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FRONT COVER: An artistic presentation that combines the control console of one of our larger digital computer installations against a related mathematical background. In this issue we focus editorial attention on engineering for the expanding computer fields. Editorial features oppear on pages 32, 36, 38, 40, 44 and 46. Also note especially the 1957 Directory of Computer Equipment Manufacturers appearing on page 77.

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RADARSCOPE

Revealing important developments and trends throughout the spectrum for radio, TV and electronic research, manufacturing and operation

RUSSIAN TECHNICAL JOURNALS are putting a heavy emphasis on abstracts of U. S. articles. The U. S. Central Intelligence Agency reports that in some instances abstracts of the articles are appearing in Russian abstract journals before appearing in American abstract journals. The abstracting service has become a state matter, accomplished primarily by ministerial offices and the USSR Academy of Sciences. Twelve series of technical abstract journals will be published this year, the total volume to compare in size with 35 volumes of the Encyclopedia Brittanica

PAY-TV will get an unofficial trial run under a plan arranged between Jerrold Electronics and a Bartlesville, Okla., theatre chain. First run films originating in the booths of local motion picture theaters will be transmitted over closed-circuit TV lines to homes of subscribers who will pay a monthly subscription charge.

THE TRAGIC CRASH of a light plane into WOR-TV's abandoned TV tower in N. J. will add fuel for aviation interests' fight against high towers.



EARLY WARNING RADAR

Bulging plastic radome on this Navy Sikorsky helicopter houses the antenna for an extremely high-powered GE search radar that detects low-flying planes more than twice as far as shipboard equipment.



FOREIGN ELECTRONIC RESEARCH FIRMS are making attractive and persistent bids for American R & D business. In the latest move, thirteen toprank French research firms and various Swiss and German companies have set up a new firm, the Franco-American Research Corp., 30 Whitehall St., New York City, to represent their interests in the U. S. Spokesmen for the organization point out that Europe is top heavy with good scientific theorists, and that the cost of engineering work done abroad is lower, as a rule, than that done in the U. S.

IN THE FUTURE all the expenses incurred in an unsuccessful bid for a TV channel will be tax deductible items. A new Revenue Service ruling permits all expenses attached to the application, such as legal, accounting and engineering fees, and travel expenditures of witnesses, to be deducted. If the station is awarded a license, however, the expenses must be capitalized as part of the value of the property and may not depreciate it—on the ground that such a license has an indefinite life which cannot be measured in advance for depreciation purposes.

AUTOMOBILE RADIO of the future will probably double as the family portable. Competely transistorized units will plug into a power supply socket and receiver holding clip assembly in the glove compartment.

FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS

TELEVISION ALLOCATIONS STUDY. The FCC has agreed with the industry group of telecasters and manufacturers known as the TV Allocation Study Organization (TASO) that the television allocations research program should be confined to the development of technical facts about frequencies and propagation in the VHF and UHF bands and not as originally proposed by the government officials that it go into the economics of TV and equipment research. The concept of allocations studies based on technical facts, including both VHF and UHF transmitters and receivers as to frequency propagation and requirements, won the approval of the FCC leadership after a conference by an industry TASO subcommittee. TASO, meanwhile, has been making an intensive search for an executive director of the allocations study program and has been seeking a leading radio engineer with a comprehensive knowledge of frequency matters.



UNDER CONSIDERATION by the FCC is a proposal from the Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics for a new VHF radio channel to be used exclusively by private flyers. The recommendation calls for a channel between 125 and 130 MC.

ENGINEERING PAY

ENGINEERS' INCOME is up 8.6% over last year, according to the American Management Association's Executive Compensation Service. The increase is almost twice that recorded for the previous 12month period and is higher than that shown for any other executive or specialized group.

Engineers with less than one year of experience are now earning a median salary of \$5,300 a year. The next higher category of engineers, with one to three years experience, has a median salary of \$6,500 a year.

The highest salaries—in a few cases, up to \$19,000 —are paid to certain non-management specialists in research and exploration with some administrative duties. Physicists and mathematicians follow close behind, with average salaries up to \$15,000 a year.

PRINTED CIRCUITS

At the recent Formica Printed Circuit Forum held in Cincinnati several elements of future interest were revealed. First, it is now apparent that printed circuits have become the accepted mode of circuit wiring by the electronic industries. In the past year great inroads into printed wiring for commercial electronic equipment and military electronic equipment have been made. In the next year for example a 10 fold increase in the use of printed circuits for business machines and computers is anticipated. The use of printed circuits for the wiring of electronic test instruments is also a fast developing market. One manufacturer was reported as using six square feet of copper clad laminate printed circuits for one instrument. Labor savings by conversion to printed circuits run as high as 60% according to this manufacturer.

Printed circuits are now being developed for application in the power field also. A $\frac{1}{2}$ -in, wide copper

On page 53 of this issue ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES presents a complete, up-to-date listing of the technical specifications for the 317 transistors now commercially marketed. Next month, look for the 1957 SEMICONDUCTOR DIODE SPECIFICATIONS strip on a glass base laminate carries 100 amperes of current without ill effects.

The automotive industry is looking toward printed circuitry as a means of resolving circuit interconnection problems under the dash board.

Automation in printed circuit manufacture appears to be on the horizon too. Dry Screen Process Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa. demonstrated their new machine which can produce 18x18 in. printed circuits at the rate of 600 per hour. Soon to be introduced will be an automatic etching unit capable of producing finished etchings at the same rate in the same size.

MOBILE RADAR



New "Paraballoon" radar antenna, developed by Westinghouse, consists of two inflated parabaloids, one coated with vaporized aluminum to form the reflector. Unit is designed to be air-dropped, and easily erected. Antenna dismantled is shown in inset with radar team.

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seat interceptor planes. It may be fired singly or in salvos and requires no complex launching equipment; it is fully maneuverable at supersonic speeds and has a high single-shot "kill" reliability.

Sidewinder may be launched well beyond reach of an enemy aircraft's defense. Its course can be changed to account for tactical movements of an enemy target.

Missile, Atomic Gun Unveiled by the Army

Some wraps have been taken off the Army's Redstone ballistic missile, and a new 175-mm. gun, a substitute for the cumbersome 280-mm. atomic cannon, has been announced.

At Aberdeen Proving Ground. Md., the Army said the missile travels at supersonic speed and can be fitted with an atomic warhead. The 175-mm. gun has a bore of 7 in., compared to 11 in. of the atomic cannon, and weighs 37 tons against 87. Gun was developed by Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, and the Watertown, Mass.. and Watervliet, N. Y., arsenals.

NEW TV ANTENNA



New high-powered VHF helical TV broadcast antenna developed by General Electric. Three-bay antenna features simplified design; it weighs 7,700 lbs, measures 80 ft. in length.

Westinghouse Unveils Mobile Radar Antenna

Developed to detect high-flying aircraft and strengthen American and allied defense networks, the Paraballoon antenna has been announced by Westinghouse Electric Corp. for the U. S. Air Force. This lightweight, mobile radar set has long range and may be quickly erected and dismantled.

Radar antenna has two paraboloids, one coated on the inside with vaporized aluminum to form the radar reflector, which are joined at their rims and inflated. This Paraballoon antenna radar and its electronic equipment are protected by an air-supported radome, which is lightweight, sectionalized and designed to erect directly on the ground.

No special fixtures are required for checking the reflector surface contour when inflated antenna is erected. When packed in its special cases, entire radar set may be air-dropped.

Electro-Standards Unit Enlarges Testing Scope

Expanding its Qualification-Testing Program, the Armed Services Electro-Standards Agency (ASESA), Fort Monmouth, N. J., recently inaugurated an extensive program providing for qualification testing of electronic and electric parts in commercial testing labs and in the plants of parts manufacturers.

Equipment manufacturers, commercial testing labs and parts manufacturers are encouraged to obtain additional information from the Director, ASESA, Fort Monmouth.



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As We Go To Press . . . Radio Fall Meeting Award to Podolsky

Cited for his excellent work in the electronic field, Leon Podolsky, Tech. Asst. to the President of Sprague Electric Co., North Ad-



Medal awarded at 1957 Radio Fall Meeting

ams, Mass., was given the gold plaque award at the recent 28th Fall Meeting of RETMA and IRE held in Syracuse. Recognition was for work in standardization in field of components.

Sylvania Shuts Plant

A leveling off of the market for black-and-white TV sets was given as the reason for the recent closing of Sylvania Electric Products' TV picture tube plant at Hatboro, Pa., near Philadelphia. Plant employed 450 and is one of four Sylvania units making picture tubes.

TELESCOPIC TRACKER



New tracker designed by Army Signal Corps Eng'g Labs has 400-lb lens of 160-in. focal length. tracks and photographs missiles, rockets, and jets up to 300 miles away.

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ELECTRONIC SHORTS

Use of new microwave radar link, equipped with high-quality repeaters, enabled Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co. recently to transmit radar info. from London Airport to Plan Position Indicator (P.P.I.) 20 miles away at Farnborough. Link used traveling-wave tubes and was capable of relaying radar pictures over 3 or 4 separate channels. Without link, radar center has to be near associated scanning equipment.

Raytheon and General Precision Lab demonstrated to U. S. Air Force officials a combination of Raytheon's CPS-9 storm detector radar GPL TVS cameras and Raytheon TV microwave relays that can bring a 200,000 sq. mi. weather picture directly to AF operations centers. System provides prevailing visual weather info. from a central source to specific locations.

Columbia University, New York, held Joint Program for Technical Education recently to plan search for high school students capable of filling U. S. need for scientists and engineers; it was first of a conference series . . . And a special program to train more students in the physical sciences is under way at Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, using evening courses, science workshops, and films to teach mathematical concepts.

Admiral Corp., Chicago, trained over 3,000 distributor and dealer servicemen for color TV installation during first 10 months of 1956.

TV Allocations Study Organization (TASO) launched by NARTB to conduct research in technical aspects of UHF and VHF broadcasting.

U. S. Air Force awarded contract to RCA and Honeywell's Aero Div. for design and development of complete and integrated electronic weapons system for the CF-105 jet combat plane of Royal Canadian Air Force. Project includes development of automatic flight controls and a complete electronic fire control radar system.

TV Bureau of Advtg. plans TV info. center—called Televic—using electronic "brain" to provide instant access to latest facts and figures on TV advertising for agencies and advertisers. Info. will be stored continuously in machine's memory.

KRON-TV, San Francisco, announced two machines that can operate any TV station automatically—the Automatic Broadcast Program System and the Automatic Sequential Program Switcher. First unit handles all switching procedures up to a full day; the other, for pre-determined periods up to 99 seconds. Both can be pre-set.

Predicted for 1966: Rocket-powered bombers capable of traveling more than five times the speed of sound, and nuclear-powered aircraft with unlimited range within the world's atmosphere, according to F. C. Ruling, Mgr., General Electric's Aviation & Defense Industries Sales Dept.

Kellogg Credit Corp., New York, an IT&T subsidiary, will expand its operations to include financial assistance to customers of all divisions and subsidiaries of IT&T.

At least 30, and perhaps 100, artificial moons will be launched before the first manned rockets voyage into space, say space physicists, who expect that satellites "in ever increasing sizes" will soon be commonplace.

Short SHORTS: Cornell-Dubilier, So. Plainfield, N. J., acquired majority stock interest in Tobe Deutschmann Corp., Norwood, Mass... McDonnell Aircraft Corp., St. Louis, got \$58,000,000 order from Navy for F3H-2N Demon supersonic all-weather fighters ... Sperry Gyroscope, Great Neck, N. Y., given initial \$2,293,000 U. S. Air Force contract for development of electronic guidance system for advanced drone aircraft ... NBS Very Low Frequency Propagation Symposium set for Jan. 23-25, 1957, at Boulder, Colo. ... Airborne Instruments Lab, Inc., Mineola, N. Y., acquired Mountain Systems, Inc., Thornwood, N. Y., makers of special-purpose business data equipment ... Sparks-Withington, Jackson, Mich., got stockholder approval to change name to Sparton Corp. ... Ultrasonic Corp., Cambridge, Mass., acquired Weathers Industries, Barrington, N. J., makers of hi-fi sound equipment ... AMP, Inc., is new name of Aircraft-Marine Products, Inc., Harrisburg, Pa.



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Electronic Fuel Injection By Bendix

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The timed, self-priming system, called the Electrojector by Bendix engineers of the Eclipse Machine Div., is now ready to be adapted to engines of any car manufacturer.

The system, described as quiet and clean by Bendix engineers, consists of an electronic modulator -"brain box" of the unit-a fuelinjection distributing commutator, fuel-injection breaker points, and



Bendix officials show details of "Electrojector" all-electronic fuel injection system

fuel-injection nozzles especially designed to minimize dirt problems. It is the first system to be developed that does not require a special drive off the engine.

The timing, sensing, and actuating elements-which will automatically control fuel flow to the engine under all operating conditions — feature an electronic pressure sensor, located on the throttle body. Also on the body is an electronic switch to sense and signal the need for proper fuel mixture, either for acceleration or idling. A third feature on the throttle body is an automatic cutoff switch that will cut down the smog problem created by exhaust gases.

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Coming Events

A listing of meetings, conferences, shows, etc., occurring during the period December into 1957, that are of special interest to electronic engineers

- Dec. 5-7: 2nd IRE Instrumentation Conf. & Exhibit, PGI, Atlanta Section; at the Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta.
- Dec. 10-12: Eastern Joint Computer Conference, sponsored by the PGEC, AIEE and the ACM; at the Hotel New Yorker, New York.
- Jan. 14-15, 1957: Symp. on Reliability & Quality Control in Elec., sponsored by the PGRQC, ASQC and RETMA; at the Statler Hotel, Washington.
- Jan. 23-25, 1957: Very-Low Frequency Symposium, sponsored by Denver-Boulder chapter of PGAP and the Boulder Lab., Nat'l Bureau of Standards; at the NBS Boulder Labs., Boulder.
- Jan. 28-31, 1957: Plant Maintenance & Engrg. Show and Plaint Maint. & Engrg. Conference; at Public Auditorium, Cleveland.
- Jan. 30, 1957: Electronics n Aviation Day, sponsored by the PGANE, IAS and RTCA; at New York
- Feb. 7, 1957: Operations Research Symposium, sponsored by PG on Eng'g Management-Phila. Section, IRE, and SIAM; at Univ. Museum, Univ. of Pa., Philadelphia.
- Feb. 14-15, 1957: Transistor & Solid State Circuits Conf., sponsored by IRE, AIEE and Univ. of Pa.; at Univ. of Pa., Philadelphia.
- Feb. 26-28, 1957: Western Joint Computer Conf., sponsored by IRE. AIEE and ACM; at Statler Hotel. Los Angeles.
- March 11-15, 1957: The 1957 Nuclear **Congress**, incl. International Atomic Exposition; sponsored by AICE and four other engineering societies-AIMMPE, ASME, ASCE and AIEE; 2nd Nuclear Engrg. & Science Congress, sponsored by Engineers Joint Council; 5th Atomic Energy in Industry Conf., sponsored by NICB: and Hot Labs Committee's 5th Hot Labs & Equipment Conf.; all events in Convention Hall, Philadelphia.

March 18-21, IRE National Convention, sponsored by all P.G.'s; at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York.

- April 7-11, 1957: Annual Convention of NARTB; at Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago.
- April 7-11, 1957: Broadcasting Eng'g Conference and 35th Annual NARTB Convention; at Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago.
- April 14-27, 1957: U. S. World Trade Fair; at the Coliseum, New York.
- May 20-24, 1957: Design Engineering Show; at the Coliseum, New York.
- June 16-21, 1957: 60th Annual Meeting, American Society for Testing Metals; in Atlantic City.
- Oct. 7-9, 1957: National Electronics Conference; in Chicago.
- Oct. 28-29, 1957: 4th Annual East Coast Conference on Aeronautical and Navigational Electronics, sponsored by IRE Baltimore Section and PG on Aeronautical and Navigational Electronics; in Baltimore.
- Oct. 28-30, 1957: Radio Fall Meeting, sponsored jointly by IRE PG groups and RETMA; at King Edward Hotel, Toronto.
- Nov., 1957: New England Radio Engineering Meeting, sponsored by Region 1, IRE; in Boston.
- Dec., 1957: Eastern Joint Computer Conference, sponsored by IRE-PGEC, ACM and AIEE; in Washington.

Abbreviations:

AICE: American Inst. of Chemical Engrs. AIEE: American Inst. of Electrical Engrs. AIMMPE: American Inst. of Mining, Metal-lurgical & Petroleum Engineers ASCE: American Society of Civil Engineers ASME: American Society for Testing Materials IAS: Inst. of Aeronautical Sciences IRE: Institute of Radio Engineers ISA: Instrument Society of America NARTB: National Assn. of Radio & TV Broadcasters NARTE: National Assn. of Radio & IV Broadcasters NICB: National Industrial Conference Board RETMA: Radio-Electronic-TV Mfrs. Assn. ACM: Assn. for Computing Machinery SIAM: Society of Industrial and Applied

Mathematics

system is the transistor-equipped electronic modulator. It receives a timed signal from the distributorbreaker. It coordinates this signal with information from the devices that electronically sense engine operating conditions and continuously sends the correct action signal to injectors located at each cylinder intake port.

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March 16, 1956

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ELECTRONIC FATHERS ... In the years to come Dr. William Shockley, recipient of this year's Nobel prize, will undoubtedly come to be known as the father of the transistor just as today Dr. Lee de Forest is known as the father of the three-element vacuum tube. Interestingly enough, 1956 is the 50th anniversary of the audion, and two booklets in commemoration of this event have now been published.

TV IN AUTOMOBILES might be practical at that. A closed circuit system using infra-red sensitive camera tubes could provide a means for night driving. Cars would no longer be bothersome because of glaring headlights.

RADIO-TV service shop in Cincinnati is displaying an interesting new sign in its window. "We repair 'Do it Yourself' work."

PRINTED CIRCUIT developments over recent years have made some startling cost reductions possible. In today's 21-in. TV's circuit costs are about 1/5 that in 1950.

TUBE CHECKERS for the public are now making their appearance. "U-Test-M," a Milwaukee, Wis. manufacturer, provides an emission type tester using 118 tube sockets and a go no-go type meter. You can find such checkers standing alongside the stamp vending machines in drug stores.

MORE TELEPHONES NEEDED along highways. Roadbuilding in the U.S. is shortly due for a great upsurge. Thus far no plans have been revealed which would make it possible for motorists to obtain phone service at reasonable intervals along the highways. Apparently this service is still to be available only at roadside gas stations and restaurants. Additional facilities at road pull-off points might well be added because aside from permitting traveling motorists to communicate the installations can be used as emergency service call points.

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A SHORT-RANGE RADIO that would permit the captains of passing ships to confer with each other was recommended to the Radio Technical Commission for Marine Services. It was pointed out that bridge - to - bridge communication could be invaluable in preventing collisions and in aiding search and rescue operations.

RADAR speed meters are increasing speed violation arrests up to 60%. A total of 1,400 radar sets have been licensed and new installations are being added at a rate of 50 per month.

A PUNCH COMPUTER that automatically totals the number of solid punches landed by a boxer will simplify the scoring of fights. Sensing element is a bladder type unit in the glove which triggers a counter when a substantial blow is struck.

TV DX'ing attempt by NBC's experimental center at Riverhead, N. Y., finally paid off. After repeated efforts they brought in a faint image from a London, England, TV station. NBC officials described it as "a fuzzy but recognizable image of a woman which lasted less than a minute."

NEWEST AIR SAFETY recommendation by the CAA calls for aircraft to be painted with a fluorescent paint that will make the plane stand out against any background.

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TOTALS



TRANSISTOR PRODUCTION

	Factory Production	Factory Sales
1956	(Units)	(Dollar Value)
January	572,000	1.893.000
February	618,000	1,739,000
March	708,000	2,056,000
April	832,000	2,196,000
May	898,000	2,198,000
June	1,131,000	3,645,000
July	885,000	2,330,000
August	1,315,000	3,660,000
TOTAL	6,959,000	19,717,000
	(From statistic	s supplied by RETMA)

Number of Producers of Functional Types of Electronic Test Instruments by Employment Size Groups

	Over 500*	150 to 500*	50 to 150*	15 to 50*	Total**
Voltage & Current Measuring Inst.	2	2	15	17	36
Frequency & Time Interval Measuring Inst. Impedance & Standing Wave Ratio	3	7	H	25	46
Measuring Inst.	3	4	10	22	39
suring Inst.	2	5	13	П	31
Inst.	3	6	19	17	45
Signal Generating Inst.	3	10	19	43	75
Active Network Lype Inst., For Test and Measurement Purposes Passive Network Type Inst. for Test and	3	4	14	17	38
Measurement Purposes ,	2	4	17	21	44

* Engaged in Electranics Test Instrument production

** Of firms having more than 15 employees engaged in Electronics Test Instrument production From "The General-Purpose Electronics Test Instrument Industry"—U. S. Dept. of Commerce.

GOVERNMENT ELECTRONIC CONTRACT AWARDS

This list classifies and give contracts awarded by Go	es the value overnment pro	of electronic equipment sele ocurement agencies in Octo	cted from ber, 1956.
Amplifiers	323,754	Radar Equipment	394,652
Amplifiers, R F	131,127	Radia Receivers	381.727
Amplifiers, Servo	44,279	Radia Receivers-Transmitters	38,709
Battery Chargers	77,345	Radio Transmitters	103,215
Botteries, Dry	185,733	Record Players	183.307
Batteries, Storage	735,671	Recorders & Accessories	56,728
Cable Assemblies	58,205	Rectifiers, Metallic	85,160
Computers & Accessories	1,834,868	Relays	38.731
Cannectors	75,159	Switches	26,940
Headsets	72,701	Telemetering Equipment	37.918
Insulatars	28,050	Teletype Equipment	109.159
Kits, Radio Modification	619,932	Test Sets, Misc.	999.386
Meters	282,730	Test Sets, Radar	432.476
Meters, Frequency	366,619	Transformers	59.391
Oscilloscopes	127,722	Tubes, Electron	2.426.737
Power Supplies	184,629	Vibrators	38,560
Rador Components & Spores	290,574	Wire & Cable	502,963

ELECTRONIC PARTS DISTRIBUTORS

Number in Business	Year	Number in Business
1,030	1951	1,350
1,200	1952	1,370
1,300	1953	1,380
1,320	1954	1,425
1,300	1955	1,679
1.300		

-RETMA Fact Book

More than 40,000 persons engaged in the manufacture of TV sets.

- 10% of the patents issued in 1955 were held by the U. S. Government.
- By 1960 Finland expects to have 4 TV stations and 1 relay station covering 1.59 million people.
- There are 477 licensed TV stations in the U. S.

The West Coast market is growing from 12-14% annually.

- Approximately 50 manufacturers aut of 3600 in the electronic industry account for over 80% af the dallar spent.
- Missile and rocket expenditure has increased from \$21 millian in 1951 to almast \$1 billion in 1955.
- Military electranics is expected to maintain a level af \$2.4 billion for the next few years.
- Nearly 900,000 mobile, base, and portable transmitters are in operation.
- Transistor sales in 1955 neorly tripled aver 1954.
- Research expenditures by the U.S. Government and industry amounts to more than \$4 billion annually.
- Industrial electronic apparatus sales in 1955 was approximately \$700 million.
- 'Hi-Fi' sales are expected to exceed \$500 million in retail sales this year.
- Mexico has approximately 200,000 TV sets in use.
- Of the 45 million homes in the U.S. wired for electricity, 78-80% are inadequately wired.

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Handbook of Basic Circuits, TV-FM-AM

By Matthew Mandl. Published 1956 by The Mac-Millan Co., 60 Fifth Ave., New York 11. 383 pages. Price \$7.50.

The book should appeal to all interested in electronics, for it provides a source of ever-ready reference material on a wide variety of transmitting, receiving, and general purpose circuits. The essential data on virtually every different type of circuit encountered in radio, TV, and audio will be found for the first time within a single volume.

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Spectroscopy at Radio and Microwave Frequencies

By D. J. E. Ingram. Published 1956 by Philosophical Library, Inc., 15 E. 40th St., New York 16. 344 pages. Price \$15.00.

Although approaching the subject in a general way, considerable space is given to the design of experimental apparatus for those who wish to set up such spectroscopes, and in considering the applications of the technique a balance is preserved between fundamental and applied research. The theory is given for each of the three main branches of the subject and although detailed mathematical treatment is avoided, this is illustrated at some length by reference to the various experimental results.

Color Television

Published 1956 by Philco Corp., P. O. Box 9817. Philodelphia 40, Pa. 154 pages, price \$5.00.

Produced by Philco's Electronic Education Unit, this textbook presents simplified theory and service techniques. This usually complex subject has been described in easy-tounderstand terms, and is generously illustrated in color for further simplification. A review of monochrome TV is presented in Chapter One. Subsequent chapters deal with colorimetry, composite color signals, typical circuitry, color CRT, adjustment and alignment, and trouble shooting and set-up considerations.

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Capsule summaries of important happenings in affairs of equipment and component manufacturers

EAST

GENERAL ELECTRIC CO., Syracuse, announced formation of Missile and Ordnance Systems Dept., Defense Electronics Div., with headquarters in Philadelphia.

RADIO CORP. OF AMERICA, Camden, and PHILCO CORP., Philadelphia, among firms receiving contracts from Air Materiel Command. Dayton. RCA's Engrg. Products Div. got \$9,800,946 award for engineering services and reports for fire control system; Philco, a \$3,642,000 contract for tech. services on electronic and communications equipment.

IBM CORP., New York, predicted a 1956 gross income of \$704,000,000-an increase over 1955 of 25%.

DAYSTROM, INC., Elizabeth, N. J., announced contract for its Nuclear Div. to build equipment for Curtiss-Wright Corp.'s research reactor at Quehanna, Pa.

O'HARA ASSOCIATES, a new firm offering professional engineering services, is located at 112 Dewitt St., Syracuse 3.

NEUTRONICS RESEARCH CO., founded at 165 Lake St., Waltham, Mass., for R & D work in countermeasures, communications, medical devices, educational devices, and control circuits. Partners are: Dr. Harry Stockman, H. Philip Hovnanian and E. James Johnston.

DUNLAP & ASSOCIATES, INC., 429 Atlantic St., Stamford, Conn., announced Workshop in Manager Development starting Jan. 31, 1957, in New York for 10 successive Thursdays. Two-hour sessions, at Columbia U. Club, cover management, job performance, personnel development, planning, application. For information, check with Dr. B. J. Covner.

RETMA, Washington, announced that the Statistical Dept. is now called Marketing Data Dept.

DE FOREST PIONEERS, INC., Mineola, N. Y., marking 50th year of electronics as an industry with special publications and tributes to Dr. Lee de Forest.

DR. PAUL J. FLORY, Cornell University, named Executive Director of Research at Mellon Institute. His duties are part-time until Summer of 1957, when he starts fulltime. Dr. Flory will plan and guide the investigational future of the Institute.

NEW YORK TRANSFORMER CO., Alpha, N. J., and ESSEX ELECTRONICS, Berkeley Heights, N. J., joined forces to expand the former's product line. New officers of Essex include: J. B. Schaefer (Pres. of NYT), Chairman of the Board, and B. M. Goldsmith (Pres. of Essex), President and General Manager.

SERVO CORP. OF AMERICA, New Hyde Park, N. Y., awarded an Army Signal Supply Agency contract for development of an infrared detector system for drone aircraft surveillance.

THE NEW YORK AIR BRAKE CO. has acquired Optical Film Engineering Co., Philadelphia, to be operated at its present location as the parent company's Vacuum Equipment Div. Products of new unit include components and systems for TV tubes, and various applications for the electronics industry.

AIRTRON, INC., Linden, N. J., has opened a Cambridge Div., at 317 Vassar St., Cambridge, Mass., which is a microwave ferrite components center, including research, design, development and production facilities.

MID-WEST

NATIONAL CASH REGISTER CO. and PITNEY-BOWES, INC., announced 10-year agreement to cooperate in developing and producing "sorter-readers" of checks and other original forms for use in connection with electronic data processing machines.

BURROUGHS CORP., Detroit, plans to spend about \$73,000,000 for expansion in 1957 and 1958, announced K. C. Tiffany, Vice President-Finance.

NATIONAL UNION ELECTRIC CORP., New York, bought assets of Armstrong Furnace Co., Columbus, for nearly \$4,000,000. Armstrong manufactures and markets warm air heating and air conditioning equipment for both home and industry.

CHRYSLER CORP., Detroit, has named James H. Carmine a Consultant on merchandising and marketing. The former President of Philco Corp., Philadelphia, is still on Philco's board and finance committee.

ADMIRAL CORP., Chicago, has begnn an extensive National advertising compaign, using all major media, to promote new TV, radio, phonograph and appliance lines.



RAYTHEON MFG. CO.'s Chicago Laboratory has moved to Santa Barbara, Calif.

ARNOUX CORP., Los Angeles, received \$300,000 order from Thompson Products, Inc., for a high-speed electronic data processing system, to be installed at Thompson's Aircraft Fuel Systems Research Facility, Inglewood, Calif.

J. B. REA CO., INC., Santa Monica, received \$275,000 in production contracts for Readix II Computers and Rea analog-to-digital converters. Computers were ordered by duPont and Edwards Air Force Base, Pasadena: Edwards AF Base at Muroc, Calif., and Naval Air Missile Test Center, Point Mugu, Calif., ordered converters.

WESTERN ELECTRONIC SHOW & CON-VENTION (WESCON), Los Angeles, appointed Don Larson as Business Manager. He was formerly General Mgr., West Coast Electronic Mfrs. Assn., a co-sponsor of WESCON.

BILL WEST ADVERTISING, 369 So. Robertson Blvd., Beverly Hills, is the new name of Don Larson Advertising, now under new management. West assumes full responsibility for former Larson agency; Larson is devoting full time to WESCON as Business Manager.

CANNON ELECTRIC CO., Los Angeles, expanding East Coast facilities with acquisition of 100,000 sq. ft. on 10-year lease in Salem, Mass., Industrial Center for its Diamond Division.

MINNESOTA MINING & MFG. CO. named Francis C. Healey to General Manager's post for its new Mincom Div., Los Angeles, formerly the Electronics Div. of Bing Crosby Enterprises. John T. Mullin is Research Director of the unit.

KAAR ENGINEERING CORP., Palo Alto, manufacturer of mobile radiotelephones, is marketing some of its products through radio and electronics parts distributors having industrial sales departments, instead of direct to users. Distributors will be serviced by technically trained manufacturer's reps in some sections of the country. LITTON INDUSTRIES. Beverly Hills, has announced the purchase of Triad Transformer Corp., Los Angeles. Acquisition includes Triad's Indiana subsidiary, Utrad Corp., and gives Litton nine U. S. plants.

DALMO VICTOR CO., Belmont, Calif., has moved into its new \$1,500,000 plant where all offices and production lines have been consolidated into the 180,000 sq. ft. building. Firm, a Division of Textron, Inc., Providence, R. I., acquired eight acres of adjacent land for future expansion.

WEBER AIRCRAFT CORP.'S Electronics Div. has moved into a new air-conditioned building next to company headquarters in Burbank, Calif.

RESIN INDUSTRIES, Santa Barbara, Calif., has opened new offices in the Borden Co. plant at Compton, Calif. Firm is a subsidiary of Borden's Chemical Div.

DAYSTROM PACIFIC CORP.'S new milliondollar plant in Westchester, Calif., was scheduled for groundbreaking early in the Fall, with occupancy planned for the office-researchmanufacturing structure in Feb., 1957. The unit, which includes the American Gyro Div., is now in Santa Monica. New 50,000 sq. ft. building is on a seven-acre site.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Berkeley, is establishing a new computer lab with an IBM 701 to assist in basic scientific and industrial research, and to train experts in computer techniques.

FOREIGN

MARCONI'S WIRELESS TELEGRAPH CO., LTD., Chelmsford, Essex, England, has supplied the complete radio receiving station for a new international radio system at Addis Ababa, ordered by the Imperial Board of Telecommunications of Ethiopia.

FEDERAL CARIBE, INC., organized at Santa Isabela, Puerto Rico, as manufacturing subsidiary of Federal Telephone & Radio Co., Clifton, N. J. New unit produces selenium rectifiers, starter switches for fluorescent lights, and other electronic components.

BENDIX AVIATION CORP. purchased 40% interest in Computing Devices of Canada, Ltd., Ottawa. Agreement includes sales and licensing arrangement by which Ottawa firm will handle Bendix electronic products and missile components, and also exchange engineering developments.

GATES RADIO CO., Quincy, Ill., sold a Model BC-50B 50,000 watt broadcast transmitter to Radio Station XET, Monterrey, Mexico.

LENKURT ELECTRIC CO., San Carlos, Calif., formed a corporation in Mexico to manufacture Lenkurt communications equipment. E. J. Rudisuhle, of Palo Alto, elected Vice President-General Manager of Lenkurt de Mexico.

BRITISH LABORATORY WARE ASSN. LTD., London, announced that, to contribute to its Government's price stabilization policy. laboratory furnishers who are Association members have decided to stabilize prices of lab equipment and apparatus, other than chemicals, they manufacture and distribute for six-month period from 1 Sept. 1956. Decision applies to prices fixed by each laboratory furnisher individually and is subject to wage and materials costs' remaining stable.

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Mathematics for Electronics with Applications

By H. M. Nodelman & F. W. Smith. Published 1956 by McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., 330 W. 42nd St., New York 36. 399 pages. Price \$7.00.

This text approaches the problem of presentation in an unique manner. The practical applications that industry makes of mathematics, rather than the mathematical theory itself is emphasized deliberately. Student motivation is therefore increased considerably.

In 6 parts, the book successively treats the calculus, dimensional analysis, matrix algebra, series approximations, Laplace transforms, and Boolean algebra. Interwoven with this mathematics, the parts present case histories of practical applications. solution of electronic networks. prediction of nonlinear electronic device behavior, and a study plan for electronic specialists.

Basic Research in Electronics

Published 1956 by U.S. Department of Defense, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Research and Development, Washington 25, D.C. 49 pages. Paper bound.

Consultants to the Department of Defense present suggestions for basic research areas in the field of electronics which, in their opinion, need additional support at this time.

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Published 1956 by Tube Division, RCA, Harrison, N. J. 40 pages, paper bound. Price 50¢.

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Published 1956 by U. S. Dept. of Commerce, Office of Technical Services, Washington 25, D. C. 508 pages. Price \$5.00.

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By Ernst Weber. Published 1956 by John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York 16. 452 pages. Price \$10.50.

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By C. Russell. Mason. Published 1956 by John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York 16. 410 pages. Price \$12.00.

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(Electronic Tech. Ser.)

By Alexander Schure, Ph.D., Ed.D. Published 1956 by John F. Rider Publisher, Inc., 480 Canal St., New York 13, N.Y. 56 pages, paper bound. Price \$0.90.

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Published 1956 by Tube Div., RCA, Harrison, N. J. 24 pages, paper bound. Price 20¢.

IMC Electrical Insulation Manual

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Diversification . . . The Time Is Now!

Most of us are aware of the continuing shrinking in the number of radio and television set manufacturers that is taking place year by year. From approximately 100 manufacturers in 1950 we find that today more than 90% of the annual production can be traced to less than 10 manufacturers. We are aware too, that many old-line component and instrument suppliers have lost their identity through mergers and combinations. What we may not be aware of, however, is that many component suppliers may face sharp business declines in the future because of the rapid technological advances that have been taking place in recent years.

The most notable development which is hastening the day is the transistor. Three years ago we found it difficult to make reliably performing transistors for less than \$2.00 apiece. Today, Dr. William Shockley, father of the transistor, is predicting production units at 25 cents apiece in less than a decade. The combination of tubes and transistors in present day automobile radios is already having profound effects on vibrator and power supply component suppliers. The development of a completely transistorized switchboard for the military is a cause for concern among relay manufacturers. The increased power handling capacity of present transistor types will undoubtedly make possible completely transistorized television receivers in the near future and this in turn means that the tube industry, too, has grave problems.

Each year during the past four years we have been focusing editorial attention on the developments in printed circuits. Modular printed circuits and etched printed circuits have now been developed to the point where they have become the accepted method of wiring assembly for all types of electronic equipment. Coupled with automation for mass production items, these circuits literally mark the end for hook-up wire, spaghetti tubing, etc.

Not all manufacturers will suffer as a result of these changes, in fact, some may receive the proverbial "shot-in-the-arm." Manufacturers who will benefit most will probably be the dry-cell battery manufacturers.

Some electronic component manufacturers are already aware of the shifting times and have taken steps to evaluate their position. In fact, during the last month, representatives from two well known industrial research houses have contacted us for diversification suggestions for their clients. We know that there are many other well-known organizations making similar products who should also be alert as to what's ahead. Product diversification is necessary in many instances and the time for such evaluation is now!

About that Book . . .

This is the title of an interesting special editorial feature we are presenting this month. There have been many times that electronic engineers have voiced a desire to write a text on a subject in which they are particularly well versed. Too often the many publishing questions confronting the new author, the lack of a clear cut approach channel to the publisher stifles even the starting attempt. In this article, Mr.

Charles Heinle, Manager of the Book Division, Chilton Company, provides the answers to most often asked questions. How much are the royalities? How to choose a publisher? What about copyrights? We hope this feature will be of service to you and we'll be glad to provide reference reprints for as long as our supply lasts. "About That Book" appears on page 50 in this issue.

Electronic Roadways

We are about to embark on a tremendous new highway building program under Federal and State sponsorships. Construction is expected to extend over more than ten years. We have seen some interesting reports on how many tons of concrete and steel will be needed for this work but so far nothing has appeared to indicate that we shall be making use of the many

us new useful products that the electronic industries can State provide. Modern electronic control systems for traffic

provide. Modern electronic control systems for traffic lights and for street lights can greatly assist vehicular safety. Telephonic, radio, microwave and radar systems can greatly aid the law enforcement agencies and the traveler alike. Let's not overlook this opportunity for expanding or diversifying operations.

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Complex mathematical problems are solved by a sequence of arithmetic and logical operations, governed by a coded set of instructions. A number of codes have been devised, the binary being the basis for most. Advantages of popular systems are compared.

By IRVING J. GABELMAN

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25 -	32	5	101	110	111	1000	1001	1010	1011	1100	1101	1110	1111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010
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29-5	12	91	001	1010	1011	1100	1101	1110	1111	0000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	111010	11011	11100	111101	111110
Fig. 1: (L) Binary powers for step-by-step conversion from decimal system. (r.) Examples of completed binary addition.																								

Among the number systems used in modern electronic digital computers are the decimal, binary. octal, bi-quinary, coded - decimal, and excess three. This article describes these number systems and their associated arithmetic operations.

The decimal system uses 10 symbols, 0, 1, 2, ..., 9, and a decimal point to designate a number. The magnitude and position of each digit with respect to the decimal point specify a multiple of a power of 10, the multiple being equal to the value of the digit and the power being determined by its position. The nth digit column to the left of the decimal point represents a multiple of 10"-1 while the nth digit column to the right of the decimal point represents a multiple of 10⁻ⁿ. The total value of the number is the sum of the multiples of the powers of 10 expressed as described. For example,

$$13.25 = (1 \times 10^{1}) + (3 \times 10^{0}) + (2 \times 10^{-1}) + (5 \times 10^{-2}).$$
(1)

Since the digit position relative to the decimal point represents a multiple of a power of 10, the decimal system is known also as a base 10 or radix 10 number system. If the digit position represents a multiple of a power of x, a base x or radix x number system is formed. The general representation of a number y in a radix x system is given by

 $a_na_{n-1}\cdots a_1a_0a_{-1}\cdots a_{k-1}a_k,$

where the value of y is

 $y = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 x$ $+ a_0 + a_{-1} x^{-1} + \cdots + a_{-k} x^{-k}.$ (2)

Radix Conversion

The theoretical basis for radix conversion and examples illustrating the derived methods are given below. When an integral number y is expressed in a radix system x, approximately n digits are required where n is given by

$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{a}}$.

When expressed in a radix system z, the quantity y will require m digits for its representation. Here m and n are approximately related by

$$x^n = z^m$$
,
or $m = \frac{n}{\log_x z}$.

For decimal to binary conversion, x = 10 and z = 2; thus,

$$\frac{m}{n} = \frac{1}{\log_{10} 2} = \frac{1}{0.301} \cong 3\frac{1}{3}$$

This means that the binary representation of a quantity requires approximately 3¹/₃ as many digits as the decimal. For octal to binary, exactly 3 times the number of digits are required.

Conversion Technique

Eq. 2 defines a number y in the radix x number system as equal to the sum of a series of terms. Each term of the series is a multiple of a power of x. The number y may also be expanded as the sum of a series, each term of which is a multiple of a power of another base z, as follows:

$$y = b_{n}z^{n} + b_{n-1}z^{n-1} + \cdots + b_{1}z + b_{0} + b_{-1}z^{-1} + \cdots + b_{-k}z^{-k}$$
(3)

where each of the coefficients b_i assumes any one of the set of values 0, 1, 2, ... (z-1).

If y is expressed as a number in the radix x system, it may be converted to the radix z system by determining the coefficients b_i as follows:

From Eq. 3. $z^n \le y < z^{n+1}$. (4)

Eq. 4 determines n. The coefficient b_n is the largest value of the set 1, 2, \cdots (z - 1) for which

$$b_n z^n \le y. \tag{5}$$

Form a number y', defined as:

$$\begin{split} y' &= y - b_{u} z^{n} \\ &= b_{n-1} z^{n-1} + b_{n-2} z^{n-2} \cdot \cdot \cdot b_{-k} z^{-k}. \end{split}$$
 (6) If $y' < z^{n-1}$, then $b_{n-1} = 0$; however, I. J. GABELMAN, Rome A. D. C., Griffiss AFB, Rome, N. Y.



any radix system and a knowledge of decimal or radix 10 addition is readily extensible to any other number system. Fig. 1 and 3 are addition tables for the binary and octal systems,

Negative Numbers

Circuitry for subtraction is usually not included in the arithmetic unit of a digital computer. Negative numbers are represented by their radix complements, and subtraction is performed in an $(m+s) < 10^n$ to prevent register overflow.

Case 2. m - s; m > s.

This difference is a positive number, given by

$$(m - s) = (m + \bar{s}) - 10^{n}$$
. (8)

Since (m-s) > 0, then $(m+\bar{s}) - 10^n > 0$, or $m+\bar{s} > 10^n$. A carry is always propagated into the 10^n digit column. This carry is discarded in modulo 10^n addition. Therefore, it follows directly that the difference (m-s) is obtained by adding the complement of s to m, discarding the 10^n carry, or

DECIMAL	BINARY	EXCESS 3	EXCESS 3 COMPLEMENT	BI-QUINARY	OCTAL
0	0000	0011	1100	10000 00	0
	0001	0100	1011	00 00010	1
2	0010	0101	1010	00 00100	2
3	0011	0110	1001	00 01000	3
4	0100	0111	1000	00 10000	4
5	0101	1000	0111	01 00001	5
6	0110	1001	0110	01 00010	6
7	0111	1010	0101	01 00100	7
8	1000	1011	0100	01 01000	10
9	1001	1100	0011	01 10000	11

Fig. 2: Equivalent of decimal numbers in a few of the other popular computer number systems in use.

$$f | y | \ge z^{n+1};$$

of
$$\frac{y'}{z^{n+1}}.$$

The above process is iterated to determine the remaining b_i .

then b_{n-1} is the integral part

This technique is applicable to simple conversions and may be used for the integral and fractional parts of a number.

Decimal to Binary

The largest value of n for which 2^n is less than 81.5 is 6. In accordance with equation 5, $b_6 = 1$. Note that in the binary system the coefficients b_i assume the set of values 0 or 1.

		$D_6 = 1$
81.5 - 64 =	$17.5 < 2^{5}$	$b_5 = 0$
	$17.5 > 2^4$	$b_4 = 1$
81.5 - 64 - 16 =	$1.5 < 2^{3}$	$b_3 = 0$
	$1.5 < 2^2$	$b_2 = 0$
	$1.5 < 2^{1}$	$b_1 = 0$
	$1.5 > 2^{0}$	$b_0 = 1$
81.5 - 64 - 16 - 1 =	$.5 = 2^{-1}$	$b_{-1} = 1$
The binary equ	ivalent of	81.5 is
1010001.1.		

Arithmetic Operations

Subtraction, multiplication, and division are all variations of the fundamental arithmetic operation addition. Addition is the same in adder by addition of the minuend and the complement of the subtrahend. The radix z complement of a number s, with (n-1) digits to the left of the radix point, is defined as

 $\overline{\mathbf{s}} = \mathbf{z}^{\mathbf{n}} - \mathbf{s}. \tag{7}$

From Eq. 7, the difference (m-s) is obtained as $(m+\bar{s}) - z^n$, i.e., by adding the complement of s to m, modulo z^n . Addition of 2 numbers modulo z^n refers to addition wherein any carries into the z^n digit column are discarded. The circuits or registers which store numbers in the adder circuitry are fixed in length so that the highest digit column represented is z^{n-1} . Attempted carries into the non-existent z^n stage are lost leading to automatic modulo z^n addition.

An adder thus includes subtraction as part of its addition process or, more generally, one may say that negative numbers are represented by their complement. Four cases of addition in this sense are performed by the adder and these are examined in detail below. For illustrative purposes, addition examples with integral decimal numbers will be used.

Case 1. m + s.

When adding modulo 10ⁿ, the operands must be resiricted so that

 $m - s = m + \bar{s}$. As an example, let m = 40 and s = 27.

 $\overline{s} = 10^{2} - 27 = 73$ m = 40 $\overline{s} = \frac{73}{113}$ $m + \overline{s} = \frac{113}{113}$

The underlined 1 is the 10^2 digit carry which is discarded, giving the correct difference, 13.

Case 3. (m-s); m < s.

This difference is a negative number and, as might be suspected, the operation $m+\bar{s}$ gives as a result the complement of the difference.

From Eq. 8,

 $m - s = (m + \overline{s}) - 10^{n}.$ Since m — s < 0, then m + \overline{s} < 10ⁿ and there is no discarded 10² digit. Rearranging Eq. 8,

$$m + \bar{s} = 10^n - (s - m)$$
 (9)

m + \overline{s} = ($\overline{s - m}$). To illustrate, let m = 27 and s = 40. m = 27 \overline{s} = 60 m + \overline{s} = 87 = ($\overline{s - m}$)

Case 4. (-m) + (-s).

Representing the negative numbers by their complements, this sum is

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By E. J. OELBERMANN, Project Engineer, Haller, Raymond & Brown, Inc., State College, Pa.

Tone Bursts Counted



E. J. Oelbermann

In order to determine the frequency of short bursts of audio tones. it has been necessary to record and repeatedly scan each burst with a harmonic analyzer. Since this process is rather time consuming, it is desirable to have a device which will quietly and accurately extract the desired information from these bursts without the repeated scanning heretofore necessary.

The burst counter shown in Fig. 1, is capable of measuring the repetition frequency of short duration signals and presenting this signal count in the form of a staircase waveform which may be recorded quite easily on a chart recorder. Each decimal digit is represented by a single DC voltage level on the chart record and the frequency can be determined rapidly.

A standard, commercial events-per-unit-time meter or time-interval meter cannot be used conveniently for this purpose, and with the exception of the new Hewlett - Packard counters, which utilize staircase decade units, the output of most electronic counters is generally a binary code, i.e., four bits are required to represent any digit between 0 and 10.

Operation

The burst counter consists essentially of a variablebase time interval meter and gated pulse counter. The time interval base is set by the period of 10 signal pulses, i.e., each pulsed signal defines a 10 pulse interval during which standard pulse counts are accumulated in 3 staircase output decades.

The frequency is easily obtained by dividing the output count into a constant, 10f, where f is the frequency of an internal reference signal derived from a crystal controlled oscillator. The frequency may be read out immediately by referring to a nomogram, Fig. 3.

Detailed operation of the tone burst counter may be understood by referring to the block diagram in Fig. 1. An unknown pulse signal or sinusoidal signal of short duration is introduced to the counter at A, Schmitt trigger 1. Two differentiated outputs are obtained from this circuit, one which is detected and used to operate Schmitt trigger 2, and another which is introduced to gate 1 at B. The positive output waveform of Schmitt trigger 2 is also differentiated and the leading pulse, pulse B, is used to open gate 1 by means of flip-flop 1. Pulses are then allowed to pass through gate 1 to decade 1, which is initially set on 9. Decade 1 immediately returns to 0 and a negative pulse is obtained at the regular output terminal of this decade. This pulse is designated as the "0" pulse.

The "0" pulse opens gates 2 and 3 by means of flipflop 2, and standard frequency pulses, 20 KC in the present model, are allowed to accumulate in decade units 2, 3 and 4. When the 10th signal pulse comes through gate 1, a second pulse from decade 1, shuts gates 2 and 3, locking the standard frequency count in these decades. A trigger signal is derived from the return of flipflop 2 to its normal state and this signal is used to
Short bursts of audio frequencies can now be analyzed without repeated scanning. Repetition frequency is presented in the form of a staircase waveform which is easily recorded on a chart recorder. Features of design are illustrated.



Fig. 3: Nomograph for bursts ranging from 200 to 3000 cps.

By Staircase Decades

initiate scanning. A motor driven switch successively scans the staircase output terminals of decades 2. 3 and 4 and the output count is presented as 3 DC levels on a chart recorder.

Reset

Biased blocking osc. 1 is used to reset decade 1 to 9 for the next count operation, and the return of the scan switch to 0 position is used to reset decades 2, 3 and 4 to 0 again.

Abnormal operation due to the occurrence of less than 10 pulses is prevented by means of a reset signal which passes through gate 3, if the 10th pulse has not already shut this gate. This reset signal operates the thyratron reset circuit which returns decades 2, 3 and 4 to 0 immediately so that an incorrect count cannot be registered.





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Design Data

Each functional block in the present model of the tone burst counter has been constructed in a $4 \times 6 \times 2$ in. aluminum plug-in unit as shown in Fig. 2. These units may be tested separately on an extension cable which plugs into the main chassis.

Neon lamps are used on Schmitt triggers 1 and 2 and gates 1 and 2. Proper operation of these circuits on a normal count is indicated by simultaneous illumination of all 4 lamps.

The present burst counter has been designed to measure frequencies from 200 cps to 3 KC. The accuracy of the counter is directly proportional to the reference frequency and inversely proportional to the frequency to be measured. Using a reference frequency of 20 KC, 1% accuracy is obtained at a frequency of 3 KC. Frequency near 200 cps can be measured to 0.1%. If higher accuracy is desired at higher signal frequencies, the reference frequency may be increased proportionately. The optimum reference frequency to be used depends on the required range of frequencies to be measured.

Operation of the present model is independent of pulse shape. Due to the nature of the Schmitt trigger circuit, it is possible to use any type of repetitive signal or waveform. Noise discrimination is provided by varable threshold controls on the Schmitt trigger circuits and the small time constant used in the envelope detector, which prevents stray noise pulses from providing a voltage large enough to fire Schmitt trigger 2.

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Preview of the 1956 Eastern Joint Computer Conference

Dec. 10-11-12

Hotel New Yorker New York City



Sylvania's installation of a Remington-Rand Univac

Record attendance of engineers, mathematicians and management executives is anticipated for the three-day conference on "New Developments In Computers." Technical sessions will feature the presentation of 28 technical papers by leading computer authorities, and free copies of the proceedings of the conference for all registrants.

Engineers, management executives and other interested people from all over the nation will be converging on the New Yorker Hotel and adjoining Manhattan Centre in New York City to attend the three day Eastern Joint Computer Conference which will begin there on December 10, 1956.

This year's conference will have as its theme "New Developments in Computers," and will be sponsored jointly by the Institute of Radio Engineers, American Institute of Electrical Engineers and the Association for Computing Machinery. A reduced rate for members of the three sponsoring societies is available to registrants; all persons registering will receive a free copy of the Proceedings of the Computer Conference.

Registrants will be greeted on Monday morning by Conference Chairman J. R. Weiner of Remington Rand and will hear Howard T. Engstrom of the National Security Agency deliver the Introduction and Keynote address. This will be followed by two additional talks by Everett S. Calhoun and L. D. Whitelock on new computer and computer components.

The expected record attendance will hear more than 28 technical papers presented by the foremost computer authorities during the 6 half-day sessions of the conference. At least 20 of the leading manufacturers of computers and associated products will display their latest items and machinery at nearly 100 attractive booths and displays.

There will be a luncheon on Tuesday, Dec. 11, at which Robert Watson-Watt, Director General of Watson-Watt Labs. will speak.

J. W. Leas of RCA has been appointed Chairman of the Program Committee. V. N. Vaughn of AT&T is Chairman of the Publications Committee and J. A. Haddad of IBM Corp. has been appointed Chairman of the Local Arrangements Committee for the conference.



Bendix's G-15D computer and DA-1 Digital Differential Analyzer



Magnetic core memory of IBM's AN/FSQ air defense computer

Conference Program

Monday Afternoon, December 10, 1956

- New Systems, Professor Norman Scott, Session Chairman
 - 1. "The TRANSAC S-1000 Com-puter," by J. L. Maddox, J. B. O'Toole, and S. Y. Young.
 - "A Transistor Computer with a 256 x 256 Memory," by J. L. Mitchell and K. H. Olsen.
 - "Design Objectives for the IBM STRETCH Computer," by S. W. 3. Dunwell.
 - "A New Large Scale Data Han-dling System—DATAMATIC 1000," by R. M. Bloch, W. C. Carter, E. J. Dieterich and J. E. 4. Smith.
 - 5.
 - Smith. "The TRADIC LEPRECHAUN Computer," by J. A. Githens. "Functional Description of the NCR 304 Data Processing Sys-tem for Business Applications," by M. S. Shiowitz and A. A. Cherin, and M. J. Mendelson.

Tuesday Morning, December 11, 1956

- Circuits and Components, Theodore A. Kalin, Session Chairman
 - "Ambient Approach to Solid-1. State Computer Components," by J. K. Hawkins.
 - "A Magnetically-Controlled Gat-ing Element," by D. A. Buck.
 - 3. "A 2.5 Megacycle Ferractor Ac-cumulator," by T. H. Bonn and R. D. Torrey.
 - "High-Temperature Silicon-Transistor Computer Circuits," by J. B. Angell.
 - "A Saturable-Transformer Digi-tal Amplifier with Diode Switch-ing," by E. W. Hogue. 5.

Tuesday Afternoon, December 11, 1956 Input-Output Devices, William H. Burkhart, Session Chairman

"An Automatic Input for Busi-ness Data Processing Systems," by K. R. Eldredge, F. J. Kamp-hoefner and P. H. Wendt.

- 2. "The Burroughs Electrographic Printer Plotter for Ordnance Computing," by Herman Epstein and Paul Kintner.
- "A Transistorized Transcribing Card Punch," by C. T. Cole, K. L. Chien, and C. H. Propstere.
- "Apparatus for Magnetic Stor-age on Three-Inch Wide Tape," by R. B. Lawrence, R. E. Wil-kins, and R. A. Pendleton.
- 5. "Synchronization of a Magnetic Computer," by J. Keilsohn and G. Smoliar.

Wednesday Morning, December 12, 1956

- High-Speed Memories, Professor Morris Rubinoff, Session Chairman
 - 1. "A Technique for Using Memory Cores as Logical Elements," by L. Andrews.
 - 2. "Recent Developments in Very High-Speed Magnetic Storage Techniques," by W. W. Lawrence.
 - "A Low-Cost Megabit Memory," by R. A. Tracy.
 - "A Compact Coincident-Current Memory," by A. V. Pohn and S. Rubens.
 - "A Cryotron Catalog Memory System," by A. E. Slade.

Wednesday Afternoon, December 12, 1956

- Random Access Memory Files and Con-ference Summary John Howard, Session Chairman
 - "The Datafile—A New Tool for Extensive File Storage," by D. N. MacDonald and C. L. Ricker.
 - "Engineering Design of a Mul-tiple Access Storage System (MASS)," by M. L. Greenfield. "A Large-Capacity Drum File," by V. J. Porter and H. F. Welsh.

 - "System Organization of the IBM 305," by M. L. Lesser and W. Haanstra.

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Conference Summary-John W. Carr, III



Burroughs Corp.'s core tester







Computer Switching With Micro-alloy Transistors

By J. B. ANGELL and M. M. FORTINI

New units have characteristics of low emitter-to-collector saturation voltages and large current amplification. Described are basic switching circuits employing transistors and a review of the characteristics important in switching applications.

Fig. 1: Cross-section of jet etched-jet plated blank.



Fig. 2: Computation of hole-storage figure-of-merit.



The initial steps in fabricating microalloy transistors are identical with those used in making surfacebarrier transistors. A wafer of N-type germanium, with a resistivity of perhaps 0.5 ohm-cm. and initially 0.004 in. thick, is electrolytically jet etched on both sides until the minimum wafer thickness, at the bottom of the etch pits, is the desired value, which might be 0.1 mil (0.0001 in.). This thickness can be very accurately monitored by continuously measuring the percentage of infrared transmission through the etched portion of the wafer. After the etching is completed, the emitter and collector dots are plated onto the bottoms of the etch pits. These dots are chiefly indium; the necessary small amount of gallium may be added either during the plating process, together with the indium, or during the alloying cycle, from the solder. After the required amount of indium is plated. the emitter and collector leads, with small balls of solder already applied to the leads, are brought up to the plated dots, as suggested in Fig. 1. The assemblage is then subjected to the heat cycle which yields the microalloy contacts. The heating process lasts for only a few seconds at a temperature which is preferably just slightly higher than that required to melt both the solder and the plated dots. The transistor is thus completed, except for cleaning and encapsulation.

Characteristics

Representative small-signal and low-frequency characteristics of present-day microalloy transistors are listed in Table 1. These numbers are the averages from a large set of data taken on pilot-line transistors made on 0.5 ohm-cm. material with a collector diameter of 7 mils (before final cleanup). The microalloying process provides two principal improvements in the characteristics as compared with the numbers before heating. First, the small-signal common-

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 $f_{\alpha} = 60 \text{ mc}$ $f_{MAX} = 65 \text{ mc}$ $r_{b}' C_{c} = 450 \text{ J}_{J} \text{ J}_{Sec}$ $C_{ob} = 3.5 \text{ J}_{J} \text{ J}_{f}$ $(\beta) = h_{fe} = 200$ $V_{cE} \begin{pmatrix} I_{c} = -8 \text{ ma} \\ I_{B} = -1 \text{ ma} \end{pmatrix} = 0.035 \text{ volt}$ PUNCH THROUGH = 13 volts $(V_{cE} = -3 \text{ volts} \quad I_{c} = 0.5 \text{ ma})$

TABLE I

emitter current amplification at low currents, h_{fe} or β , is increased substantially. Secondly, the fall-off of current amplification with increasing current is substantially reduced by the microalloying treatment.

Hole Storage

Rise Time

Hole storage, or more accurately, the storage of minority carriers in the base region of a conducting transistor, is a basic limitation to the max. speed at which the transistor can be switched.

A hole-storage figure-of-merit can be prescribed in many ways. One simple method, illustrated in Fig. 2, is to measure the time required for the collector to come out of saturation after the emitter current is reduced to zero from some value considerably greater than the collector current (typically $I_E = 21_C = 2.0$ ma.). For the L-5131 microalloy transistor the storage time in this test is in the range of 50-250 µsec.

Rise time is the time it takes to turn a transistor "on". Initially the transistor is cut off $(I_c = 0)$. The final state usually finds the transistor near or well in saturation.

If the transistor does not reach saturation, the rise time is just that of the transistor used as a video amplifier.

If the transistor reaches saturation, the rise time is shortened because the "bottoming" of the collector cuts off the long tail of the video transient response. This point is illustrated in Fig. 4. It is thought that the reason the curves do not coincide exactly is the lower alpha-cutoff frequency associated with the lower collector voltages.

Fall time is considered as the time required after a transistor has come out of saturation until it is essentially cut off.

The fall times corresponding to different degrees of saturation can be seen in Fig. 4. For the partic-(Continued on page 123)



Fig. 4: Transient response to current step. Curves do not concide due to lower alpha-cutoff.



BASE DRIVE-CURRENT SOURCE

VOLTAGE SOURCE

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Fig. 5: Characteristics of 5 different microalloy transistors with current drive on the base.

'Reading' and 'Writing' Defined

By A. BLUNDI

A plain-language description of magnetic drum read-write techniques, components, and technical terms

A common computer component is the Magnetic Drum, usually a rotating cylinder, the surface of which is coated with some magnetic substance, e.g., iron oxide. Information is stored on the drum in the form of magnetic spots representing some type of binary code.

Writing

The process of putting these spots on the drum is known as Writing. This is accomplished by means of a recording head which is mounted close to the surface of the drum. When pulses of current are passed through the head in a certain direction, an electro-magnetic field is set up and a small spot on the drum is magnetized to saturation with a certain polarity. This we will call writing a "1." When current is passed through the head in the opposite direction. the electromagnetic field is reversed and a small spot is magnetized to saturation with the opposite polarity. This we will call writing a "O." In this manner, the two symbols of the binary system can be represented on the surface of the drum.

Reading

The process of recovering this information which previously had been written on the drum is called Reading. As the magnetized spot on the drum passes under the readwrite head, current is induced in a direction corresponding to the polarity of this spot. When the spot passes away from the head the current ceases. In this way it is possible to translate the magnetized

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spots into pulses of opposite polarity. For convenience, the positive pulses will be called "1"s and the negative pulses will be called "O"s.

Read Amplifier

In order to uses these pulses for information handling, they must be amplified and shaped. This is done by a Read Amplifier, and in order to eliminate some of the problems of handling positive and negative pulses on one line, it is common practice for the Read Amplifier to accept positive pulses only. Consequently, in the system (apart from the drum) a "1" is represented by a positive pulse and a "O" is represented by a "no pulse."

Channel

Each read-write head controls the narrow strips of the drum

which rotates under it. This strip, one pulse wide, is called a Channel or a Track (designated by a dotted line on the diagram).

Band

A number of associated channels is called a Band.

Capacities

We have discussed the various physical features of the memory how the information is transferred to and from the surface of the drum. We must now consider briefly the capacities involved. For purposes of illustration an imaginary drum will be described.

Memory Size

The amount of information which can be stored on a particular drum is called the Memory Size. There are various ways of express-(Continued on page 92)

Fig. 1: Magnetic drum recording



CUES for BROADCASTERS

Practical ways of improving station operation and efficiency

Franklin Oscillator

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SIMPLE version of Franklin osc. is used as local osc. in a 4-channel fixed-tuned Conelrad receiver. Osc. is adjusted to frequencies between 610 and 1180 KC. Tube used is twin-triode 12AT7. Type 12AU7 functions equally as well. Half a dozen of each tube type have been tried in service with no retuning necessary, despite a rather sharply tuned IF section. Tuning coil is Miller type 242A with primary removed. C1 and C2 are 3 µµf Erie Ceramitons.

Actually greatest degree of frequency stability is assured when C1 and C2 are adjusted to minimum value consistent with stable oscillation. These 2 capacitors could be physically combined in a small split-stator type tuning condenser. Minimum value required in some circuit arrangements may be less than 1 µµf. Load is taken from anode of second triode section. In general, it is better practice to connect load to anode of first or grid of second triode section. At these 2 points there is the greatest degree of isolation between load and the frequency controlling circuit.

Remote Control

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N building our studios at the transmitter site, we didn't have the room for our "Mag's" in the control room, and also had to put 4 turntables on one side of the control room. Having this problem, we came up with this solution. The momentary push button switches for the "Mag's" are mounted on a panel next to the console with our remote switching gear. The



Local oscillator for Conelrad receiver.

In addition to use as a local osc., Franklin circuit works well in laboratory osc., secondary frequency standards and transmitters not requiring crystal control. A crystal may be substituted for the tuned circuit. Due to high gain of resistance coupled amplifier even resonating type crystals will oscillate satisfactorily.

The circuit is named after C. S. Franklin who developed it for the Marconi Co. Because frequency can be altered by switching a single connection it is often called a single terminal osc. The single terminal feature adapts readily to fixedtuned or push button design. Construction is simplified with stator side of tuning capacitors at ground level.

switches for the turntables are mounted on the base of the console right under the faders for each turntable, making for easy operation. All of the relays are mounted inside the transmitter room so there is no noise. One 110 to 6v. transformer is used for all 12 relays, using 6VAC coils on relays to keep the 110vAC away from console.

The results have been so satisfactory, that we're now building a dual channel, 5 position push button system for our network switching using the same principle.

mote control.





The Franklin osc. possesses excellent frequency stability due to 2 factors; merit of tuning circuit and loose coupling between tuning circuit and tubes. Extremely small values of C1 and C2 are required to sustain smooth oscillation. This results in a frequency controlling circuit of high Q due to light loading effect and tube capacitances connected in series with coupling capacitors or high reactance. Fluctuations of heater or anode voltages have negligible effect on oscillating frequency.

Slide Number Indicator

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ONE of the greatest causes of error in small TV station operation is taking the wrong slide on the air because the switcher has not had the opportunity to preview the slide or otherwise determine which slide is next in line.

If the station projection room is so located that the rear of the slide projector may be viewed either directly or in a mirror from the switcher position, all guesswork may be eliminated. As shown in the illustration, large numbers are painted on the back side of the slide projector discs so that the number appearing at the top of the disc corresponds with the number



Indicator for slide, disc, and slide run.

of the slide ready to be shown. "A" and "B" discs are likewise identified by letters painted on the back of the projector. Where desired, a paper clamp may be mounted to hold a small card showing the switcher the number of the slide run.

This system has been in use for several months and has proved effective in reducing operational errors.

Most available alloyed germanium transistors are constructed asymmetrically. That is, the collector is generally of larger area than the emitter so that a favorable solid angle exists for car-



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riers moving across the base region to be collected. Thus the normal alpha (common-base current gain) is greater than the inverted alpha ("collector" side used as an emitter and "emitter" side used as a collector). Such asymmetry along with the use of the inverted (lowgain) connection has been established as desirable for chopper service.^{2, 3, 4} Common practice in transistor chopper literature is to illustrate the transistor as if it were operating in common-collector, though inverted common-"emitter" is intended (Fig. 1a).

Chopper Studies

For low-level chopper studies where collector currents of the order of microamps and collector voltages of the order of millivolts are of most concern, it is probably valid to consider that the transistor is operating in the "Shockley" region.¹ That is, the applied voltages and currents do not cause appreciable changes from thermal equilibrium conditions, and, thus, the alphas can be considered reasonably independent of the operating point. Under such conditions⁵

 $\alpha_i I_{CO} = \alpha_n I_{EO}, \qquad (1)$

- where $\alpha_n =$ common-base current gain (emitter to collector),
 - $\alpha_i =$ common-base current gain (collector to emitter),
 - I_{CO} = collector-base body saturation current (reverse biasing), and
 - I_{E0} = emitter-base body saturation current (reverse biasing).

Ebers and Moll⁵ have shown that, neglecting surface leakage and

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Transistorized Low-Level

Advantages of speed, ruggedness, and life expectancy more than compensate for lower switching "quality." Use of multiples and external "stabilizing" and "compensating" resistance is described.



Chopper-Circuits



By RICHARD B. HURLEY

Fig. 4: Practical equivalent circuits.

body ohmic drops, the emitter and collector currents are each composed of two parts: an ideal diode current and a collected current. Following their analyses and making free use of Eq. 1, it can be shown that the pertinent equations of the common-emitter switch (Fig. 2) are as follows (Similar expressions were developed by Bright.²):

$$\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{C}} = \frac{\alpha_{i}}{1 - \alpha_{i} \alpha_{n}} \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{C}\mathbf{O}} \epsilon^{\mathbf{q}\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{B}}/\mathbf{k}\mathbf{T}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 - \frac{\epsilon^{-\mathbf{q}\mathbf{V}}\mathbf{c}^{/\mathbf{k}\mathbf{T}}}{\alpha_{i}} \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1 - \alpha_{i}}{1 - \alpha_{i} \alpha_{n}} \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{C}\mathbf{O}} \quad (2)$$

and
$$I_{B} = \frac{\alpha_{i}}{\alpha_{n}} I_{CO} \left(\epsilon^{qV_{B}/kT} - 1 \right)$$

- $(1 - \alpha_{i}) I_{C}$ (3)

While Eq. 2 and 3 are sufficient to describe the performance of an idealized transistor switch, it is found convenient to develop equivalent circuits for the "on" and "off" qualities. Furthermore, these qualities will be of most concern for very small signals and hence small collector voltages. Therefore it seems reasonable to assume that

$$V_{C} << \frac{kT}{q} \cong 0.026$$
 v. at normal
room temperatures. (4)

For the above assumption, Eq. 2 can be made linear for the collector voltage by using only the first 2 terms in the series expansion of an exponential.

$$\epsilon^{-qV} c'^{kT} \cong 1 - \frac{qVc}{kT} \cdot (5)$$

Substituting Eq. 5 into Eq. 2 and

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solving for the collector voltage, the resulting equation takes on the form

$$V_{\rm C} = R I_{\rm C} + V, \qquad (6)$$

where

$$\mathbf{R} = \frac{\mathbf{kT}}{\mathbf{qT}_{\mathbf{CO}}} \left(\mathbf{1} - \alpha_{i} \alpha_{n}\right) \, \epsilon^{-\mathbf{qV}_{\mathbf{B}}/\mathbf{kT}}, \quad (7)$$
and

 $\mathbf{V} = \frac{\mathbf{kT}}{\mathbf{q}} \left(\mathbf{1} - \alpha_{i} \right) \left(\mathbf{1} - e^{-\mathbf{q} \mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{B}}/\mathbf{kT}} \right). \quad (8)$

Eq. 6 suggests a series circuit, and it is found most useful for describing the "on" condition. When the switch is "on," however, the drive input impedance (baseemitter) is very low, and in practical cases the drive circuit probably contains a fair amount of resistance in series with the chopping voltage. Thus it may be more convenient to express the equivalent circuit in terms of the drive current, $I_{\rm R}$, rather than the drive voltage, $V_{\rm B}$. Rearranging Eq. 3,

$$\epsilon_{\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}_{\mathbf{T}}}}} = \frac{\alpha_{n} \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{B}}}{\alpha_{i} \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{C}0}} + 1 + \frac{\alpha_{n} (1 - \alpha_{i})}{\alpha_{i} \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{C}0}} \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{C}}.(3a)$$

For practical choppers, $I_B >> I_{CO}$ and $I_B >> I_C$ in the "on" condition, hence only the first term of Eq. 3a is significant.

$$\epsilon^{rV_{\mathbf{B}}'\mathbf{k}T} \cong \frac{\alpha_{\mathbf{n}}}{\alpha_{\mathbf{i}}} \frac{\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{B}}}{\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{CO}}}, \qquad (3b)$$

and therefore

$$R \cong \frac{kT}{qI_B} \frac{\alpha_i}{\alpha_n} (1 - \alpha_i \alpha_n),$$
 (7a)

Furthermore, for the "on" condition, the drive voltage is positive. Hence,

$$V \cong rac{kT}{q} (1 - \alpha_i)$$
, for $e^{-qV_B/kT} << 1$. (8a)

For the "off" state, a parallel equivalent circuit is found most representative of the output of a transistor chopper. If Eq. 5 is again Fig. 5: Series-pair chopper circuit.

assumed, and Eq. 2 is rearranged. it takes the form

$$\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{C}} = \mathbf{G} \, \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{6}} + \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{6}} \tag{2a}$$

where

$$G = \frac{I_{CO}}{1 - \alpha_i \alpha_n} \frac{q}{kT} \epsilon^{q V_B / kT}, \quad (9)$$

and

$$\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{1}_{eo} \cdot \frac{1 - \alpha_i}{1 - \alpha_i \alpha_n} \left(1 - \epsilon^{q \mathbf{V}_B / \mathbf{k} \mathbf{T}} \right) \quad (10)$$

When the transistor is "off," its drive input impedance is very high. Hence Eq. 9 is appropriately a function of the drive voltage, $V_{\rm B}$. Also the drive voltage is negative, thus

$$\mathbf{I} \cong \frac{1-\alpha_1}{1-\alpha_1 \alpha_n} \mathbf{1}_{\mathbf{C}0}, \text{ for } \epsilon^{\mathbf{q} \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{B}}/\mathbf{k} \mathbf{T}} < < 1. (10a)$$

Equivalent Circuits

The equivalent circuits for the "on" and "off" conditions between the collector and emitter terminals have now been established for the ideal transistor for very low collector currents and collector-emitter voltages (Fig. 3). To make the low-level circuits practical. however, surface leakage and body ohmic drops must be added to the ideal "barrier" effects. For the "on" state, and assuming a known constant current, $I_{\rm B}$, an additional battery can be used to represent the drop in the ohmic resistance of the

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AMPLIFIER

For use where max. mobility and flexibility is desired, plus for those applications where limited space is a factor, a new multi-channel dc amplifier unit has been developed. The unit



consists of 6 completely interchangeable plug-in dc amplifier sections, plus power supply, plus a 6 channel oscillograph. The instrument is also available in a portable cart, allowing maxinum ease of movement to a required job location. It is particularly suited for such applications as computer readout. The unit features a measurement range from 0.050 to 400 v. Brush Electronics Co., Cleveland. (Ref. No. 12-41).

CHECK-OUT SYSTEM

A new, automatic system for obtaining absolute dc and ac voltage and frequency values, as well as "go/no go" checks, has been developed. The system, developed for missile check-



out, is extremely flexible, requiring only a change in the test programming to accommodate changing test requirements. The program units include an input scanner, a programmer, card memory and printer. The control unit consists of visual indicators and necessary circuitry for utilizing the measurement units for monitoring junctions under test. Electro Instruments, Inc., San Diego. (Ref. No. 12-44).

MEMORY SYSTEM

A unique magnetic memory system especially designed for delayed control of high speed continuous process lines and automatic sorting of items moving through complex conveyor



systems has been announced. These systems accept signals from almost all measuring devices such as photoelectric controls, pressure switches, relays, beta gauges, ultrasonic detectors, magnetic detectors, etc. No exact gearing or coupling ratio need be prescribed between the processing or conveyor line drive shaft and the input shaft of the unit. Automation Inc., Wellesley Hills, Mass. (Ref. No. 12-45).

Obtain more information on these products by filling in the reference number on the inquiry card, p. 105

PRINTERS

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The printers are basic adding, multiplying, or calculating machines equipped with electrically actuated keys. Thus, figures can be entered into the machines electrically and at high speeds. Having an extremely wide range of versatility, the Digitmatic can be used with paper tape typewriters, electronic counters, digital testing equipment, digital scales,



production counters, and for such integrated data processing office applications as automatic invoice calculating, purchase order extensions, account selection and totaling. Victor Adding Machine Co., Chicago. (Ref. No. 12-42).

PROGRAM COMPUTER

A general purpose, digital, oneaddress, stored program computer of the medium speed class. It is available for either fixed point operation alone, or for fixed point and floating point operation. Alphabetic, as well as numeric data, may be operated on, assuring maximum flexibility for both commercial and scientific users. Each of the words of internal drum storage



consists of 10 decimal digits and sign, or 2 commands, complete with addresses. Internal operation is in the decimal number system, with each decimal digit represented by four binary bits. J. B. Rea Co., Inc., Santa Monica. (Ref. No. 12-47).

SHAPED-BEAM TUBE

A new model of the shaped-beam tube which can reproduce 1,200,000 tiny letters and numbers per minute for recording photographically has gone into production. The new tube, designated the Type C7C11, has a 7-in. dia. The small size of the characters enables the 7 in. tube to reproduce 9 times the information density (characters psi) possible with other



models. This vastly reduces the number of pictures required to reproduce in permanent form the electronicallyproduced characters. For use with photo-recording devices in an electronic computer. Stromberg-Carlson, San Diego. (Ref. No. 12-46).

And Accessory Equipment

PRECISION POT

Series 18-100 multi-turn, linear and non-linear potentiometers with a new method of exterior winding, have an operating temperature range of from -55° C. to $+100^{\circ}$ C. linearity as low as

0.015% and electrical noise output only slightly above resolution level. These potentiometers have a max. dia. of 1.825 in. Optional terminal linearity makes field service practical where replacement might be necessary. All taps and terminal connections are welded to a single selected turn of wire. Three turn pots available from 500 to 75,000 ohms; 10 turn pots from 500 to .2 meg. Electromath Corp., Stamford, Conn. (Ref. No. 12-73).

CONTROL UNIT

This computing unit occupies $\frac{1}{3}$ cu. ft. and weighs less than 12 lbs. It operates on only 3 v. potential and contains nearly 1,000 transistors, 300 resistors, and 12 capacitors perma-

nently dip-soldered into compact, plug-in, printed-circuit cards. Each card provides all the functions for 1 binary digit including add, subtract, multiply, divide, square root, shift right, shift left, sign and absolute magnitude. Ten "math" and 7 "control" cards are plugged into the 10 in. long unit to provide all arithmetic processing facilities. It adds 2 numbers in 1.5 usec, multiplies in 15 usec. Philco Corp., Phila. (Ref. No. 12-75).

SIGNAL GENERATOR

These generators are designed to provide ultrastable, accurate statistical functions for computer analysis, missile system analysis, and radar countermeasures studies. Available

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CARD CONVERTER

The new ALWAC Card Converter automatically translates alphabetically and decimally coded data recorded on cards into binary "language" understood by the electronic digital computer. This new converter makes possible the direct and automatic transfer of data from cards to computer for processing. Addition of this new Card Converter greatly increases the AL-

A secondary-standard voltage-reference source combines a dc voltage source with 5 decade switches as incremental voltage dividers to provide a versatile, easy-to-operate instrument. The continuous dc reference outputs of ± 100.00 v. have initial accuracy of 0.01% and maximum drift of 0.02% per year. Output voltage is selectable between ± 111.112 and

WAC III-E computer system's range of applications which now includes processing payroll, personnel, sales, records, alphabetically and decimally coded on cards. Logistics Research Inc., Redondo Beach, Calif. (Ref. No. 12-68).

-111.112 in discrete steps of 1 mv.; minimum-resolution steps of 10 μ v are obtainable when a precision (100:1) attenuator is used. Available as a portable unit or in the 14 in. size for standard rack mounting. Epsco, Inc., Boston. (Ref. No. 12-37).

TAPE SPLICER

An indispensable accessory for any tape recorder user, this new Britishmade splicer is extremely simple to use and can be employed both for mending broken tapes and for editing purposes. Made of nickel-plated brass, the BIB splicer comes mounted on a flock-sprayed base, or can be mounted directly on any tape deck. The body of the splicer has two pivoted clamps

which lock into position to hold the sections firmly in a channel. Both vertical and diagonal mitres are provided for either editing or mending, which is done by means of cellulose tape. A razor-type cutter is included. Ercona Corp., New York. (Ref. No. 12-66).

With computer rental going at \$350/hr., elimination of "down time" is essential. High speed inspection of tube filaments is a prime requirement. Described here is circuitry which indicates continuity of large banks—in seconds.

Locating "Open Heaters" In Computer Circuitry

By RONALD L. IVES

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Fig. 1: (a) Wheatstone Bridge indicates filament "open"; (b) Filament transformer replaces resistive arms; (c) Second tube eliminates last resistor and, (d) four tube filaments form bridge.

Detection of a single open filament in a multi-tube shunt-wired system is somewhat difficult, and most of the detection and indication systems investigated are unworkable because of bulk, cost, or complexity. Two systems, however, seem to be useful in a wide variety of applications. One of these, called the bridge system, is direct indicating. In some of its applications, the bridge system draws no current when all of the monitored filaments are whole. The other, called the "Biblical System," operates on the principle "seek and ye shall find."

Bridge Systems

The various bridge systems for continuous monitoring of filament continuity all work on the general principle of the Wheatstone Bridge.

As applied to filament monitoring (see Fig. 1a), a lamp indicator is used to detect an unbalance, and one bridge arm is replaced by the tube filament. The resistance which is effective here is the hot resist-

RONALD L. IVES, John C. Beckman Co., 2172 Staunton Court, Palo Alto, Calif. ance of the filament, designated by R_h , and determinable from the tube filament ratings. The cold resistance of the filament, as determined by an ordinary low-current ohmmeter, is about $\frac{1}{5}$ R_h .

Once the supply voltage, E_s , which must be higher than the required filament voltage, E_f , is chosen, and the tube is selected, R_a can be immediately evaluated from $(E_s-E_f))/I_f$; and the ratio R_c/R_d can be determined next from R_a/R_h , or from $(E_s-E_f)/E_f$.

When the lamp current, I_1 , and the lamp voltage, E_1 , are chosen, R_c and R_d can be evaluated "easily" in about 30 min. by skillful use of Ohm's and Kirchoff's Laws. The lamp must, in general, operate at a voltage and current much less than that of the tube filament.

With currently available equipment, bridge operation is most economical of power when E_s is very roughly twice E_t . In this arrangement, $R_a == R_h$; and $R_c == R_d$. The lower 2 arms of the bridge, in consequence, function merely as a center tap. As a perfectly good center tap is already supplied on most filament transformers, we may

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Fig. 2: (a) For 115 v., supply voltage across open filament ignites neon lamp; (b) For 28 v., brightest lamp indicates open filament.

omit the unnecessary elements, arriving at a simplified bridge, Fig. 1b. Here, the monitoring components consume exactly as much power as the tube filament, when the filament is whole.

Since $E_s = 2E_f$ and $R_a = R_h$, R_s can be easily calculated by use of the following equations:

$$(\mathbf{R}_{a} + \mathbf{R}_{s}) \mathbf{I}_{1} + \mathbf{E}_{1} = \mathbf{E}_{t}$$
$$\mathbf{R}_{s} = \frac{\mathbf{E}_{t} - \mathbf{E}_{1}}{\mathbf{I}_{1}} - \mathbf{R}_{a}$$

Two-Tube Bridge

By making R_a another functioning tube filament, power waste is reduced to Zero, and the monitoring circuit becomes a "free rider." This can be accomplished by connecting two like tubes, as regards E_f and I_f , across the line, or by use of tubes which have a center-tapped filament, such as the 12AT7, 12AU7, 12AX7 family. The first alternative is ideally suited for push-pull circuits; the second for general use. Circuit diagram is shown in Fig. 1c.

In these arrangements, value of the lamp series resistor must be computed from the lamp characteristics and from the warm resistance R_w , of the still-whole tube filament. It should be specifically noted

TA	BLE 1: R,	for Mazda	#49 lamp
	6L6	6SL7	1⁄2-12AT7
$\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{f}}$	6.3 v.	6.3 v.	6.3 v.
I_{i}	0.9 a.	.3 a.	.15 a.
R _h	7Ω	21 Ω	$42 \ \Omega$
$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{w}^1}$	$1.77 \ \Omega$	7.6 Ω	18.5 Ω
R_{s}^{2}	75 Ω	68 Ω	56 Ω
1 at	60 ma.		

² nearest higher stock value.

that this is a working approximation, satisfactory for this application, and not a rigorous evaluation. R_w , found by the equation

$$\mathbf{R}_{w} = \frac{\mathbf{R}_{h}}{5} + \left(\frac{4 \mathbf{R}_{h}}{5} \times \frac{\mathbf{I}_{1}}{\mathbf{I}_{f}}\right)$$

is substituted in the foregoing equation to find the proper value of R_{s^*}

Values of R_s for use with a Mazda #49 lamp (2v., 60 ma.) and 3 representative tube types are shown in Table 1. It is notable here that the warm resistance of power tube filaments is very low. In consequence, a Mazda #44 lamp (6.3v., 250 ma.) can be used with 6L6 and similar tubes without a series resistor; and a Mazda #47 (6.3v., 150 ma.) with tubes drawing 300 ma. or more.

Four-Tube Bridge

Another filament monitoring circuit, also employing the bridge principle, is especially applicable to push-pull parallel circuits, such as are currently popular with 6L6's and 5881's in high-fidelity circuits. This is shown in Fig. 1d, and like (Continued on page 102)

Fig. 3: "Biblical System" wherein open filament, or dead bulb, is indicated by unlit lamp, when relay contacts are opened.

New Avionic Products

TIMING GENERATOR

A new, virtually "G-immune" timing generator which can be designed to pulse at any rate from once to 3,000 times/sec., will be used to establish a time base on the film of air-

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FREE GYRO

Compact versatility is the primary characteristic of the Model F10A-1 Free Gyro. It's a unit small enough to meet space requirements for missile applications and capable of delivering

full efficiency in both missile and piloted aircraft systems. Compactness centers around its dimensions—length of 6.250 in., dia. of 3.297 in. and weight, 4.5 lbs. A unique feature is the ac pickoff adjustment which can be made on the exterior of the gyro case. DC pickoffs are furnished in resistance ranges from 100K to 500K. AC pickoffs can be either synchro or two-phase resolver. American Gyro Corp., Santa Monica. (Ref. No. 12-49).

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GYRO

A new free gyro offers unusual ruggedness and insensibility to mounting and dynamic loads. Designated the Model 3416 Free Gyro, this instrument features a cast steel frame mounted solidly inside a structural outer shell having an integral CG mounting flange. Shock specification is 50g in all axes. Drift rate is less than 18 min. of arc/min., and the

potentiometer pickoffs which supply outputs up to 70 v. for telemetering and control operations have a linearity of $\pm 0.5\%$ and resolution of 0.09°. Available as a single unit or as a pair. G. M. Giannini & Co., Inc., Pasadena, (Ref. No. 12-51).

FIRE CONTROL

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bellows, which is supported in a manner that enables it to resist selfactuation up to 2000 cps at 10g. The GAB 1000 series switch is specifically designed for use in inert gas vacuums. Gorn Aircraft Controls Co., Stamford, Conn. (Ref. No. 12-72).

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CALIBRATOR

Comprises, with power supply and headphones, all the circuits necessary for the calibration of osc., receivers, and other wide-range devices up to frequencies above 1000 MC. It also

DEVIATION METER

A Frequency Deviation Meter, which will measure FM or AM modulation characteristics over a range of carrier frequencies from 20 to 600 MC, is available. The meter has the un-

provides square-wave markers for oscilloscope sweep-time calibration at intervals from 0.1 μ sec. to 100 μ sec. Features incorporated include harmonic series with fundamentals of 10, 1, 0.1, and 0.01 MC, a crystal mixer good from low frequencies to frequencies above 1000 MC, an amplifier for audible beats, and a video-frequency amplifier output for sweep-time calibrations. General Radio Co., Cambridge, Mass. (Ref. No. 12-35). usual capability of simultaneously indicating the incidental AM in an FM signal being measured and, conversely, the incidental FM in an AM signal. The range of indication for full scale frequency deviation is 0 to 10/30/60/150 KC. However, provisions are made for connecting external indicators to be used for measuring FM deviations as low as 40 cps. Federal Telephone and Radio Co., Clifton, N. J. (Ref. No. 12-36).

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OSCILLOGRAPH

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these knobs in basic "blocks of functions," all in sharp, contrasting colors. Other features are identical direct coupled high gain X- and Y-amplifiers and amplitude calibration. A. B. DuMont Laboratories, Inc., Clifton, N. J. (Ref. No. 12-74.)

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mum, is set by continuously variable coarse and fine controls. The output is monitored by a multirange combination voltmeter-milliammeter. On constant voltage, the output is 0-200 ma. and 0-500 v. Matthew Laboratories, Yonkers, N. Y. (Ref. No. 12-31).

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51B22002	51816220	TS101C01	.156	Ceramic	16
51B22004	51816759	TS101C02	6-32 tap	Ceramic	16

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Electronic Industries 1957 Transistor Specifications

Latest technical specifications on the 317 transistors now being commercially marketed. Grouping is by manufacturer and for the convenience of circuit designers the suggested areas of application are indicated under the headings: audio, push-pull audio output, power, r-f and switching and computers.

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Key to Chart Symbols: B-Amp.—used in push-pull class B amplifiers; Pwr.—used in high power audio output, servo, or power converter circuits: if-rf—262 KC and above; Sw.—switching, computer, and converter applications; and Gen.—not otherwise specified by the mfr.

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Maximum Power Dissipation-150 mw Maximum Collector Voltage-T-1025-25 v T-1159-10 v

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Latest Radio and Communication News, from The National Capital, and Previews of Things to Come

INVASION OF TV-Television interests are aroused over the proposal of four major land mobile radio communications user organizations for the use of the 25-60 megacycle frequency band, and particularly, the recommendation of the American Trucking Associations for the reallocation of television channel 2 for fixed scatter uses by mobile radio services. The trucking organization, stressing the overcrowded spectrum situation for mobile radio services, pointed out to the FCC that it had established a precedent for moving TV channel 2 service into UHF in its previous elimination of TV channel one for mobile radio occupancy. While not joining directly in the ATA proposal, the other major mobile radio user groups-petroleum, utilities and special industrial-urged the FCC to grant frequency space relief through scatter techniques and through splitchannel operation. The user groups contended the FCC should grant split-channel operation despite potential foreign interference.

PROMOTE TWO-WAY RADIO VALUE - Under the sponsorship of the Radio-Electronics-Television Manufacturers Association, a comprehensive program to promote greater public interest in the value of mobile radio communications to the nation's economy and the overall welfare of the public will be spearheaded in full scale early next year, it was authoritatively learned by ELECTRONIC INDUS-TRIES' Washington news bureau. The leading manufacturers of mobile radiocommunications equipment-General Electric, RCA, Motorola, Du Mont and Bendix-are actively and strongly supporting the RETMA program. One meeting to outline the campaign to the FCC Commissioners and top staff officials was held in Washington in late October between leading representatives of RETMA and the manufacturing companies. Another session of solely industry officials to make specific plans for the unified approach is slated to be staged in New York in December. The program is to stress that the nation and its economy can not function efficiently without "this modern communications device."

RADIO ASTRONOMY NEEDS—The FCC proposal to give interference protection to frequencies for radio astronomy has received strong support by research organizations and universities, banded into the Commission by Associated Universities Inc., but has precipitated concentrated opposition from the aviation radio interests, headed by Aeronautical Radio Inc. The National Science Foundation has allocated \$4 million for a national radio astronomy observatory at Green Bank, West Viriginia, and has entered into a five-year contract with Associated Universities for the establishment and operation of the observatory which will engage in research of radiation of energy from the planets, stars and galaxies and other information useful in radio propagation research. Six institutions, Carnegie of Washington, Cornell, Harvard, Naval Research Laboratory, Ohio State and Stanford-are engaged in radio astronomy and several other universities such as California Institute of Technology and Michigan are planning radio astronomy projects. Arinc is challenging the FCC proposal to have "quiet" frequencies for radio astronomical observations as harmful te aviation safety.

TAXI INDUSTRY LAUDED—FCC Commissioner Robert E. Lee recently commended the taxicab industry for their "high degree of channel usage" in the two-way mobile radio field. He pointed out that the taxicab industry with 5000 land stations and nearly 100,000 mobile units is using only four channels in the 152-162 megacycle band. The progress in channel usage in the taxicab industry is "unexcelled by other user industries" in mobile radio, he stated.

I.ONG - RANGE INTERFERENCE — Increasing reports of long-range interference to non-broadcast radio operations in this country, especially mobile radio services, from foreign radio stations have reached the FCC. The interference chiefly affects the use of frequencies below 50 megacycles, FCC engineering officials reported, The 11-year peak of the sunspot cycle which last December was forecast to be reached in the winter of 1957-58, it was cited, now appears to be likely at an earlier time.

COMMUNITY ANTENNA TV NOT FOR REGULA-TION—A community antenna television system is not subject to regulation like a telephone or telegraph company, the California Supreme Court recently ruled in reversing the state public utilities commission. This decision, unanimously ruled by California's highest tribunal, is precedent-making and is expected to stimulate the growth of community antenna television in other parts of the nation. It also is a guide post to the FCC in its actions in this TV service.

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Small Horn Antenna with Improved Area Ef-ficiency, by A. Knopf. "Nach. Z." Sept. 1956. The field distribution was measured and 3 pp. a small metal structure proved efficient in delaying the central radiation: this resulted in a doubling of the area efficiency of the antenna.

Distortion in Frequency-Modulation Systems Due to Small Sinusoidal Variations of Trans-G. F. Small. "Proc. IRE." Nov. 1956. 5 pp. A technique is reported for the evaluation of the distortion generated in FM systems by small sinusoidal ripples on either group delay or amplitude characteristics on the basis of distortion due to a single echo.

Microwaye Aerial Testing at Reduced Ranges, by D. K. Cheng. "Wirel. Eng." Oct. 1956. 4 Oct. 1956. 4 pp. It is a general practice to defocus the primary source along the principal axis of the reflector by a small distance so that Fraun-hofer patterns may be simulated in the Fresnel This article presents three different approaches with which the proper amount of defocus may be determined. Investigations of the Propagation in the 100 MC Band, by J. Grosskopf. "Nach. Z." Sept. MC Band, by J. Grosskopf. 1956. 4 pp. Signal strength observations over the paths Bielstein/Teutoburger Wald-Darmstadt (90.6 MC, distance 226 km) and Wrot-ham/London-Krefeld (93.5 MC, distance 430 km) have been made over a long period of time. This is an intermediate report.

Transosonde Monitors Inaccessible Areas, by H. D. Cubbage. "El." Nov. 1956. 2 pp. H. D. Cubbage. "El." Nov. 1956. 2 pp. Triple frequency transmission and multi-frequency antenna are main features.

Aerial Pattern Synthesis, by H. E. Salzer "Wirel. Eng." Oct. 1956. 5 pp. Although optimum patterns are obtained from the Dolph-Tschebyscheff distributions, the numerical work in determining the feeding coefficients mounts as the number of sources increases. This article indicates an entirely independent method of finding feeding coefficients, which uses only one very special case of a general formula due to Poisson, to obtain extremely sharp patterns for broadside arrays.

Low-Frequency Ground Waves, by G. E. Ash-well and C. S. Fowler. "Wirel. Eng." Oct. 1956. 6 pp. The equipment described was de-Oct. veloped to investigate the phase change with distance of a low-frequency wave passing over ground of finite conductivity and, in particular, the changes that occur near a boundary between grounds of different conductivities or across a coastline.

Change of Phase with Distance of a Low-Frequency Ground Wave Propagated Across a Coast-Line, by B. G. Pressey, G. E. Ashwell, and C. S. Fowler. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 8 pp. Observations of the change of phase with distance have been made on a frequency of 127.5 KC along a number of paths radiating from a transmitter and crossing the coast. The results confirm the existence of a phase-re-covery effect which, in accordance with theoretical considerations, should be experienced by a wave passing from low to high conductivity ground. Other phenomena related to geological boundaries are reported.

The Deviation of Low-Frequency Ground Waves at a Coast-Line, by B. G. Pressey and G. E. Ashwell. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 7 pp. After a consideration of the methods which have been suggested for computing the devia-tion of ground waves at a coast-line, the phenomenon is re-examined in the light of recent experimental and theoretical work on the phase disturbances at such a boundary.

The Propagation of a Radio Atmospheric, by C. M. Srivastava. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 4 pp. On the assumption that the space be-tween the earth and the ionosphere acts as a waveguide, the mechanism of propagation of an atmospheric disturbance (Lightning-origi-nated) is considered from the viewpoint of plane-wave reflections. The nature and frequency composition of the originating pulse is described.

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On the Deflection of VHF Waves, by G. Megla. "Hochfreq." July 1956. 20 pp. The effects of diffraction and refraction in the atmosphere and of additional antennas and mirrors on the deflection of short waves and an increase in their effective range are considered. Field strength measurements are reported for various set ups and conditions, and the practical possibilities are outlined.

On Affecting the Correlation Conditions in Space-Charge Waves, by H. W. Koenig. "Arc. El. Uber." August 1956. 4 pp. The correlation conditions between the current fluctuations of an electron beam and the kinetic potential can be described by the "correlation determinant." The conditions for an electron beam passing a linear four-terminal network are considered; coherence conditions are derived.

Wave Scattering and the Effects of Meteors on Short and Adjacent Ultra-Short Waves, by H. Wisbar. "Arc. El. Uber." August 1956. 9 pp. For frequencies more than 30 MC beyond the limit frequency for grazing incidence the only reflections of scatter waves are attributed to sporadic meteors. Effects of the turbulence of the ionosphere, of the very minute ionization due to meteoric dust, of steady, though weak, corpuscular radiation at the poles and magnetic equator are investigated.

The Prediction of Maximum Usable Frequencies for Radiocommunication Over a Transequatorial Path, by G. McK. Allcock. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 6 pp. Discrepancies in maximumusable-frequencies have led to attempts to predict on the basis of a transmission mechanism involving multiple geometrical reflections instead of the forward-scattering mechanism implied by the control-point method. Improved predictions are reported.

Methods for Raising the Effectiveness of Simple Broad-Band Antennas, by S. I. Nadenenko. "Radiotek." Aug. 1956. 6 pp. It is shown that the effectiveness of the widely used symmetrical broad-band dipole can be appreciably increased by using a plane reflector consisting of a wire grid which is parallel to the dipole and is mounted upon the same masts. A comparison between an antenna consisting of two broad-band dipoles with a grid reflector, and a rhombic antenna, shows that the engineering-economic figures of merit are higher for the former in the specified frequency band.

AUDIO

The Preamplifier "R.S.L. 12-25," the Amplifier "SymphonieII" and the Amplifier "Pansonic," by J. Brisset. "Toute R." Oct. 1956. 6 pp. Design details including circuit diagrams and component values for one preamplifier and two alternative amplifiers for phonographs are presented.

A Proposal for the Definition and Measurement of the Distinctness of Sounds on a Subjective Basis, by H. Niese. "Hochfreq." July 1956. 12 pp. The subjective effect of reflections arriving after the original sound wave is studied as a function of the time delay and of the relative amplitude of the reflected wave. The results obtained lead to an evaluation of the useful and disturbing contributions to the original sound wave. An instrument based on these results is suggested.

Audio Amplifier Delivers 3000 Watts, by A. B. Bereskin. "El." Nov. 1956. 2 pp. An audio amplifier for military air-to-ground applications is described. System uses two 4-1000A tubes operating class B₁.

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Attenuators with Mismatched Terminations, by J. Altshuler. "Wirel. Eng," Nov. 1956. 2 pp. A formula for the attenuation introduced by an attenuator under non-nominal conditions is developed.

Optimum RC Filters, by J. W. R. Griffiths. "Wirel. Eng." Nov. 1956. 3 pp. A method for separating sinusoidal signals from noise has been devised for use in the detection of a noise source, such as a radio star, by interferometer techniques.

Quality Control in Electronics, by M. N. Torrey. "Proc. IRE." Nov. 1956. 10 pp. This article is a review of two types of literature on quality control: descriptions of quality control and the role of statistics, and published examples of the use of quality control and statistical techniques in the electronics industry.

Synchronizing Low Frequency Pulses with a High Frequency Free-Running Time-Base, by M. V. L. Bennett. "El. Eng." Nov. 1956. 8 pp. A gating circuit is described which allows a pulsing unit driven by a low frequency oscillator to be synchronized with a high frequency free-running time-base. The device is particularly useful in electrophysiological applications where a stimulus may be applied only at intervals very long compared to response time. A new type of bistable trigger is included in the circuit.

A Wide Band Differential Amplifier of Unity Gain, by J. C. S. Richards. "El. Eng." Nov. 1956. 3 pp. The instrument described is designed to convert an input from a source neither terminal of which is grounded to a single-ended output. Rejection ratio is greater than 500 and gain, stabilized, is $1 \pm 5\%$ from 5 CPS to 500 KC.

Frequency Control in the 300-1200 MC Region, by D. W. Fraser and E. G. Holmes. "Proc. IRE." Nov. 1956. 11 pp. Main points of interest in this paper concern the improvement of frequency stability of a coaxial-cavity oscillator by means of a small capacitor in series with the frequency-controlling device, and a tunable compensated coaxial cavity.

A High-Voltage Pulse Generator and Tests on an Improved Deflecting System of a Cold-Cathode Oscillograph, by H. N. Cones. "NBS J." Sept. 1956. 10 pp. An improved deflecting system for a cold-cathode oscillograph is described. This deflecting system reduces transit-time errors and eliminates errors due to impedance mismatch between the signal coaxial cable and the deflector. A high-voltage pulse generator for producing single pulses in the millimicrosecond range and its use in testing the deflecting system is explained.

Precision Electronic Switching with Feedback Amplifiers, by C. M. Edwards. "Proc. IRE." Nov. 1956. 8 pp. In an attempt to minimize the differences and nonlinearities in the electronic elements used to switch transmission paths, switches utilizing a high gain feedback amplifier are used.

Design Techniques Using Conductance Curves, by K. A. Pullen, Jr. "El. Des." Oct. 1, 1956. 4 pp. Design of the pentode degenerative amplifier and cathode follower is discussed, with examples. Modern Synthesis Network Design From Tablee —III, by L. Weinberg. "El. Des." Oct. 15, 1956. Tables are presented giving the element values for the normalized low-pass network with Butterworth, Tschebyscheff, or Bessel-polynomial characteristics.

Designing Deflection Systems Around Available Tubes, by W. F. Massey. "El. Des." Oct. 15. 1956. The article discusses the various factors that tubes impose on design of TV receivers and gives some suggestions for satisfactory circuit development.

By-Pass Filters, by R. O. Rowlands. "Wirel. Eng." Oct. 1956. 3 pp. By-pass filters are described having three pairs of terminals, all frequencies are passed, without distortion, between two of the pairs, but only a limited band of frequencies is transmitted between either of these pairs and the third pair of terminals.

An Analysis of Pulse-Synchronized Oscillators, by Gaston Salmet. "Proc. IRE." Nov. 1966. 13 pp. An "Impulse Governed Oscillator" system using a variable oscillator, frequency synchronized on pulse harmonics issued by a quartz oscillator is described. The author gives a mathematical analysis of the system together with its circuits. Chief difficulties met in its design, and the remedies, are examined.

Progress of Synthesis between the Mechanical and Electronic Art, by M. Ponte. "Onde." July 1956. 7 pp. The contribution of the concepts and theory developed in connection with electronics, such as the theory of non-linear circuits, to mechanics is pointed out. Historically a mechanical stage, an electronic stage and a combined mechanical-electronic stage overlapping with an atomic stage may be distinguished.

Simple Apparatus for the Study of Coupled Resonant Circuits, by Ch. Guilbert. "Toute R." Oct. 1956. 3 pp. A tunable master oscillator is followed by an output stage operating as a frequency doubler to prevent undesirable effects on the oscillator. A voltmeter is also described.

Charbonnier's Oscillator, by P. Ramain. "Toute R." Oct. 1956. 2 pp. Starting from the double-triode, resistance-capacitance coupled multivibrator, a multivibrator generating a series of pulses of predetermined pulse-length and adjustable recurrence frequency is derived. Detailed circuit diagrams including component values and performance data are included.

The Effect Upon Pulse Response of Delay Variation at Low and Middle Frequencies: with Special Application to Vestigial-Sideband Systems, by M. V. Callendar. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 4 pp. Calculations are given for the magnitude and form of the distortion introduced into a square wave by a network or system which exhibits uniform transmission except for increasing (or decreasing) phase delay in the low-mid-frequency region.

Three New Transistor Circuits, by N. Hekimian. "El." Nov. 1956. 4 pp. A transistorized flip-flop with temperature stabilization and improved high-frequency operation is described. with a tone keyer and an a-f meter.

Reliability of Military Electronic Equipment. by Lewis M. Clement. "J BIRE." Sept. 1956. 8 pp. Reliability is defined and steps for ensuring the design and production of reliable equipment are described.

DC Amplifiers with Photo Compensation, by B. A. Seliber, S. G. Rabinovich. "Avto. i Tel." Aug. 1956. 18 pp. The theory of photocompensated amplifiers is examined. Basic circuit variants are given. The paper also investigates the errors which arise in the amplifiers and the methods for eliminating these errors. The operation of photoelements is analyzed, and recommendations are given with respect to their types and operating regimes.

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Frequency Multiplication and Division of Unmodulated and Modulated Waves, by I. T. Tur-bovich. "Radiotek." Aug. 1956. 11 pp. The paper examines the processes which go on during the frequency multiplication and division of both unmodulated waves and waves which are amplitude or phase modulated. Certain ideas are presented concerning a narrow-band system for the transmission of speech which is realized with the aid of frequency dividers.

On the Variation of the Noise Power Spectrum in Electron Beams, by H. Poetzl. "Arc. El. Uber." Sept. 1956. 7 pp. The transformation equations given by Haus for the interdependence of the noise power spectra at two spaced points in an electron beam are developed in matrix notation. A simple transformation equation is then derived from the determinant of correlation, which equation leads to performance figures.

Contribution to the Theory of Nonlinearities, by E. Henze. "Arc. El. Uber." August 1956. by E. Henze. "Arc. El. Uber." August 1956. 13 pp. Tube characteristics are investigated on a large scale and particular attention is given to heterodyning effects. Cross-modula-tion and resulting whistling is studied as a function of the i-f amplitude and on the operating point on the tube characteristic. An extensive mathematical treatment of these problems is presented.

The Partial Equivalence of Two-Terminal Networks, by K. E R. Weber. "Hochfreq." July 1956, 4 pp. In equivalent two-terminal networks, the complex impedance is identical over the total frequency range from zero to infinity for specified values of the circuit components. This partial equivalence occurs only for circuits including all three types of components and each having at least four components. An example is discussed in detail.

The H. F. Power-Application of the Theory to a Mixer with Known Non-Linear Characteristic. "Freq." Sept. 1956. 3 pp. The expression of the current in a mixer diode with arbitrary characteristic expressed as a power series is multiplied with the applied voltage and the result evaluated. A series of curves and a table for easy evaluation in a practical instance is included.

Regulated Transistor Power Supply Design, by J. W. Keller, Jr. "El." Nov. 1956. 4 pp. The theory of series and shunt regulator design is explored.

Mechanics and Electronics in the Modern Evolution of Non Linear Mechanics, by N. Minorsky. "Onde." July 1956. 8 pp. Non linear oscillations are common to electronic and to mechanical circuits and thus their theory is of interest to both electronic and mechanical engineers. The joint studies con-cerned with this subject are briefly outlined.

A Method of Multivibrator Timing Stabilisa-tion, by B. R. Johnson. "AWA Tech. Rev." July 1956. 8 pp. The possibilities of improving the timing accuracy and stability of a mono-stable multivibrator by adding a sinusoidal voltage to its exponential timing waveform are discussed. A multivibrator stabilized by this method and having a warm-up drift of less than 0.1 μ sec in a total delay of 30 μ sec compared with a drift of 1.3 μ sec in an unstabilized multivibrator is described

The Dual-Input Describing Function and Its Use in the Analysis of Non-Linear Feedback Systems, by J. C. West, J. L. Doues, and R. K. Livesley. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 12 Douce, and pp. A new method is presented for the frequency-response analysis of non-linear elements. This involves evaluating the gain of one of the frequency components in passing through the non-linear element when the input to the element consists of two sinusoidal waves of differing amplitudes, phases, and frequencies. A cubic characteristic is analysed fully as an example.

Approximate Theory of Magnetically Modulated Detectors, by M. D. Ageev. "Avto. i Tel." Aug. 1956. 13 pp. The paper theoretically in-vestigates magnetically modulated detectors which have no initial magnetization.

Calculation of Parasitic Capacitances When Mounting Printed-Circuit Radio Equipment, by L. M. Kononovich. "Radiotek." Aug. 1956. 7 The paper develops a method for calpp. culating the intrinsic capacitances of printed conductors.

A Transitron Oscillator as a Feedback Device, by A. A. Kulikovsky. "Radiotek." Aug. 1956. by A. A. Kulikovsky. "Radiotek." Aug. 1956. 3 pp. The basic characteristic of a pentode (or pentagrid) in the transitron regime is a curve depicting the dependency of the No. 2 grid current upon the No. 3 grid voltage. When the plate voltage is lowered, this characteristic has a drooping sector which is util-ized in transitron circuits. On the basis of the usual assumptions, an equivalent circuit for such a tube is derived. The resulting equivalent circuit is an active fourpole of conductances connected to a current generator. On the basis of this circuit, it is shown that a "transitron" tube can be used in various circuits in a manner similar to an ordinary tube.

Basic Magnetic Switching Circuits, by Robert W. Durkee. "El. Mfg." Oct. 1956. 5 pp. A basic discussion of the principles of magnetic switches is presented.

Theory and Design of a Magnetic Modulator Which Operates According to the Frequency-Doubler Principle, by M. A. Rozenblat. "Radio-tek." Aug. 1956. 16 pp. The operation of the modulator is examined in both the load and no-load regimes.

Neutralization of Selective Transistor Ampliflers, by G. Meyer-Broetz. "Arc. El. Uber." Sept. 1956. 7 pp. A survey of neutralization circuits leads to a selection of circuits suitable for transistors on the basis of simplicity, frequency dependence, and operating point.

Staggered Low-Pass Amplifiers with High Cut-Off Frequency, by G. Mahler. "Freq." Sept. 1956. 8 pp. The maximum product of band-width times amplification factor for a prescribed frequency characteristic is determined and methods for its realization are investigated.

The Astable Cathode-Coupled Multivibrator, by B. R. Johnson. "AWA Tech. Rev." July 1956.
9 pp. The operation of the cathode-coupled astable multivibrator is analyzed and expres-sions derived which enable calculation of its period and its various waveforms. Timing stability and some applications of the multivibrator are discussed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Transmitting System Uses Delta Modulation, by T. B. Watson and O. K. Hudson. "El." Oct. 1956. 3 pp. Similar in many respects to any pulse-coded modulation system, the delta modulation system offers simplified encoding and decoding. Possible application as a modification to radar equipment to provide communication channels is suggested.

A General-Purpose Communication Receiver, by J. B. Rudd and J. B. Stacy. "AWA Tech. Rev." July 1956, 22 pp. Originally designed to meet the marine receiver specification set out in the Merchant Shipping (Radio) Rules, 1952, this receiver is a 14 tube superheterodyne for the reception of CW. MCW, and Telephony in the range 12 to 60 KC and 100 KC to 30 MC. The bandwidth is adjustable between 500 and 8,000 cps in four steps.

A Sideband-Mixing Superheterodyne Receiver, by M. Cohn and W. C. King. "Proc. IRE." Nov. 1956, 5 pp. An alternative to the traveling-wave tube approach to wide bandwidth microwave receivers is the sideband mixing system which achieves comparable sensitivity and bandwidth by means of an unconventional connection of conventional components. R-F bandwidths of 700 MC and sensitivities in excess of -70 dbm seem reasonable with well-designed 50 MC i-f amplifiers.

New 6- and 8-channel Carrier Telephone Systems for Open-Wire Lines, by H. J. B. Nevitt and P. H. Odland. "Eric. Rev." #2, 1956. 6 pp. A short description of the construction and applications of L. M. Ericsson carrier frequency equipment is given.

Generation of Harmonics by the 50 cycle Electric Locomotive, by M. F. Nouvion, M. M. Tessier, M. M. Demontvignier, M. J. Augier, M. L. Leroy, and M. Ch. Caussin. "Bul. Fr. El." August 1956. 66 pp. The six related articles deal with the analysis of the harmonic waves generated by a single-phase locomotive using rectifiers, the disturbances introduced into telephone, radio and television circuits as well as into the power supply, and circuits and coupling methods to reduce such harmonics. Extensive experimental material is supplied.

Pulse Techniques with Particular Reference to Line and Radio Communication, by E. M. Deloraine. "J IT&T." Sept. 1956. 12 pp. An historical and technical outline of the development of pulse and multiplexing techniques is presented. The conflicting requirements of pulse and speech transmission in telephony are emphasized.

AN/TRC-24 Transmitter-RF Power Stages, by E. L. LeBright and P. H. Bearer. "Bell Rec." Oct. 1956. 4 pp. Simplified tuning over the range of 100 to 400 MC is a feature of the military radio transmitter described by the authors. Principal feature of the article is the description, drawings, and pictures of the tuning unit.

Discovery May Triple UHF-VHF Range, by P. J. Klass. "Av. Wk." Nov. 5, 1956. 4 pp. Experimental work in ground-air communica-tions by means of tropospheric scatter phenomena is summarized and explained.

Transistorized Receiver for Mobile F-M, by A. M. Booth. "El." Nov. 1956. 4 pp. The complete receiver described has been transistorized with the exception of the r-f tuner.

Interference Rejection and Effectiveness Wirephoto Radio-Communication When Fluctu-ating Interference Is Present, by A. G. Ziuko. "Radiotek." Aug. 1956. 11 pp. The paper determines the potential interference stability and communication effectiveness of modulation systems which are utilized for the radio transmission of phototelegraphic signals. A com-parative evaluation is made of these systems with regard to their interference rejection and effectiveness when fluctuating intereference is present.

Asymmetry in the Performance of High-Frequency Radiotelegraph Circuits, by A. M. Humby and C. M. Minnis. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 6 pp. Evidence is produced which tends to show that circuit asymmetry is sometimes due to the decrease in the signal/noise ratio in one direction which can occur when a dis-tant thunderstorm area, lying in the direction of the main beam of the receiving aerial, reaches its diurnal activity maximum.

Experimental Investigation of the Distribution Law for the Duration of the Deflections of Fluctuations, by V. I. Tikhonov. "Radiotek." Aug. 1956. 5 pp. The paper describes a method of experimentally determining the density of the probability distribution for the duration of the deflections and the intervals between deflections of electrical fluctuations at various levels.

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On the Reduction of Noise in Communication Lines Affected by Strong External Electromagnetic Fields, by E. Widl. "Arc. El. Uber." Sept. 1956. 15 pp. Not only the voltage but also the current distribution of the disturbing current is taken into consideration in the development of a balancing method to reduce interference from power lines. A two-step method involving first equalization of the capacitive unbalances and second a transposing equalization is introduced. The results of experimental evaluation of the two steps of this method and their combination are included.

Multichannel Transmission with Amplitude-Multiplex Systems, by K.⁶ Radius. "Nach. Z." Sept., 1956. 4 pp. This system is particularly indicated if the dynamic range of the transmission channel is considerably larger than range of the signal. A plurality of zero and unit pulse series can be simultaneously transmitted by a signal pulse series having a number of step amplitudes corresponding to the number of different possible additive pulses. A two-channel transmission system has been tested; results are reported.

Carrier Telephone Expands Rural Service, by J. E. Macdowell and H. J. B. Nevitt. "El." Oct. 1956. 3 pp. The complete carrier telephone equipment described makes possible up to 60 subscriber circuits on one pair of wires. Block diagrams and schematics of key portions are included.

Transistorized Receiver for Vehicular Radio, by S. Schwartz. "El." Oct. 1956. 3 pp. Twentyone transistors and ten diodes are used to replace the twenty-five vacuum tubes originally used in this military receiver. All portions are transistorized with the exception of the r-f stage.

On the Space-Diversity-Receiving Method with Antenna Selection, by W. Kronjaeger, B. Lenhart, and K. Vogt. "Nach. Z." Sept. 1956. 7 pp. In high frequency transmission, the selection of either of two spaced antennas may considerably increase the level of the received signal. A switch for this selection, controlled by the received signal, is suggested. It is concluded that under specified conditions this system is equivalent to the two-receiver system which requires the provision of an additional receiver.

Subcarrier Switch for Microwave Party Line, by B. Harris, "El." Nov. 1956. 3 pp. An improvement on push-to-talk or voice controlled 'party line' systems is described. The controlled carrier system described cuts off the station carrier when the incoming audio level exceeds the audio of the station. Break-in is accomplished simply by raising your voice to exceed the incoming audio level.

COMPONENTS

Design Data on Fixed Glass Capacitors, by J. G. Lanning. "El. Eq." Nov. 1956. 2 pp. A general discussion of the design of capacitors made of ribbon glass.

Industrial Thermistor Applications, by Robert S. Goodyear. "El. Mfg." Oct. 1956. 7 pp. The author gives a summary of the present state of thermistor art. Typical characteristics are discussed, and common circuits explained.

Tantalum Capacitors Use Solid Electrolyte, by D. A. McLean. "El." Oct. 1956. 2 pp. In place of an aqueous electrolyte, with its attendant sealing and congealing or freezing problems, the tantalum capacitor described uses a solid semi-conductor. Structure and characteristics are discussed. Ceramic Condensers in Fluorescent Lamp Starters, by R. E. Perkins. "Syl. Tech." Oct. 1956. 2 pp. Failings of customarily used waxed paper condensers in fluorescent lamp starters are cited in presenting ceramic condensers for this use.

Damage to Lead Sheathing Caused by Beetle Larvae. by K. Lapkamp and D. Magnus. "Nach. Z.*" Sept. 1956. 6 pp. Beetle larvae have caused considerable damage to the lead sheathing of telecommunication cables at various places of the Federal German Republic. An extensive investigation of these pests is reported in detail, and protecting measures are suggested.

Silicon Rectifier Operates to 300°C, by R. W. Hull. "El. Eq." Oct. 1956. 2 pp. Reviews development and present potentialities of silicon rectifying devices.

Hot-Molding: Key to Resistor Reliability, by A. C. Pfister. "El. Eq." Oct. 1956. 2 pp. Construction and performance of two types of resistor are discussed—with particular emphasis on factors affecting reliability.

COMPUTERS

Reading and Writing Defined, by A. Blundi. "El. Ind." Dec. 1956. 1 p. A plain-language description of magnetic drum read-write techniques, components, and technical terms is presented.

Locating "Open Heaters" In Computer Circuitry, by Ronald L. Ives. "El. Ind." Dec. 1956. 2 pp. Circuitry is described for the high speed inspection of tube filaments in computers. The circuitry described can indicate continuity of large banks in a matter of seconds.

Number Systems for Computers, by I. J. Gabelman. "El. Ind." Dec. 1956. 2 pp. Among the number systems used in modern electronic digital computers are the decimal. binary, octal, hi-quinary, coded-decimal, and excess three. The author describes these number systems and their associated arithmetic operations.

The Design of Cold-Cathode Valve Circuits, Part 2, by J. E. Flood and J. B. Warman. "El. Eng." Nov. 1956. 5 pp. Computer circuit design is discussed and sample circuits shown.

Computers, Analog and Digital, by A. Boggs. "Tech. Rev." Oct. 1956. 6 pp. The author explores some of the implications of the descriptive terms "digital" and "analog."

Operation of Electronic Brain Computers With Telegraph Circuits, by J. H. Toop. "Tech. Rev." Oct. 1956. 11 p.p. A description is given of the FERUT electronic computer at University of Toronto and the use of this computer to solve problems transmitted over 1700 miles of telegraph circuits.

Transistor-Magnetic Analog Multiplier, by G. L. Keister, "El." Oct. 1956. 4 pp. Simplified multiplication for airborne control computers is offered by the system described. The customary servo-driven potentiometer is replaced by a four-quadrant voltage multiplier using only magnetic cores and transistor switches, with attendant reduction of size, power consumption, and supply voltage requirements.

Bandwidth-Rise Time Chart, by M. D. Prince. "El." Nov. 1956. 1 pp. The chart solves graphically the approximate empirical formula: (Rise Time) \times (Bandwidth) = 0.35, and the equation: Overall rise time == (Rise time per stage) \times VNumber of stages. A New Technique for Classification and Selection of Documents, by J. Samain. "Onde." July 1956. 5 pp. The information to be stored is recorded on a micro-film and provided with a code. An electronic selector will at any desired time sort these microfilms according to any code.

Application Of Semiconductor Diodes In The Circuits Of Nonlinear Units In Electro-Simulating Devices, by G. M. Petrov. "Avto. i Tel." Aug. 1956. 10 pp. The paper discusses the use of germanium diodes in the basic nonlinear units which accomplish the operations of multiplying two quantities and reproducing functions of one variable by the linear-segment approximation method in electrical simulators. The application of such diodes in the supply circuits of these devices is also discussed.

A Junction-Transistor Scaling Circuit With 2 Microsec Resolution, by G. B. B. Chaplin and A. R. Owens. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 6 vp. The basic binary scaling circuit described in this article overcomes the limiting speed of transistor circuits by eliminating capacitors, a differentiating transformer being used instead for coupling. In this way the speed of the circuit depends only on transistor characteristics. With currently-available low-frequency junction transistors the circuit is capable of reliably resolving 2 µsec. The basic binary scaler is readily adapted to the formation of a scaleof-5 circuit using three binary stages. The circuits have wide tolerances and are insensitive to transistor variations. A complete scale-of-ten circuit would use eight transistors, ten diodes, and five transformers.

Photoelectric Analog Function Generator. by R. A. Sinker. "El." Oct. 1956. 4 pp. In this generator, a gray-scale standard deflection feedback loop and an intensity servo feedback loop are utilized to eliminate unsatisfactory variations in photographic, lighting, and optical conditions.

A Point-Contact Transistor Scaling Circuit with 0.4 Microsec. Fesolution, by G. B. B. Chaplin. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956.5 pp. This article describes some scaling circuits using transistors which will resolve 0.4 μ sec and hence count at a maximum rate of 2.5 MC. The transistors are the normal point-contact type, and the circuits are simple, they have wide tolerances and are economical in power consumption. Features which contribute to the short resolving time are the prevention of bottoming of collector potential and the absence of capacitors. A typical scale-of-10 circuit uses seven transistors, seven pulse transformers, and 14 crystal diodes.

CONTROLS

Comnarative Analysis of Several Improved Methods of Two-Position Control. by A. A. Kampe-Nemm. "Avto. i Tel." Aug. 1956. 19 pp. The paper examines improved methods of twoposition control of temperature and of other parameters: these methods permit more accurate control. A graphical-analytical and an experimental investigation of these methods are given, and the methods are comparatively evaluated.

Four Steps to Machine Tool Control, by W. M. Brittain. "Auto. Con." Oct. 1956. 4 pp. The author reports the results of a study preceding the design of an automatic tool. The study involves an analysis of desired objectives, available input media, the tool itself, and possible components for the automatic system. A comparison is made of the cost of digital and analog control, and problems of backlash error are discussed.

Relationships between Automation and Electronics, by F. H. Raymond. "Onde." July 1956. 5 pp. The paper deals with the concept of information and with the engineering aspects of transmitting such information in general terms.

Economic Considerations on Automation, by D. P. Campbell. "Onde." July 1956. 4 19. Industrial control and office work are considered as fields for automatization. It is concluded that for work that is difficult to perform without errors, automatization is indicated; this is particularly stressed in the case of office work.

Track Circuits, Automatic Apparatus on the Railway, by J. Walter. "Onde." July 1956. 11 pp. Circuits indicating the presence or absence of trains are connected to the rail section concerned in the automatic block system. Installation and maintainance cost has been reduced by the S.N.C.F. by electronic apparatus for this purpose. It is pointed out that remote control of trains according to a program is feasible.

Lamouilly Railway Station; A Prototype "Press-Button" Center Featuring Complete Electronic Track Control Circuitry, by M. Duboudin and M. Trogneux. "Onde." July 1966. 12 pp. The system operates on 25 kv at 50 cps. The equipment used in the small electric station has been designed for general economy and reliability of the signalling system.

An Application of Automation in the Cahle and Wire Control of Rubber-Insulated Cahle Diameter, by M. Gleitz. "Onde." July 1956. 5 pp. The deviation from the specified wire diameter is converted into a voltage which controls the rubber-feed mechanism by means of a speed-variation gear control. The results are satisfactory but improvements are indicated.

Electronic Control and Servomechanisms, by R. Larguier. "Onde." July 1956. 11 pp. The cooperation of mechanical and electronic methods is stressed, electronics supplying high flexibility of operation and a large field of applications, while mechanics is held responsible for high accuracy and excellent automation.

Feedback Control Systems Containing Digital Computers, by Ia. Z. Tsypkin. "Avto. i Tel." Aug. 1956. 15 pp. The paper examines the special features of a digital computer unit functioning as an element of a feedback control system. Feedback control systems containing digital computer units are classified. On the basis of pulse control theory, certain dynamic properties of such systems are clarified. Examples of the improvement in the Guality of processes when digital computer units are introduced are cited.

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Test Control Circuitry Automatically, by A. Borck. "Auto. Con." Oct. 1956. 4 pp. An automatic testing device is described for complex control gear. Automatic programming and digital print-out are featured.

Two-Reactor Circuit For Reversible Control By Means Of A Two-Phase Induction Motor, by O. I. Aven, S. M. Domanitsky, A. Ia. Lerner. "Avto. i Tel." Aug. 1956. 5 pp. The paper examines a circuit which uses two saturable reactors (single-contact magnetic amplifiers) in order to achieve reversible control by means of a two-phase induction motor. It is shown that this circuit may be utilized for the contactless control of the drive of actuating mechanisms in feedback control systems. The proposed circuit is compared to a circuit which utilizes push-pull magnetic amplifiers. Results are cited from the experimental investigation of a mockup of the drive.

Square-Wave Electromagnetic Flowmeter Design, by A. B. Denison and M. P. Spencer. "Rev. Sci. Inst." Sept. 1956. 5 pp. This article considers the objectives that should be considered in the design and construction of practical equipment using the square-wave Principle for electromagnetic flow recording. Block diagrams and circuitry are included.

Narrowing Of The Signal Spectrum When Telemetering Radioactive Radiation, by V. M. Mikhailovsky, A. N. Svenson. "Avto. i Tel." Aug. 1956. 6 pp. The paper proposes and analyzes a method for narrowing the spectrum in units which are used for telemetering radioactive radiation. An example is given in which the circuit elements required for the distribution converter are derived.

The Contribution of Electronics to Instrumentation, by J, Avril. "Onde." July 1956. 3 pp. In instrumentation, a mechanical or other quantity is converted by means of a transducer or other device into an electrical quantity representative thereof and then electronically measured. The technological and mechanical difficulties encountered are set forth, and the unwarranted use of electronic in some instances is pointed out. Quantity production of simple standard instruments is recommended.

Beta Gage Controls Cigarette Machine, by E. Harrison, Jr. "El." Nov. 1956. 4 pp. The author presents a discussion of the servo system that is used to monitor and control variables in the production of uniform weight cigarettes.

Transistors and Diodes Stabilize A-C Servos, by R. Gittleman. "El." Oct. 1956. 2 pp. A transistorized automatic gain control circuit can be used to stabilize the gain of a servo amplifier over a wide range of control voltage and ambient temperature. Technique described uses a shunt-feedback amplifier with a nonlinear element placed in the feedback loop, the small signal resistance of which is made to vary inversely with control voltage.

Electronic Ignition for Internal Combustion Engines, "Toute R." Oct. 1956. 1 p. It is reported that Mr. Guiot suggested a fixed frequency transistor oscillator (of the order of between 20 and 50 KC) to replace the conventional coil and feed the spark plugs through a distributor as usual. A distributor-driven alternator may, for instance, supply a control signal which is squared and used to intermittently block the oscillator.

Scanning Electrometer for Electron Microscopy, by G. F. Bahr, L. Carlsson, and G. Lomakka. "Rev. Sci. Inst." Sept. 1956. 2 pp. A scanning electrometer device designed for direct measurements of electron intensities in the image plane of the RCA electron microscope is described. Linear resolution of 0.06 to 0.92 μ is achieved.

MATERIALS

Nickel-Chromium-Aluminium-Copper Resistance Wire, by A. H. M. Arnold. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 9 pp. A review is given of the principal materials used for the construction of resistance standards. The difficulty of producing manganin and constantan commercially with the requisite small value of temperature coefficient at room temperature is compared with production of a nickel, chromium, aluminum, and copper alloy known commercially as Evanohm. High resistivity and favorable resistance/temperature characteristic are cited. Unique Phosphors That Amplify Light, by D. A. Cusano and F. E. Williams. "GE Rev." Sept. 1956. 5 pp. Luminescence of Crystalline Solids and solid-state light amplification are discussed, with the mechanism of light amplification. Various suitable phosphors and methods of deposition are described.

The Flowsolder Method of Soldering Printed Circuits, by R. Strauss and A. F. C. Barnes. "El. Eng." Nov. 1956. 3 pp. Substantial advantages are claimed for a soldering method which passes the surface to be soldered through the crest of a mechanically induced stationary wave in the tank of molten solder. Freedom from faulty joints or bridging is stressed

Frequency-Temperature-Angle Characteristics of AT-Type Resonators Made of Natural and Synthetic Quartz, by R. Bechmann. "Proc. IRE." Nov. 1956. 8 pp. A shift of the optimum angle of orientation by a few minutes of arc, observed in several laboratories, and a slight change of the frequency-temperature function are reported; and natural and synthetic quartz characteristics discussed.

How to Evaluate Screen Phosphora, by J. Bramley. "El. Des." Oct. 15, 1956. 3 pp. Several phosphors are described and compared, with notes on selection criteria.

Mechanical Properties of Silicone Resins, by J. R. McLoughlin. "Insul." Nov. 1956. 4 pp. Developments to date in silicone resins are outlined.

Magnetic Head has Megacycle Range, by O. Kornei. "El." Nov. 1956. 3 pp. Ferrites are used for core materials in high frequency recording heads. Other materials used to produce high frequency heads are discussed, with results of performance tests and head life considerations.

MEASURING & TESTING

Errors in Bridge Measurements, by C. G. Mayo, and J. W. Head. "Wirel. Eng." Nov. 1956. 4 pp. Three errors are discussed: a ratio error, an error impedance in series with the standard, and an error admittance in parallel with the unknown.

Microwave Determinations of the Velocity of "Light," by K. D. Froome. "J BIRE." Sept. 1956. 16 pp. A description is given of methods utilizing microwaves for the purpose of measuring the free-space vacuum velocity of electromagnetic waves. The cavity resonator and the microwave interferometer methods are discussed in detail: brief mention is made of the molecular band spectrum method. The values obtained from these methods are compared with optical values.

Argonne 256-Channel Pulse-Height Analyzer, by Robert W. Schumann and James P. Mc-Mahon. "Rev. Sci. Inst." Sept. 1956. 11 pp. The 256-channel pulse-height analyzer using a magnetic core memory now in use at the Argonne National Laboratory uses a form of the Wilkinson method of generating numbers in response to input pulses. These numbers are proportional to the amplitudes of the input pulses, and correspond to the channel numbers into which the individual counts are to be recorded. The advantages of this system and significant circuitry are discussed.

Magnetic-Switch B-H Loop Tracer, by W. Geyger. "El." Oct. 1956. 3 pp. A device is described for tracing dynamic hysteresis loops of magnetic materials up to 20,000 cps. Silicon junction diode chopper circuits are used—no electron tubes are used.

The Calibration of Inductance Standards at Radio Frequencies, by L. Hartshorn, and J. J. Denton. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 10 pp. The precise relation between the familiar equivalent network for a coil and the basic definitions is indicated, and practical details are given for the resonance method of measurement that has been adopted as standard practice for all work of this kind at the National Physical Laboratory. It is successfully operated at all frequencies from the audio range, where it overlaps the bridge methods to values little short of those of self-resonance of the coils.

Dielectric Testing in the Service of the Development of Circuit Components, by P. Henninger, G. Kremmling, and H. Eisenlohr. "Freq." Sept. 1956. 6 pp. This continuation of a previous article considers the organic dielectric with dipole polarization and discusses some pertinent problems of the properties of solids.

The Power Developed by a Series of Rectangular Pulses in a Lossy Capacitor, by H. Eisenlohr. "Freq." Sept. 1956. 2 pp. The power dissipated or converted into heat of a lossless capacitor in series with a pure resistance is computed for the case of a series of rectangular pulses. This model is equivalent to a capacitor having losses due to dipole relaxation with only one relaxation constant.

Measurements of Wave Resistance of Homogeneous Lines by Means of the Electrolytic Trough, by H. O. Koch. "Freq." Sept. 1956. 7 pp. A section of the two-wire line is immersed in an electrolyte. The resistance measured between the two wires is proportional to the wave resistance. The method is described In detail and the possible errors investigated.

Theory and Engineering Information on a Setup for Frequency Measurements of Great Accuracy, by G. Becker. "Arc. El. Uber." August 1956. 11 pp. A general study on accuracy attainable in frequency comparison measurements is followed by a description of the experimental circuitry. A circuit diagram including component values is included. A maximum error of 10 9 for a measuring time of 100 sec was obtained between 15 KC and 15 MC, while it did not exceed an average of $1.4x10^{-11}$ at 100 KC.

The Use of Electronic Apparatus for the Study of Rapidly Varying Pressures, by L. Soukiassian. "Onde." July 1956. 10 pp. To trace the indicator diagram of internal combustion reciprocating engines, the horizontal sweep is synchronized with the engine, and the vertical deflection is proportional to the balancing pressure, produced by an electropneumatic circuit. A pick-up with a balanced diagram is incorporated and the making and breaking of the diagram and the associated electrode is indicated by a spot on the screen.

Electronic Program Control Arrangement for Test Benches, by F. D. Dayonnet and J. Illien. "Onde." July 1956. 16 pp. A particular program to test car engines on test benches has been developed. Care has been taken to subject the engines to conditions simulating actual operating conditions. The predetermined but variable program is automatically followed; it is inserted by a special curve for each parameter. Methods for recording the various parameters in cars during operation are also included.

Electronic Apparatus for Tests and Research on Carbo-Hydrates. by F. Kermarrec, L. Soukiassian. and J. Weissmann. "Onde." July 1956. 11 pp. Electronic apparatus for the investigation of fuel carbo-hydrates on test benches as well as in cars are described. The relative intensity of pre-ignition on singlecylinder engines is measured on the test bench. Engine speed and advance of ignition giving a constant degree of pre-ignition during acceleration of a vehicle is measured on the road. Phase Generator for Tropospheric Research, by R. W. Hubbard and M. C. Thompson, Jr. "El." Oct. 1956. 4 pp. As an aid to research in tropospheric radio propagation, a laboratory standard for phase-displaced signals is indicated. Such an instrument is described by the authors.

Stark Modulation Atomic Clock, by 1. Takahaski, T. Ogawa, M. Yamano, A. Hirai, and M. Takeyama. "Rev. Sci. Inst." Sept. 1956. 7 pp. An atomic clock utilizing the Stark effect has been designed and constructed. Explanation is given of the methods used to reduce the error caused by the reflections in the microwave circuits to within the error by random noises. Various components of the clock are described in detail, and theoretical limits of accuracy discussed.

Surge Voltage Breakdown of Air in a Nonuniform Field. "NBS Bull." Sept. 1956. 3 pp. Difference between the mechanism of breakdown in uniform and non-uniform fields is verified by experimental results presented in this report. It is demonstrated that nonuniform field discharge streamers (corona) are initiated by a sudden current rise, quickly decreasing and remaining near zero unless complete breakdown is to occur.

Fluctuations in Continuous-Wave Radio Bearings at High Frequencies. by W. C. Bain. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 1 p.

Calibration of Vibration Pickups by the Reciprocity Method, by S. Levy and R. R. Bouche. "NBS J." Oct. 1956. 17 pp. The reciprocity theory for the relationship between mechanical force and velocity and electric current and voltage is presented for a linear electrodynamic vibration-pickup calibrator having a driving coil, a velocity-sensing coil, and a mounting table. A description is given of the mechanical arrangement and electric circuitry used at NBS in calibrating calibrators by the reciprocity method. Practical limitations of the method are discussed.

Magnetic Flux Meter for Measuring in Three Dimensions, by M. Muller. "J IT&T." Sept. 1956. 4 pp. Theoretical considerations and practical design problems of a magnetic flux meter capable of measuring the three components of narrow cylindrical magnetic fields are discussed. Pictures of an operating model are included.

RADAR, NAVIGATION

Scattering of Microwaves by Long Dielectric Cylinders, by A. W. Adey. "Wirel. Eng." Nov. 1956. 6 pp. The author presents nearfield results for the scattering of 3 cm waves by dielectric rods of circular, square, and rectangular cross-section.

Design and Application of Miniature Microwave Noise Sources, by R. E. White and R. H. Geiger. "El. Eq." Nov. 1956. 2 pp. Noise sources developed for built-in system-performance monitors for Armed Services microwave equipment are described.

Frequency-Modulation Radar for Use in the Mercantile Marine, by D. N. Keep. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 8 pp. The principles of FM radar are outlined and a comparison is made between pulse and FM techniques. It is concluded that multi-gate FM radars are too complex for merchant service and methods are outlined for overcoming the inherently low scanning rate of single sweeping-gate systems. Equipment is described which has an aerial beamwidth of 1.7° and a rotation rate of 10 rpm with a fractional range resolution of 1/80. Radar Simulator Trains Missile-Master Crews. by G. W. Oberle. "El." Nov. 1956. 3 pp. A general description is given of a simulatorcomputer used to train ground-based radar system crews without need for expensive aircraft flights.

Radar Simulator for Laboratory Use, by H. J. Bickel and R. I. Bernstein. "El." Oct. 1956. 4 pp. The simulator is designed to provide simulated target scintillation amplitude probability distribution; target-scintillation spectrum; antenna beam axis rms signal-to-noise ratio; receiver noise figure; receiver bandwidth; antenna pattern shape and beamwidth; pulse shape and pulse width; pulse repetition frequency; antenna scan rate.

The Problem of Establishing Steady-State Oscillations in Self-Excited Oscillators Which Operate in the Decimeter Wave Range, by N. F. Alekseev. "Radiotek." Aug. 1956. 12 pp. The paper proposes a new method for reducing the average retardation of the wavefront of the high-frequency pulse, and for decreasing the "spread" of the retardation values. Experimental methods are used to determine the initial amplitudes of the selfoscillations and free oscillations, as well as to determine the values of pre-oscillation noise. The paper shows that it is possible to generate high-frequency pulses with a duration of 0.1 µsec while a flat wave-front is maintained for the supply pulse.

A Ferrite Microwave Modulator Employing Feedback, by W. W. H. Clarke, W. M. Searle, and F. T. Vail. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 6 pp. The author describes a feedback method of applying the modulation signal, providing a linearity substantially that of the feedback crystal used to detect the modulated microwave signal, and reducing the effect of hysteresis by an amount approximating the feedback loop gain. Pure sine-wave modulation is achieved at low frequencies, in which the second-harmonic sidebands are more than 45 db below the fundamental. Linear modulation, by sawtooth and square waveform, is also achieved, in which the modulation envelope faithfully reproduces the applied signal.

Wide-Band Noise Sources Using Cylindrical Gas-Discharge Tubes in Two-Conductor Lines, by R. I. Skinner. "Proc. BIEE." July 1956. 6 pp. The provision of wide-band noise sources for the decimeter wavelength region can be achieved by matching the plasma region of a gaseous discharge to a transmission line. Examination of the properties of a discharge plasma shows that a noise source with an output which is constant over several octaves can be obtained by matching a cylindrical discharge tube directly to a two-conductor line. The factors which affect the operation of the matching element are considered, and a practical design procedure is outlined.

Theory of a Spiral Transmission Line which is Surrounded by a Cylindrical Semiconductor Shell, by E. G. Solovyev, and L. V. Belous. "Radiotek." April 1956. 5 pp. The article investigates the propagation of electromagnetic waves along a spiral transmission line which is surrounded by a cylindrical semiconductor shell. Boundary conditions in the form of the impedance are used, taking into account the thickness of the shell. The analysis of the dispersion which is obtained indicates the presence of a maximum in the expression for the damping when the thickness of the semiconductor layer and the magnitude of the conductivity, lag, and frequency are varied. The results of the calculations are verified by experiment.

On the Analysis of Direction Finders at the Occurrence of Rotating Fields, by H. Gabler, G. Gresky and M. Waechtler. "Arc. El. Uber." Sept. 1956. 9 pp. The Effect of reflections from objects producing rotating electromagnetic fields on the indications of a visual direction finder on board ship is studied.
Hazards Due to Total Body Irradiation by Radar, by H. P. Schwan and K. Li. "Proc IRE." Nov. 1956. 10 pp. The frequency dependence of the coefficient of absorbed energy for different body tissues is discussed. Tolerance value for total body irradiation near .01 watts/cm² are suggested.



SEMICONDUCTORS

Transistorized Low-Level Chopper Circuits, by R. B. Hurley. "El. Ind." Dec. 1956. Asymmetrical alloyed germanium transistors are commonly used in the inverted, or low gain, configuration for chopper service. Theoretical and practical considerations are included in this discussion.

Computer Switching With Microalloy Transistors, by J. B. Angell and M. M. Fortini. "El. Ind." Dec. 1956. 4 pp. Basic switching circuits employing new transistors with low emitter-to-collector saturation voltages and large current amplification are described.

Thermistor Monitors Tube Exhaust Process, by R. Korner and G. Rieger. "El. Ind." Dec. 1956. 2 pp. A thermistor vacuum gauge for determination of pressures within a tube during exhausting procedures is described. Basic principle is variation of the thermistor dissipation constant with pressure.

Designing Transistor Circuits-Class B Amplifiers, Part 1, by R. B. Hurley. "El. Eq." Nov. 1956. 3 pp.

Fluctuation Noise, by F. J. Hyde. "Wirel. Eng." Nov. 1956. 6 pp. A method of measuring the current noise generated in temperature-sensitive solid-state devices, in narrow bandwidths about frequencies chosen between 5×10^{-5} and 10^{-1} cps is described. Main feature of the equipment described is a resistance-capacitance coupled amplifier of the type originally described by Schneider.

IRE Standards on Solid-State Devices: Methods of Testing Transistors. "Proc. IRE." Nov. 1956. 20 pp. Standards are presented for methods of measurement of important characteristics of transistors; it is emphasized that the standards will necessarily change as this young art progresses.

Common-Emitter Transistor Video Amplifiers, by G. Bruun. "Proc. IRE." Nov. 1956. 12 pp. Design theory for common-emitter video amplifiers using alloy junction type transistors is presented.

The Application of Transistors to the Trigger. Ratemeter and Power-Supply Circuits of Radiation Monitors, by E. Franklin and J. B. James. "Proc. BEEE." July 1956. 8 pp. The author outlines the general requirements and the conditions of use of radiation monitors employed in geological prospecting. Arguments leading to the transistor as the preferable component in all cases are given, and typical transistor circuits are discussed. Both point-contact and junction transistors are discussed, and the superiority of the junction-type circuits for this type of application is demonstrated.

On Stabilizing the D.C. Operating Point of Junction Transistors, by W. Guggenbuehl and B. Schneider. "Arc. El. Uber." Sept. 1986. 15 pp. A short outline of dc transistor characteristics and their variations is followed by formulae for the calculation of the circuit components of stabilizing circuits based on a permissible variation of the dc operating point. Several circuits are presented and their performance discussed; the use of temperature sensitive elements is dealt with. Tolerance Compensation of Thermistors, by C. J. Kaiser. "El. Des." Oct. 15, 1956. 2 pp. The author presents a method using zero-temperature-coefficient resistors for compensation, at a cost less than having the nonlinear components held close to the desired tolerances.

Nomogram For Some Transistor Parameters, by H. Lefkowitz. "El. Des." Oct. 15, 1956. 2 pp. This nomogram simplifies calculation of alpha from either one-minus-alpha or beta.

Field-Effect Measurements and Application to Semiconductor Surface Studies, by Shyh Wang. "Syl. Tech." Oct. 1956. 4 pp. The author discusses semiconductor surface states, then proceeds to a discussion of field-effect experiments giving a measurement of field-induced surface conductance.

Applications of Semi-Conductors, by J. J. Dezoteux. "Bul. Fr. El." Sept. 1956. 7 pp. A short survey of transistor properties, different makes, and low-frequency, high-frequency and power transistor characteristics is followed by a description of transistor amplifiers and rectifiers. Future developments are anticipated

Linear Sweep-Voltage Generators and Precision Amplitude Comparator Using Transistors, by L. C. Merrill and T. L. Slater. J IT&T." Sept. 1956. 6 pp. Reduction of size, weight, and power consumption; without loss of stability and accuracy have been achieved through the use of silicon junction transistors in a bootstrap sweep generator, a Miller integrator sweep generator, and a precision amplitude comparator. Design and construction are discussed.

Transistor Design, by C. H. Zierdt. "El. Des." Oct. 15, 1956. 8 pp. The author explores questions of cost, size, applicability to printed circuitry, and interchangeability in transistor design. Standardization of transistor case design is discussed.

Circuit Design For Transistor Interchangeability, by W. J. Maloney. "El. Des." Oct. 15, 1956. 2 pp. Practical design suggestions are offered for development of circuits allowing germanium triode interchangeability in i-f power amplifier circuits. The method of approach is applicable to similar problems in other transistor circuit design.

Some Aspects of Transistor Progress, by H. W. Loeb. "J BIRE." Sept. 1956. 14 pp. Some of the more significant developments during the last seven years are surveyed with emphasis on interrelations between research progress and practical achievements. Transistor technology is outlined briefly and the development of the equivalent circuit used to illustrate advances in theory.

Transistor Guide 1956. "Toute R." Oct. 1956. 3 pp. A survey of transistor types manufactured or imported into France is presented. Characteristic data are tabulated.



TELEVISION

Spectrum of Television Signals, by D. A. Bell and G. E. D. Swann. "Wirel. Eng." Nov. 1956. 4 pp. A report is made on systematic measurements of the signals broadcast from the Sutton Coldfield TV station, with reference to the spectrum and energy distribution.

Three-Phase Detector for Color-TV Receivers, by A. A. Goldberg. "El." Oct. 1956. 3 pp. This article features a three-diode detector, in place of two double-diode detectors, which provides noise-immune afc. acc. and color killer functions. On the Use of a Series Connection of a Germanium Diode and a Vacuum Diode to Maintain the Black Level in T.V., by W. Dillenburger and E. Sennhenn. "Freq." Sept. 1956. 4 pp. This series connection results in a reduction in the capacitance. However, small changes in the transmitted picture will be introduced. Experimental results are reported and measured voltage curves reproduced.

Video Amplifiers Use Shunt Regulation, by W. E. Jeynes. "El." Nov. 1956. 2 pp. Two applications of the shunt-regulated amplifier to video terminal equipment are described.

Switching at TV Operating Centers, by A. L. Stillwell and A. D. Fowler. "Bell. Rec." Oct. 1956. 4 pp. New video switches are described which offer greatly improved operating features for TV operating centers. The switches require a minimum of equalization and can be remotely controlled.

Slow-Sweep TV for Closed-Circuit Use, by H. E. Ennes. "EL." Nov. 1956. 4 pp. The system described is designed for use at 60 cps horizontal and up to 7 cps vertical sweep rates. Reduction of scan rates produces an effective increased sensitivity of the pickup tube.

Proof of Performance for TV Broadcasting, by J. R. Sexton. "El." Nov. 1956. 5 pp. Test techniques are outlined.



TRANSMISSION LINES

Capacitance of Shielded Balanced-Pair Transmission Line, by A. W. Gent. "J IT&T." Sept. 1956. 7 pp. A formula is derived for the capacitance of a shielded balanced-pair transmission line by application of the method of images. Range of validity of the derived formula is compared with those of the formulas derived by Green. Curtis, and Mead; Cragges and Tranter; and Meinke.

Waveguide Surface Finish and Attenuation, by J. Allison and F. A. Benson. "El. Eng." Nov. 1956. 6 pp. Discrepancies between theoretical and experimental performance of waveguide surfaces are largely due to the effect of surface roughness. The authors present information on surface finishes of drawn, mechanically-lined, sprayed, cast, electroplated, electropolished, chemically-polished, and electroformed waveguides.

Waveguide Hybrid Circuits and Their Use in Radar Systems, by J. W. Sutherland. "El. Eng." Nov. 1956. 6 pp. The principal types of waveguide hybrids are described and their properties are compared. Balanced duplexers, balanced mixers and wave-guide switching, adding, and subtracting circuits are discussed.



TUBES

The Control of Thermionic Valve Envelope Quality by Thermal Shock Testing, by G. D. Redston. "El. Eng." Nov. 1956. 6 pp. The factors controlling the failures of all-glass tubes in thermal shock tests are discussed. Different thermal shock tests are described for different defects. Distinctions are shown between downward and upward shock test, and the failure of tube base tempering to produce a significant change in the number of failures on life test is pointed out.



Correlation Conditions of Noise Fluctuations at the Potential Minimum of a Diode (Triode), by H. Kosmahl. "Arc. El. Uber." August 1956. 5 pp. The correlation coefficient of the fluctuations of the spacecharge attenuated shot current and the fluctuations of electron velocity at the potential minimum for low frequencies is calculated. For ideal diodes and triodes this correlation coefficient is between 0.65 and 0.75 and for actual tubes it is considerably smaller. This coefficient is used in computing the induced grid noise.

The Behavior of Space-Charge Diodes at High-Frequencies, Taking the Maxwell's Velocity Distribution into Consideration, by H. Pauksch. "Nach. Z." Sept. 1956. 5 pp. Proceeding from an integral expression for the ratio of the displacement current to the total current expressions for admittance and slope of the tube characteristic are derived. A numerical evaluation of these expressions and a short derivation of the basic formulae are presented.

Taking the Heat Off Miniature Equipment, by J. P. Welsh. "El." Oct. 1956. 5 pp. A survey of common heat dissipation problems and techniques in miniature equipment is presented.

How to Measure UHF Noise Figure, by J. W. Rush. "El. Eq." Nov. 1956. 3 pp. Noise measurements in UHF triodes are discussed.

Ferrite Attenuators for Traveling-Wave Amplifiers, by R. Kompfner and J. S. Cook. "Bell. Rec." Oct. 1956. 5 pp. The development of a helical ferrite attenuator for a traveling wave tube is outlined. The developed attenuator requires no dc coils to establish the circumferential field.

Pentode Does Two Jobs, by L. M. Balter. "El. Des." Oct. 1, 1956. 2 pp. A description is given of the manner in which an RCA portable TV set utilizes a single pentode as both sound i-f amp. and also first audio voltage amplifier, through the use of high and low pass filters.



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Electronic Scheduling Machine Requirements (PB 121117), by R. G. Canning. March 1955. 43 pp. \$1.25. (OTS) The application of electronic digital computers to job shop scheduling in production plants is discussed from a research perspective. The cause of the problem is presented, followed by a discussion of a method of performing shop scheduling on electronic computers. Illustrative times and costs based on one plant studied are presented. Desirable computer characteristics are considered. Frequency Modulated Magnetic Tape Recording and Playback Instrumentation System (PB 120931), by J. Petes. U. S. Naval Ordnance Laboratory, White Oak, Md. Feb. 1953. 66 pp. Pho \$10.80, mic \$3.90. (LC) The development of a frequency modulated system for the recording of pressures and accelerations resulting from high explosive detonations is described. The intelligence from a pressure gage or accelerometer gage frequency modulates a carrier frequency, and after be-ing multiplexed this FM signal is transmitted cable and remotely recorded on a magnetic tape recorder. In playback the output of a magnetic tape reproducer is fed through band pass filters which separate the various carrier frequencies of the multiplexed signal; from here each filtered signal is fed to a discriminator unit which converts the frequency modulated signal to an amplitude signal. Finally this amplitude signal is presented to a string oscillograph which produces a photographic record of the signal.

Analysis of Eddy Current Loss in Laminated Core Material (PB 120909) by O. J. Van Sant, Jr. U. S. Nav. Ord. Lab. June 1953. 22 pp. Mic \$2.70, pho \$4.80. (LC) The eddy current loss in a laminated, constant permeability (non-ferromagnetic) core material is derived rigorously starting with Maxwell's equations. It is pointed out that neither the popular nor the rigorous results can be applied properly to the ferromagnetic case, although such an application is commonly referred to in the literature.

Capacitance Effects in Thin Conductive Films (PB 120974), by J. N. Humphrey, F. L. Lummis, and W. W. Scanlon, U. S. Nav. Ord. Lab., White Oak, Md. July 1952. 17 pp. Mic §2.40, pho §3.30. (LC) The frequency dependence of the resistance of thin films of lead sulfide and tellurium are analyzed on the basis of the effects of distributed capacitance and intercrystalline capacitance. It is shown that while for some films the observed behavior can be accounted for by distributed capacitance effects alone, others require both effects. A correlation between photoconductivity and the presence of intercrystalline capacitance was not found in these experiments.

Extraction of Weak Signals from Noise by Integration (PB 122625), by F. R. Dickey, Jr., A. G. Emslie, and Harry Stockman, U. S. Air Materiel Command, Cambridge, Mass. Sept. 1948. 44 pp. Mic \$3.30, enl pr \$9.30. (LC) The detection of weak signals imbedded in noise was achieved by marking a sequence of transmitted pulses in order to permit the use of an efficient storage system, and by using a synchronization scheme that automatically provided signal excitation in the right phase.

Ferrite Applications: Electronic Properties of Ferrites and their Application to Microwave Devices (PB 122890), by D. W. Healy, Jr., and R. A. Johnson, Revised, Syracuse University Research Institute, Syracuse, N. Y. May 1956. 63 pp. Mic \$3.90, pho \$10.00. (LC) The unusual coupling of magnetic and electric properties possessed by ferrites has made them of great interest in the microwave electronics field. The bulk of this report describes observations made of the Faraday rotation observed when a cylindrical wave guide is loaded with hollow cylindrical ferrite samples. Experimental measurements are made of the variation with magnetic field of the wave lengths of the modes propagating in the ferrite. All the data collected was taken at the X-band frequencies and the ferrites obtained commercially.

High Impedance Fixed and Continuously Variable Delay Lines with Ferrite Cores (PB 120952), by W. S. Carley and J. F. Peoples, U. S. Naval Ordnance Laboratory, White Oak, Md. Jan. 1952. 27 pp. Mic \$2.70, pho \$4.80. (LC) This report concerns a preliminary feasibility study of artificial delay lines using ferrite cores. The results of tests on these lines using both sine wave and rectangular input signals are given. Lines with characteristic impedances as high as 22,000 ohms are obtained. Two methods of obtaining continuously variable time delays are described. Time delay variations from 0 to 1 μ sec in a 1 μ sec line were achieved. The variation in time delay with frequency for sine wave input signals is shown for both fixed and variable types of delay lines. The response of the delay lines to rectangular pulses of several pulse widths is shown.

PATENTS

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Semiconductor Signal Translating Devices, #2,763,731. Inv. W. G. Pfann. Assigned Bell Telephone Labs. Issued Sept. 18, 1956. Two rectifying point electrodes are so closely arranged at opposite sides of a P-N junction that the carriers injected by the first electrode will control the carrier flow to the second electrode. A third electrode makes ohmic connection to the zone to which the first electrode is connected. An input circuit is connected between the first and third electrodes and an output circuit between the second and third electrodes; suitable biasing is provided.

Arc Suppressor for Dielectric Heating Equipment, #2,763,758. Inv. F. Kohler. Issued Sept. 18, 1956. The two plates of a capacitor, the dielectric of which is to be heated, are connected to an oscillator. The oscillation will be interrupted in response to the closure of a switch which is controlled by a dc resistance indicator. As soon as the dc resistance of the capacitor dielectric reaches a value approaching the arcing value, the dc resistance responsive circuit will operate the switch.

Short Circuiting Plug for Coaxial Line, ± 2 , 763,845. Inv. O. T. Laube. Assigned American Telephone and Telegraph Co. Issued Sept. 18, 1956. To present an uninterrupted short circuiting surface to a coaxial line, a conductive cylinder is fitted within the outer conductor and a conductive tube embraces the inner conductor. A washer engages both these elements at flexible sections thereof. Washer, cylinder and conductor are shaped and fitted to present a continuous surface.

Television Systems, #2,764,627. Inv. M. B. Johnson. Issued Sept. 25, 1956. The screen of a cathode-ray tube which is normally opaque is rendered translucent by a scanning electron beam, the electron beam is modulated by successive color frames, and the degree to which the screen becomes translucent depends on the energy of the impinging electrons. Simultaneously, the screen is successively illuminated with colored light of the color of the beamcontrolling frame signals.

Television, #2,764,629. Inv. P. C. Goldmark. Assigned Columbia Broadcasting Co. Issued Sept. 25, 1956. The frames of several films are alternately and successively scanned. The frames are mounted in alignment and their frames alternately scanned in a predetermined sequence. Each film is pulled down for scanning the next frame during scanning of a frame of another film.

Compensated Amplifying System, #2,764,641. Inv. R. A. Muschamp. Assigned General Electric Co. Issued Sept. 25, 1956. A two-stage direct coupled amplifier has a coupling resistance between the plate and screen grid of the first tube, which resistor supplies the input for the second stage. The resistance of this resistor is substantially equal to the inverse of the screen grid-to-plate mutual conductance of the first tube.

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Transistor Chopper

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emitter leg, R_E. For the small variable signal current, I_c, traversing the collector-emitter path, the ohmic drops in the collector and emitter legs, R_c and R_E, can be shown simply as resistances in series. Thus a practical "on" circuit is established (Fig. 4a). For the "off" setting, the surface leakages around the two reverse biased junctions can be represented by a shunt conductance, G_s (Fig. 4b). While the surfaces may have breakdown characteristics and act more like reverse biased diodes,⁶ at the low-levels considered herein, they can probably be treated as simple conductances.

To obtain an appreciation for the equivalent circuits, a very modest example will be considered. Assume



Fig. 6: Improved series-pair circuit.

a symmetrical alloyed germanium transistor in which $I_{CO} = I_{EO} =$ 10 μa and $\alpha_n=\alpha_i=$ 0.95. Further assume an "on" drive current of $I_{\rm B}=0.25$ ma. and an "off" drive voltage of $V_{\rm B} = -0.25$ v. (approx. 10kT/q at room temperature). In addition consider $R_{\rm E}=R_{\rm C}=10$ ohms and $1/G_s = 10$ megs (reasonable values). These assumptions lead to the following values for the equivalent circuits of Fig. 4:

"ON"	"OFF"
$R_C = 10 \Omega$	$I = 5 \ \mu a.$
$R_E = 10 \Omega$	1/G = 5.6 meg
$R = 10 \Omega$	$1/G_8~=~10~meg$
V = 1.3 mv.	
$I_BR_E = 2.5$ mv.	

By the use of an asymmetrical unit (one alpha near unity and the other very low) in its low-gain orientation, V and I can be appreciably reduced. Units with smaller saturation currents, surface leakages, and ohmic resistances will, of (Continued on page 110)

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 $\frac{R_{SS_1}}{R_{SS_2}} = \frac{I_2}{I_1} \, . \tag{11}$

Series-Shunt Circuit

Another useful chopper circuit is the series-shunt pair (Fig. 7).^{2,3,4} In this circuit, the "on" null volt-(Continued on page 112)

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(Continued from page 108) course, yield yet better performance.

Series-Pair Circuit

In the "series-pair" circuit of Fig. 5,^{2, 4} both transistors turn on and off together. Therefore their null voltages (V_{N1} and V_{N2}) buck each other simultaneously, delivering only a small difference to the signal-load circuit during the "on" half of the driving cycle. There is also a tendency for the null currents (I_{N1} and I_{N2}) to buck.



Fig. 7: Series-shunt chopper circuit.

For critical applications, better nulls may be required than can be obtained ecomonically through "perfect" matching. In these cases crude matching plus external "alignment" may be employed to achieve the desired signal sensitivity and impedance levels. Fig. 6 illustrates an improved seriespair that is readily adjusted for minimum nulls. The series drive resistances, R_{BB}, are used to insure a known drive current level for the "on" half cycle. The externally added series emitter resistances $(R_{EE1} \text{ and } R_{EE2})$ are used to add a small but controllable amount to the two null voltages, allowing the two "on" null voltages to be almost perfectly matched. The shunts R_{SS1} and R_{SS2}, are incorporated to serve as paths for the "off" null currents. If the internal shunt resistances are high enough to allow external shunts of a lower order of magnitude without "spoiling" the "open" state of the switch, then they will yield minimum "off" effects in the load circuit when



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(Continued from page 110) ages again buck one another. This

bucking, however, is over a complete cycle rather than simultaneously as in the series-pair.

When the shunt unit (#2) is "off," its null current creates a positive drop in the load. When the series unit (#1) is "off," however, the shunt unit is "on" and thus prevents the series unit null current from reaching the load. Hence, a large unbalance in "off" nulls exists and an undersirable ac signal is created in the load. The addition of an external collector resistance. R_{CC2}, in the collector leg of the shunt unit will allow the series "off" current to also produce a positive voltage at the load.⁴ If this voltage is adjusted to be equal to that caused by the shunt transistor's "off" current, the fundamental component of "off" nulls will be minimized. The relationship to be satisfied is

$$\frac{I_1 R_{CC_2}}{R_{CC_2} + R_L} = \frac{I_2 R_G}{R_G + R_L}$$
(12)

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Number Systems

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$$\overline{m} + \overline{s} = (10^{n} - m) + (10^{n} - s)$$

= 2 × 10ⁿ - (m + s). (10)

If the operands are restricted so that $(m+s) < 10^{n}$, a carry is propagated into the 10^{n} digit column. Assuming modulo 10^{n} addition, this carry is discarded, the equivalent of subtracting 10^{n} from Eq. 10,

$$\overline{\mathbf{m}} + \overline{\mathbf{s}} = 10^{n} - (\mathbf{m} + \mathbf{s})$$

or,
$$\overline{\mathbf{m}} + \overline{\mathbf{s}} = (\overline{\mathbf{m}} + \overline{\mathbf{s}})$$
(11)

Adding the negative numbers (-40) and (-27) as an example,

 $\overline{m} = 60$ $\overline{s} = 73$ $\overline{m} + \overline{s} = 133$

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Discarding the underlined 1, the 10^2 carry, the final answer is 33 or (m+s).

Multiplication

Multiplication may be accomplished by a series of additions and right shifts. The multiplicand is added a number of times determined by the least significant digit of the multiplier to form a first partial product, P_1 . Then P_1 is shifted right one digit place. The multiplicand is added a number of times determined by the second least significant digit. This second sum is added to P_1 to form the second partial product, P2. P2 is shifted right one digit place. The process is continued until all digits of the multiplier have been used. The following decimal example illustrates the process.

213	Multiplicand
103	Multiplier
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639	First Partial Product
63 9	Shift Right
000	
063 9	Second Partial Product
006 39	Second Shift Right
213	
219 39	Third Partial Product
21939	Final Product

In binary multiplication, this process is very simple since the multiplicand is added or not added dependent upon whether the digit of the multiplier being considered is a 1 or a 0.

1011 1011		Multiplicand Multiplier
1011 101 1011	1	First Partial Product
10000 1000 0000	1 01	Second Partial Product
1000 0100 1011	01 001	Third Partial Product
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Division

Division is accomplished by subtracting the divisor from the dividend repeatedly, comparing after each subtraction the divisor and the remainder. The first digit of the quotient is the number of subtractions performed before the divisor exceeds the remainder, R_1 . The remainder is shifted left and the cycle starts again, continuing until the entire quotient and final remainder have been determined. A

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Attempts to represent decimal numbers as a series of binary marks have resulted in the codeddecimal systems. In the basic binary coded-decimal system, each decimal digit of a number is coded into 4 binary digits. The number 729 would be in this code.

A basic disadvantage of this coding scheme becomes apparent when addition is performed.

+ 43 00	00 010	0 0011
772 01		0 1100 (12)

There is no carry from the ones to the tens column. If a carry were to be performed, it would not represent a 10 carry, but rather a 16 carry.

A variation of the basic binary coded-decimal is the excess 3 code in which each decimal digit n is represented by the binary number n + 3.

The advantage of the code is that the normal binary carry-out of the most significant binary digit also serves as the carry between decimal digits, i.e., the interdigit carry.

Arithmetic operations in the excess 3 code follow conventional binary arithmetic except that (1) if an interdigit carry is generated in the addition of any two decimal digits, represented in excess 3 code, add three (0011) to the sum of the digits to obtain the correct excess 3 sum, or (2) if a carry is not generated, subtract three.

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large number of coded decimal representations.

Bi-Quinary System

The bi-quinary system represents a decimal digit by 2 digits, a binary digit and a quinary digit. The binary digit has 1 of 2 values, 0 or 1, while the quinary digit has one of 5 values, 0, 1, 2, 3, or 4. The system is used in the Bell Telephone relay digital computers where 7 relays are needed to represent a single decimal digit, 2 for the binary digit and 5 for the quinary digit. Two and only two relays, one in each group, are activated when a decimal digit is stored. The bi-quinary numbers and their decimal equivalents are also shown in Table 1.

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Radix Point

The radix point divides the integral and fractional portions of a number and may be fixed or floating. The floating radix point is a mechanism for expressing each number as an integral number plus a mantissa which designates the power of the base. For example, in the decimal system, 123.74 is represented as 12374,02. This is interpreted as 12374×10^{-2} . The floating radix point allows retention in the answer to an arithmetic operation of as many significant places as possible, and simplifies programming by the elimination of scale factors. Scale factors are multiplicative constants which serve to keep computational results within machine limits. The disadvantages of the floating radix point are (1) complex arithmetic and control cir-

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cuitry is required for determining and properly locating the radix point, and (2) storage capacity must be used for the mantissa. The placing of the fixed radix point has been argued similarly among machine designers as to whether it should be at the extreme left of the number, at the extreme right, or at some arbitrary intermediate position. At present, almost all digital computers use a radix point placed after the first digit on the left. The first digit is used for sign. Thus, the numbers able to be represented range from $1-x^{-n}$ to $-(1-x^{-n})$, i.e., from +.999 . . . 9 to -.999 ...9 in the decimal system or its equivalent in the radix system used. One of the chief advantages of this positioning is that multiplications can never result in numbers which exceed the capacity of a register since a product of 2 numbers, each less than unity, also must be less than unity.

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Fig. 6: Nonsaturating emitter-follower-coupled flip-flop.

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(Continued from page 123) microalloy transistors with current drive on the base are shown at the left in Fig. 5. These photographs show the degree to which the sum of delay time plus fall time can be counted on as constant.

Circuit Performance

The transient responses of 3 flipflop circuits will be considered. Fig. 3 shows the schematics of directcoupled and R-C coupled flip-flops, with transistor gates for setting included. The reset gating transistors have been omitted for clarity. On the right of each circuit in Fig. 3 are shown sketches of voltage wave-forms, with V_A the indealized input pulse that turns on the gating transistor, V_B the voltage at the collector of the gating transistor, and V_{C} the collector voltage of the transistor being turned off. Photographed waveforms considered subsequently appear as V_a , V_b , and



Fig. 7: Flip-flop switching waveforms with L-5131 Transistors.

V_c, of Fig. 3, because they have been shifted by the measuring oscillograph to a common reference line.

The nonsaturating emitter-follower-coupled flip-flop shown schematically in Fig. 6 uses the emitters of the emitter-follower transistors as the output points. In this circuit the bypassed 68Ω resistor is added to keep the collectors of all transistors negative with respect to the bases at all times, thus avoiding saturation in a manner described by McMahon.¹

The switching waveforms of these flip-flops with L-5131 microalloy transistors are shown in Fig. 7. A number of points of interest are worthy of special mention. First of all, the delay time in the turnoff waveform of the direct-(Continued on page 126)

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