapped) while the antenna coupling voltage is obtained from taps on L-105. When knob A is rotated it engages a star wheel which changes the taps on L-107 and L-105. This action takes place when the variometer rotor of L-107 is adjusted. All taps are preset. On 8.28 mc coupling is obtained from C-118. Antenna resonance is maintained by panel controlled capacitor C-116.

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The receiver has four tubes in the rf, if and af circuits, and a voltage regulator tube. For 500 kc. V-105 and 106 function as rf amplifiers. For 8.28 mc V-105 operates as a pentagrid converter to deliver an if of 500 kc. Under these conditions the oscillator section of V-105 is tunable to permit reception from 8.1 to 8.6 mc. V-107 functions as a detector and first audio and provides avc. V-108 is the output tube, and a voltage regulator tube maintains 105 volts. The volume control is connected in the cathode circuits of V-105 and 106.

The send-receive relay, K-101 is de-energized in the transmit position to permit the set to function as an automatic sender anyway in case of relay failure. In connection with the 500 kc variometer, one section of the stator with C-145 form a high impedance trap for 8.28 mc to prevent shunting to ground by L-107.

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MERCURY ARC

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The single-phase transformer can be designed to provide any output voltage desired for the induction heating coil circuit; it is simply a matter of designing for the proper ratio of turns between the primary windings and the secondary winding of the transformer. If for safety reasons for operating personnel, it is desired to keep the induction heating coil voltage at not over about 250 volts between either terminal and ground, the output secondary winding could be designed to provide a maximum of about 500 volts and could be built with a center-tap for grounding.

Power transmission

If high frequency power is to be transmitted for a long distance through a plant, it would be more economical to design the singlephase transformer to supply a potential of about 2,300 volts to a coaxial transmission line or cable, and to provide a high frequency step-down transformer at the end of the line for the coil circuit. By transmitting high frequency power at a high voltage and low current, the losses in a coaxial line can be kept at a minimum.

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The advantages and disadvantages of the depth of penetration of induced heating currents and the problems of the design of induction heating coils or furnaces for melting, forging, and other applications are beyond the scope of this article. Excellent data have been published on these subjects.

The efficiency of induction heating coils in transferring electrical energy into heat energy in the charge depends to a large extent on the insulation thickness requirements, size of charge, and type of metal being heated. In heating steel, coil efficiencies as high as 80 per cent sometimes can be attained, which, multiplied by a converter efficiency of better than 90 per cent, result in an overall efficiency of the order of 70 per cent.

Typical uses

In heating better conductors such as aluminum and copper, lower efficiencies result, but this is offset by the fact that the working or melting temperatures of these metals are lower than that of steel. Induction heating is being used extensively for alloy steel melting where carbon content must be controlled accurately, and it is anticipated that it will be used to a very great extent for forging, and for heating of limited areas of bars, tubes, and other fabricated parts in order to perform upsetting, bending or forming operations.

Bigger Bell Labs

A substantial increase in the Bell System's laboratories will be made as soon as war restrictions permit.

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the power for which it is rated. A smaller factor of safety than 50 has proven to be unsatisfactory. This large factor is required because several causes of failure occur simultaneously and their effects are cumulative. Among these factors are over-modulation or switching surges in the transmitter, mismatch

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of the impedance of the transmission line, and lightning striking the antenna.

Power loss

The power loss in air insulated cables is substantially lower than in solid dielectric cables of similar diameter. Power loss information is usually available from the manufacturer of the cable, and is provided with considerable accuracy.

The most difficult step in these calculations is putting the proper value in dollars on the power lost. The recommended method is to assume that each watt lost is worth \$10 to the station. This figure is based on the fact that the cost of a radio transmitter, plus power to operate it over its normal life, plus tube and component replacements during its life totals about \$10 per watt. This figure is approximately true regardless of the power and frequency of the transmitter.

The next step is to assume that if large changes in power of the station cost \$10 per watt, then small changes in power are also worth a proportional amount.

Table 2 shows a typical calculation for a radio transmitter operating with an antenna power of 1000 watts, on a frequency of 1 megacycle, and using a 200-foot transmission line. Type 83 cable is included in this calculation to show its cost data, although actually it is too small to use for 1000 watts power with safety. In the example used, it is seen that the lowest total cost is obtained with type 737 cable, so this cable should be chosen for this application.

A series of calculations such as that in the preceding example were made for different powers and frequencies. The optimum cable type for any power and frequency is presented in Fig. 3. These results as based on the same cost data used in the example, and on a line length of 200 ft.

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incorporates a squelch circuit to block the set when the signal falls below this value. The limiter saturates at 0.3 μ v. The set uses several miniature type 6AK5 pentodes as shown in the block diagram. The transmitter generates a crystal-controlled carrier frequency which is first phase modulated, then becomes equivalent FM. A frequency deviation of approximately 30 kc is used. A particularly noticeable feature of the demon-(Continued on page 162)

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stration, associated as is well known with FM, was the complete absence of audible static or other noise.

Radiotype equipment

Radiotype equipment of the International Business Machines Corp. also was demonstrated to the police communications officers. The radiotype equipment uses a standard electromatic typewriter applied to communications apparatus. In full automatic operation, copy is typed on a sending typewriter which perforates a tape. This tape is "read" by an automatic transmitting head which keys the electronic com-munications unit sending out a tone signal. This tone signal is sent over a radio circuit, in this case using the standard 35.46 mc police frequency, and at the receiving end the tone is fed into an electronic unit which selects the proper keys on the receiving typewriter which prints the message.

This unit operates at 100 words per minute. A GE wire recorder was used in one stage of the demonstration to record the keying signals as heard over a loudspeaker. These signals were later repeated into a microphone by the wire recorder and fed back in to the radiotype system to operate the receiving typewriter.

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VHF NETWORK

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network to the television audience in the Philadelphia area. Appearing on this inaugural telecast from Washington, were the Honorable Paul A. Porter, Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, Doctor Karl T. Compton, President of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Chairman of the Research Board for National Security and John Ballantyne, President of Philco Corporation. FCC Chairman Paul A. Porter speaking on this telecast said:

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Fig. 2. Relative amplitude of fundamental as function of distance from modulating grids

J indicates a Bessel function. Numerical results obtained for the fundamental wave are illustrated in Fig. 2, for an accelerating voltage $E_{\circ} = 1,600$ volts, a wavelength $\lambda = 20$ cm, and a modulation index a of 0.1.

The expression for the ratio i_p/I_o , or for the efficiency of the pth harmonic, reduces to

$$\frac{i_p}{I_o} = J_p \left\{ p \frac{\alpha \, \omega \, s}{2 v \, (to)} \right\}$$
(8)

if the current density is so small that the space charge effect can be neglected; compare equation (5).

Computations concerning the maximum possible efficiency lead to the following relations for the maximum efficiency of the pth harmonic i_{pm}/I_o , the distance of the locus of maximum efficiency from the grid s_m , and the electron traveling time to that locus t_{1m} , respectively:

$$\frac{i_{pm}}{I_{o}} = J_{p} 3.54p \frac{dE^{\frac{1}{4}}}{I_{o}^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$s_{m} = 6.1 \times 10^{-3} E_{o}^{\frac{3}{2}}/I_{o}^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$t_{1m} = \sqrt{2v(t_{0})/0},$$
(9)



Fig. 3. Maximum efficiency of fundamental wave; modulating index is 0.1

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Fig. 3 shows diagrams of the maximum efficiency of the fundamental wave as a function of $I_o/E_o^{\frac{1}{2}}$ for different wavelengths; the grid current intensity is in mA/cm² and the accelerating voltage in kV. The modulating index is 0.1. Fig. 4 gives the distance s_m of maximum current density variations from the grid as a function of the grid current I_o with the accelerating voltage E_o as parameter.

In practice the conditions are expected to be more favorable than indicated by the formulae, the neglected phenomena tending to improve the results.

Fig. 4. Distance from grid at which maximum current density variations occur



Intermittent Behavior in Oscillators

W. A. Edson (Bell System Technical Journal, January, 1945).

A method is developed of applying known feedback theory to analytically and experimentally investigate the tendency of a feedback oscillator to self-modulation or intermittent oscillations. The oscillator circuits studied consist essentially of an amplifier, a limiter and a filter. Circuit modifications promoting stability are determined. The intentional generation of a modulated wave by control of the low frequency behavior of the oscillator is also considered.

The method is illustrated by analyzing several circuits such as oscillators with separate automatic output control, involving a rectifier, a lamp circuit or varistors, and Hartley oscillators where the amplifier tube also serves as limiter.

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Theory of the Multivibrator

H. W. Webb and G. E. Becker (Journal of Applied Physics, December, 1944).

A graphical method has been developed to evaluate the period and the currents in a symmetrical multivibrator. The theory is checked against experimentally obtained values and found to be in good agreement.



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1 channel and the remainder of the spectrum from 3000 to 12,000 cycles for the other three channels.

The radio circuit can be satisfactorily operated over distances varying from a few miles to more than 50 miles depending upon the nature of the intervening terrain, the antenna heights and the noise level at the receiving location. The antenna has a gain of approximately 6 db with the reflector and director elements attached. If it is used as a two element array it has a gain of 2 db over the dipole alone.

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The system of phase modulation used is of interest. It consists in coupling the output of the oscillator amplifier to the grid of a 6SL7GT. The plate circuit of this tube is untuned, but it is terminated in a high impedance rf choke. One triode section of this tube acts as a phase modulator. Radio frequency voltage is fed from grid to plate

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The booklet is being mailed to consumers in response to inquiries stimulated by questionnaire-type advertisements appearing in national magazines. Through these advertisements Sylvania Electric is continuing its study of public preferences in radio sets. Public distribution of the booklet is expected to be helpful in maintaining the popular interest in post-war radio sets which has been created by Sylvania's advertising.

VALUE TO INDUSTRY

In addition, "They Know What They Want" is being widely circulated among the electronic equipment manufacturing industry. Providing a convenient digest of the public's desires, the booklet should prove helpful to set manufacturers in planning post-war designs that will appeal to buyers' tastes.

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This condition permits plate current to flow, energizing the relay and permitting the receiver to function. If there is only a weak signal, or no signal at all, insufficient rectified negative grid voltage

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ELECTRICAL:		
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is generated in the first limiter grid to cause the plate current cut off mentioned above. Flow of plate current then causes the plate voltage of V115 (6SL7GT) to drop much nearer to ground making the grid of V113 (6SN7GT) negative with respect to its cathode, effectively cutting it off, deenergizing the relay, and making the set in-operative. This squelch point is ad-justable. The other pair of contacts in the relay are used to turn the transmitter on or off automatically. (HGS)

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Deviation ratio

A deviation ratio of one is being considered in connection with this system. That is to say, the ratio of maximum frequency deviation to the maximum signal frequency to be transmitted would be one instead of the more usual FM broadcast ratio of five. The necessity for this is apparent when it is considered that at relay points signals as received will be heterodyned to a lower frequency for amplification and then again brought up to the transmission frequency. With the wide band of almost 15 mc already required for picture transmission, a deviation ratio of 5 would result in a channel which would be too large

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a proportion of the amplification frequency to permit easy handling. Large deviation ratios, of course, have a noise suppressing effect, but even a ratio of unity produces better results in this respect than AM as is shown in Figs. 3 and 4 (2).

Signal/noise ratio

Based on a brightness range of 20 to 1 in the picture to be transmitted and other considerations, a signal to noise ratio of about 50 db seems desirable. Assuming that equipment noise power in the input of each repeater is 20 x 10⁻²⁰ x (bandwidth) watts, cascading of the repeaters multiplies this noise power by the number in cascade, and application of the 50 db ratio mentioned above permits a calculation of signal reception power required at each repeater, as shown in Table 1.(1) If the transmitted to received power ratio using short. capacitance loaded dipole antennas is 70 L^2 , where L is the distance between repeaters expressed in wavelengths, repeater power requirements are quickly obtained.

 Table I

 2,000-Megacycle Television Radio-Relay

 System

Repeater Spacing in Miles	Repeater Gain in Decibels	Repeater Power in Watts	Antenna Height in Feet		
10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60 65 70 75	53 56.6 59.2 61 62.6 64 65 66.2 67.9 68.6 69.4 70 70.6	2.41 3.62 4.825 6.03 7.25 8.45 9.65 10.9 12.1 13.3 14.5 15.7 16.9 18.1	59.8 87.1 119.4 157.1 200.9 306.6 368.8 437.5 513.8 595.2 681.8 778.3 877.5		

Antenna gain

Besides, by the use of highly directional parabolic reflectors, an important additional ratio gain can be obtained. For the condition where the radiating dipole is placed in the plane of the mouth of the paraboloid (the ideal condition as it prevents the reflecting surface from receiving out of phase radiations from the front of the dipole and at the same time collects all the rearward radiation) the gain (3)

can be expressed by $\left(\frac{\pi D}{2\lambda}\right)^2$ where

D is the mouth diameter and λ the wave length. This gain is effective at both the transmission and reception points. If the radiating dipole's forward radiation is concentrated back on the reflector by means of a hemispherical shield instead of being allowed to scatter, (Continued on page 190)

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the above gain is doubled. Whether these large gains can be entirely realized in practice will be determined by further experimental evidence

Production of high frequency oscillations of sufficient power for the repeater requirements mentioned has been developed to a considerable extent during the war. Pulses of thousands of kw are in common use in radar equipment, but of course the duty cycle involved is a small proportion of any time period, and as with all electrical equipment, the average power output of a magnetron, Klystron or lighthouse tube used to generate this power is limited by its ability to dissipate heat.

Modulation problems

Modulation problems existing as they do similarly at lower frequencies are conveniently soluble by Of course established technics. wave guides must be used extensively when several thousand megacycles are involved. Power measurements can be made by means of power absorbing thermisters, and the power level can be suitably controlled by linear attenuators made of dielectrics coated with resistive materials and mechanically movable into the denser field regions inside the wave guides. Radiation at high efficiency is available by means of horns at frequencies beyond those for which parabolic reflectors with dipoles are suitable.

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what similar schemes can be used in the radio relay systems with suitable modifications for operation by means of FM.

Thus the apparatus problems in the shf region do not seem to present any insuperable difficulties although they do involve a number of war developed technics not generally known to the public.

*See description of Army radio relay set in this issue.
 Radio relay systems—C. W. Hansell, proc. I.R.E., March, 1945.
 Frequency modulation noise characteristics —Murray G. Crosby, proc. I.R.E., April, 1937

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- Reflecteurs et lignes de transmission pour ondes ultra courtes—Renée Darbord-L'Onde Electrique, Vol. 11, 1932. 3.

NEW PATENTS

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a continuation of the non-conducting shield 64, their rims abutting against one another. If the surface 2 is of metal it acts as an extension of the cone shaped antenna element 60 and has the effect of lowering the frequency band over which the antenna operates.

A. G. Kandolan, Federal Telephone and Radio Corp., (F) May 15, 1943, (I) Febru-ary 6, 1945, No. 2,368,663.

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E. Mueller, Alien Property Custodian, (F) October 10, 1941, (I) January 30, 1945, No. 2,368,318.

Discriminator

A pair of opposed rectifiers 1,2 is fed by a discriminator which consists of a resonant circuit path 8,9 for feeding both rectifiers in parallel with retarded signal energy, and additional paths 5,6 for feeding the rectifiers with unretarded signal energy of opposite polarity. The amount of retardation is a function of frequency.



The series resonant circuit 8,9 is tuned to the mean frequency of the applied signal, At the mean frequency, the phase of the voltage $E_{s,\theta}$, which is fed to both rectifiers through the series resonant path 8,9, will not be changed by its passage through series resonant circuit 8,9. The voltages taken off the ends of coil 3 will be of opposite polarity and they will be shifted in phase by 90 deg. by capacitors 5 and 6, respectively. (See left-hand vector diagram.) The resultant voltages E_1 and E_2 applied to diodes 1 and 2 will be of equal amplitude, as shown in the diagram. Zero output voltage will be obtained across resistors 12 and 13. The phase of the voltages E5, E6 will not be changed for off-tune frequencies, however, the circuit 8,9 shifts the phase of the signal voltage to an in-creasing degree for frequencies departing from the mean frequency. Consequently, the conditions as illustrated by the right-hand vector diagram prevail, and, the two voltages E_1 , E_2 across the diodes 1,2 being of different magnitude, an output depending on the instantaneous frequency deviation of the input will be obtained.



In another embodiment of the invention, indicated by the dotted line circuit elements, the series resonant circuit is replaced by a parallel resonant circuit 8', 9' which acts as an infinite impedance at the mean frequency. At off-tune frequencies, the parallel resonant circuit will act as an inductance or capacitance of decreasing impedance as the frequency deviation increases; the vector E_8' , $_9'$, will vary in amplitude and will be in aiding phase with either of vectors E5 or E6. The correspondvector ing diagram indicates that a similar amplitude-frequency conversion as

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and carries the product number "912," has been released by American Phenolic Corp., Chicago 50, Ill. Containing full data together with information on this liquid's dielectric constant, power and loss factor, the bulletin explains the uses and electronic characteristics of both Polyweld and Acryweld, product number "901," which is similar to the former but for different applications.

Terminal Blocks

A new booklet available describing ten styles of controlled terminal blocks, originally developed for central station and sub station cable connections, and now widely used as junction point in any control wiring installation complete with styles, cross section views, dimensions and prices, has been issued by Burke Electric Co., Erie, Pa.

Replacement Capacitors

The new catalog No. 195 just issued by Cornell-Dubilier Electric Corp., South Plainfield, N. J., contains complete data on capacities, sizes and prices of electrolytic capacitors-can-types and cardboard tube types, paper capacitors, wax impregnated and Dykanol tubular capacitors, drawn metal shell units, replacement paper units, photo-flash units, auto radio units and transmitting paper types, and various types of mica capacitors. Capacitor test instruments filters also are included.

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(Continued from page 199) in the previously discussed embodiment will result.

M. G. Crosby, RCA, (F) April 29, 1943, (I) November 28, 1944, No. 2.363,652.

Parallel Amplifiers

Frequently instability occurs if two nega-tive feedback amplifiers are connected in parallel during a short switching operation when one is to be replaced by the other. It is proposed to prevent unstability by separating the resonant frequencies of the transformers connecting the two amplifiers to the input and output lines. One way in which this may be done is to connect the second amplifier at each end through an impedance network which slightly modifies the impedance presented to the transformer of the first amplifier so that it resonates at a different frequency. The network may consist of a single inductance connected in series with the conductor corresponding to the central conductor of the co-axial cable. In a balanced system, two equal inductances would be used, one connected in series with each wire. In a practical case of amplifiers used in a co-axial cable system, the inused in a co-axial cable system, the in-ductance connected in series with the cen-tral conductor was about 4½ microhenries. A. H. Roche and T. W. Elliott, Standard Telephones and Cables Ltd., (F) Nov. 29, 1943, (I) Dec. 5, 1944, No. 2,364,389.



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matters. Enlarged quarters have been acquired through lease of an additional building; headquarters remain at 1115 South Hope street.

Timothy E. Shea, formerly chief engineer of the Electrical Research Products Division of Western Electric Co., has returned to Western following four years' service as director of research for Columbia University Division of War Research, which operates under the National Defense Research Committee. Mr. Shea has been appointed superintendent in charge of manufacturing engineering at the company's vacuum tube shop in New York.

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Sees War Cutback to 50%

More than two-thirds of the capacitor industry's pre-war production was used in the assembly



of radio receiving and transmitting apparatus, but a substantially enlarged post-war output, according to Paul Hetenyi, Solar's newly - elected engineer president, should find this ratio re-

Paul Hetenyi

duced to approximately 50 per cent with the remainder going into such divergent lines, among others, as automotive equipment, household appliances, electric razors, business machines, safety devices, hearing aids and telephone and telegraph equipment.

"Production for war has taken the capacitor and filter trade into many new fields," Mr. Hetenyi said, "and engineering developments in our own line have kept pace with those in the growing number of consuming industries. Particularly so is this the case in FM radio and television, with their extensive capacitor and filter requirements, the increasingly important field of electronic controls and, among others, the refrigeration, air conditioning and fluorescent lighting trades."

In Mr. Hetenyi's opinion, the physical volume of initial postwar production should be substantially greater than pre-war totals, due primarily to the huge pent-up demand for the large number of civilian products. Dollar volume, on the other hand, was seen as somewhat lower than war-time peaks, because industrial specifications are less rigid than those of the armed services, which have been taking the bulk of present output. One of the first type-

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This meeting coincides with a meeting of the New York section of the Institute of Radio Engineers, who are planning a program on Wednesday evening, June 15 on the problems involved with projection television receiver design, at which aspects of each of the presentlyplanned methods will be discussed by representatives of each system. In all probability, this meeting will also be held at the Commodore Hotel where demonstrations of the various television projection methods may be given.

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