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**Making Printed-Wiring** Reliable (Cover) ..... 26

Several phases of printed-wiring design and fabrication contribute to reliable operation. Most important are: Standards; Board Design; Materials; Care and Handling; and Soldering. Each of these special report sections discusses the latest methods by which fabricators and users assure minimum failures. A sixth section discloses some of the newer or lesser known, but equally important forms of printed-wiring.

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One way to insure reliability is to insist on adherence to rigid standards. Arma Div. has achieved extremely reliable circuits in a missile application by working out specifications for their vendors. Every parameter that affects printed-wiring performance has been fixed at an optimum value to facilitate production without compromising quality.

#### **Effects of Processing and Environment on Printed-**Wiring Laminates ..... 48

Only by thorough understanding of laminate characteristics can the design engineer properly use these materials. Effects of environment are important in choosing a laminate for a particular application. Processing also affects laminate characteristics. Effects of processing are important in calculations involving dimensional changes. Electrical characteristics of some laminates are adversely affected by processing and must be given careful considerations.

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# ENGINEERING REVIEW

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# Manned Space Laboratory Within Three Years

WITHIN THREE YEARS a recoverable manned spaced laboratory may be hurtled into orbit by Northrup Aircraft, Hawthorne, Calif.

Company officials asserted that they have "developed basic design criteria for a perfectly feasible manned space laboratory." The space laboratory will be a bullet-shaped capsule, approximately 7 ft in diam and 10 ft long. The space traveler inside it would be strapped in a near-reclining position in order to withstand acceleration forces. Contemporary rocket engines would boost the space laboratory into orbit.

Once in orbit, it would be turned by attitude control jets so that its blunt end faced forward. This would provide a high drag to slow the capsule as it hurtled back into the earth's atmosphere.

During re-entry the vehicle would slow from 25,000 fps to 1000 fps by the time it descended to 60,000 ft altitude.

Between 20,000 and 30,000 ft, altitude parachutes would open to ease the capsule to the ground.



Many of space laboratory's preliminary design problems are being solved by COM-PADAC, an extensive computer and data handling facility. Installation includes IMB 704 which handles 4000 multiplications, or 40,000 additions per second.

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**Reverse thrust rocket** would be fired at a point 180 deg from the desired landing point when manned space laboratory is to be returned to earth. Velocity would be reduced so that the capsule would go into an elliptical orbit whose perigree would be the earth's surface. Capsule would reenter atmosphere at an angle of two deg from local horizontal.



Luxuriating space traveler in one ton vehicle will play host to a multitude of instrumentation. In the nose of the capsule is the reverse thrust rocket. Below it are parachutes for the final stage descent. During launching pointed end of capsule would be forward to reduce drag. Man is supported in a nearly prone position during launch and recovery so that he may withstand the effects of acceleration and deceleration. Proposed navigation system for laboratory is a star tracking system similar to the one developed for the Snark missile.

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# ENGINEERING REVIEW

# **Continuous Process** For Etching Copper

Downtime of equipment such as that used in the manufacture of printed circuits will be eliminated by a new process for continuously regenerating copper etching solutions. Developed by Dr. Paul D. Garn and Dr. Louis II. Sharpe of Bell Telephone Labs., New York, N.Y., the process will also do away with the dangers inherent in changing the corrosive spent etchants and make it possible to salvage the etched copper.

Etching solutions used in the new process are composed of cupric chloride in the presence of excess chloride ions. They can be regenerated electrolytically while etching operations continue, either on a self-regulating basis, or on a time cycle. Hydrochloric acid, sodium chloride, and ammonium chloride have all been investigated as sources of the excess chloride ions.

# Highway Control System Demonstrated

Demonstration facilities of the "electronic highway of tomorrow" are now in operation at RCA, Princeton, N.J.

Cars entering the trial grounds pass over electronic loops buried in the entrance road. Transistorized detector units connected to the loops count each of the passing cars, measure the speed of each. and flash a warning sign at the roadside saying "Slower, Please" to every driver exceeding the posted speed limit. The new equipment is a transistorized variation of the comprehensive electronic vehicle control system developed earlier by RCA and demonstrated last year at Lincoln, Nebraska, in cooperation with the Nebraska Department of Roads. Detector loops in the roadway consist of ractangles of wire 6 x 20 ft in outline.

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## Publication Date Set For Printed Circuit Manual

Tentative publication date of the newly compiled circuit industry manual *How to Design* and Specify Printed Circuits, has been set for July according to W. J. McGinley, President of the Industry of Printed Circuitry. 27 E. Monroe, Chicago 3, Ill.

This manual, representing the combined experience of manufacturers who are members of the IPC, will include information on: engineering steps for utilizing printed circuits; mechanical considerations; characteristics of printed circuit switch plates; selection of materials; characteristics of copper-faced laminates; dimensional considerations; finishes; multiple soldering techniques; and a special section on standard tolerances. The booklet will sell for \$5.00.

The Institute is currently making plans for a special technical session for members to be held in November, 1958, in Chicago.

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# Wind Tunnel Adopts Digitizing System

A force and moment digitizing system has been selected for wind tunnel model studies at the Southern California Cooperative Wind Tunnel, Pasadena, Calif. It employs nine Vibrotron digital transducers and matched amplifiers to sense and signal hydraulic pressure variations from emery load sensing capsules directly attached to the test platform. Drag, lift and crosswind forces and pitch, yaw and roll moments are computed by the data digitizing equipment which consists of digital gating and counting circuits and relay control circuitry. A system signal commutator sequentially samples the transducer signals controlling the operation of the digitizing system to perform digitizing, totalizing and subtraction of forces and moments.

Each of the transducers basically consists of a fine hair-sized wire stretched between an anchor point and a metal diaphragm. In operation, the wire is set into vibration in a permanent magnetic field by an alternating current along the wire; wire length and tension determine the vibrating frequency.

During tunnel tests, the model is exposed to precisely controlled wind forces that subject the stand-mounted hydraulic emery capsules to variations in internal pressures, changing diaphragm displacement within each connected transducer. Subsequent wire tension change decreases or increases transducer vibrating frequency; output frequencies from the companion amplifier change accordingly, delivering a direct-signal output signal readable as a numerical indication.

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Force and moment digitizing system selected for wind tunnel studies at California Institute of Technology

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under stable environmental conditions. Digital outputs are stored in six relay bank registers for compatible use with summary punch and lamp bank display. The facility is operated by California Institute of Technology for 5 aircraft companies: Convair, Douglas, Lockheed, McDonnell, and North America.

## New Satellite Transmitter **Doubles Present Efficiency**

The development of a new transmitter will enable U.S. satellites to telemeter data 1-1/2 to tour times as long as is presently possible.

The transmitter is a 500 milliwatt version of the Naval Research Laboratory's 100 mw satellite transmitter. Months of extensive development and testing will be required before it can be programmed into an actual satellite. The crystal controlled transmitter employs three transistors capable of operating as oscillators or amplifiers at 108 mc. The transmitter weighs less than 3 oz, and occupies less than 6 cu in. For a power output of 500 mw, it uses one-half to one-fourth the battery power needed by any other transmitter now known. The transmitter can be operated on solar batteries, with one-half to one-fourth of the rocket surface heretofore required for sun exposure, according to engineers at Dukane Corp., St. Charles, Ill., who designed the device.

The output stage of a conventional tube-type transmitter doing the same job would need 4620 mw to produce 500 mw output. By contrast, the output stage of the new transmitter needs 930 mw power to produce the same output. The corresponding efficiencies are 11 per cent and 54 per cent, respectively. The circuit operates on a single 20 to 24 v battery.



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# Improve Midwest **Telegraph Facilities**

Telegraph facilities for the midwest area were greatly increased with the addition of a 557 mile microwave radio beam system that was placed in operation between Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, and Chicago. 1600 telegrams can be transmitted simultaneously at the rate of more than 100,000 words a min over the Western Union system. The beam system is virtually immune to interruption from storms and electrical interference. Failure of local commercial power along the route will not halt operation. Propane gas-driven, automaticallycontrolled, emergency power generators will instantly continue the electrical power at all stations without the loss of a single telegraph pulse. Passive reflectors on the 290 ft masts deflect the arriving beam to the ground stations. There the received signals are amplified in power and flashed back to another reflector on the mast which projects the beam to the next mast 20 to 37 miles away.

# **Utility Poles Can Be Dangerous**

Pine utility poles treated with creosote can be potentially dangerous, engineers were warned. At the Middle Eastern District Meeting of the AIEE, J. H. Winters, Jr., and H. E. Ziengenfuss, of the Baltimore Gas & Electric Co., said that a number of tests indicated that electric equipment mounted on such poles "is not sufficiently insulated from ground to be safe. Linemen who consider such equipment to be isolated are under the wrong impression and perhaps lulled into a false sense of security." Investigation showed that the resistance to ground of pole mounted metal structures varies with the age of the pole and the depth of penetration of the mounting bolts or lags and is generally low enough to

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partially ground such equipment. This effects a hazardous condition unless it is recognized and guarded against because inadvertent contact between a primary or even a secondary line and a pole mounted structure could cause a shock resulting in either a fall or possible heart fibrillation. Ungrounded metallic pole mounted equipment, such as transformers, should be regarded as partially grounded or energized, they stated.

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## **Scientific Russian** To Be Taught in Summer

Carnegie Institute of Technology will offer a summer course in Scientific Russian in answer to increasing needs of graduate students and research workers. The 18-unit course, equivalent to a full year of work, will meet two hours daily from June 16 to August 9. Carnegie president John C. Warner, stated that only a small fraction of the leading Russian technical periodicals are translated into English, and that those which do appear are generally four to eighteen months later than their originals. College libraries could afford many more journals if researchers read Russian, he added, because translations are as much as ten times more expensive. The course places stress on a quick acquisition of reading knowledge in technical literature, with speaking and writing instruction deferred to advanced courses.

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## Pressure Regulator For Missile Equipment

Self-destruction of electronic guidance equipment on guided missiles is being prevented by a specially developed air pressure regulator. The regulator maintains approximate sea level pressure in an electronics compartment. Without this environmental control the equipment would be subjected to destructive electrical arcing at the low pressures of high altitude. Essentially, the unit developed by The Garrett Corporation's AiResearch Mfg. Div., Los Angeles, Calif., is an outflow valve operated by a spring and bellows arrangement. The interior of the bellows is evacuated to approximately 0 pressure. As the unit is carried to higher altitudes. faster flow of gas from the compartment to the atmosphere results in lower compartment pressure on the bellows. This allows the bellows to expand with the assistance of the spring.

The resulting action positions the valve to lessen the opening that permits flow to the atmosphere. In this manner, the gaseous environment of the chamber is kept in circulation at a constant pressure.

# Magnetic Thrust Engine For Space Flight Described

Thrust to maneuver the first manned satellite in outer space may be accomplished by using a magnetic field to accelerate and expel a neutral plasma of fully ionized gas. According to Dr. Richard M. Patrick of Avco Mfg. Corp., Everett, Mass., the magnetic thrust engine would be used to alter the altitude of its orbit while circling the earth or speed it on trips to the moon or other planets. A number of different propulsion systems which have been suggested for travel outside the earth's atmosphere were mentioned including: the chemical rocket; the ion rocket

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"sails" which reflect solar radiation to produce thrust; and propellants accelerated by heat energy from a separate source (such as a nuclear reactor) and expanded to the outside of the vehicle in a nozzle.

The magnetic propulsion system eliminates the process of separating ions which is an integral part of the ion rocket system.

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Estimates of power output and per cent distortion for single-ended class A, transistor power amplifier may be made by a ew method described at the Great Lakes District Meeting of the AIEE.

J. D. Horgan of Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisc., said the method is based on piece-wise-linear approximations of the transistor's external characteristics. Construction of the usual load line on the output characteristics is required. Two points from the dynamic input characteristics are transferred to the load line and reference is then made to a universally applicable curve.

The problem of estimating distortion, Mr. Horgan pointed out, has usually been solved by approximating the transfer characteristic with a quadratic curve and selecting parameters in the equation to fit the characteristic at the operating point.

"Such approximations." he said, "do not match the transfer characteristics well for large input signals, are restrictive in that distortion due to frequency components above the second harmonic is neglected, and are cumbersome to handle."

The new method is generally accurate enough for engineering purposes, according to Mr. Horgan.

"The errors introduced by the method," he said, "are . . . small . . . and not as significant as the liscrepancies which exist between the external characteristics of a parlicular transistor and the manufacturer's typical characteristics with which the circuit designer works."

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# ENGINEERING REVIEW Digital Computer Multiplication

An improved multiplication method developed at the National Bureau of Standards can achieve a three-fold increase in present operation speeds. The technique can be generally applied and does not require any particular kind of digital computing components or circuitry.

The most common method of multiplying with binary digital computers is the repeated addition of the multiplicand. A one-position shift accompanies each addition, and a running sum of the partial products is maintained in an accumulator. In this process, the accumulator is cleared initially. During the first addition cycle, if the least significant digit of the multiplier is a 1 the multiplicand is added to the contents of the accumlator. If it is a 0, nothing is added. In either case, the contents of the accumulator and of the multiplier register are shifted one position to the right. Similarly, during the second addition cycle, the next most significant digit of the multiplier determines whether the multiplicand is or is not added to the contents of the multiplier. Again, in either case, the contents of the accumulator and of the multiplier register are shifted one position to the right. After each multiplier digit in turn has controlled the addition of the multiplicand to the contents of the accumulator (with the oneposition shift for each cycle) the multiplication operation is complete and the final product is available in the accumulator.

The Bureau's system omits some of these steps when a sequence of several consecutive 1's or 0's appears in the multiplier. Whenever any multiplier digit is a 0 and nothing is to be added to the partial-product sum, that addition cycle could be omitted entirely, and only a shift need be performed. A sequence of 0's would allow omitting as many addition cycles as there are 0's. Similarly, if a sequence of 1's occurs in the multiplier, cycles corresponding to these 1's may also be omitted in much the same way, if subtraction of the multiplicand from the partial-product sum is provided for.

Consider a string of n consecutive 1's in the multiplier. The numerical value of just this string of binary 1's is equivalent to  $2^n - 2^0$ . Therefore, in computing the partial products corresponding to this string of n 1's, one subtraction of the multiplicand for the right-hand 1 and one addition of the multiplicand for the 0 to the left of the string of 1's are sufficient.

A fundamental requirement of the multiplication process is that the contents of the accumulator (and of the multiplier register) be shifted one position to the right for each digit of the multiplier, regardless of whether or not any of the cycles are omitted. Therefore, in order that the : exte arra mul Idea be that form be sho posi S cut on mul the cen plie app par

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the multiplication time be shortened to the fullest extent by omitting cycles of the operation, some arrangement must be made for accomplishing multiple-position shifts as rapidly as possible. Ideally, the shifts that correspond to cycles to be omitted should be combined with the shift that accompanies the last cycle actually performed. Thus, for example, if three cycles are to be omitted, one shift of four digit positions should be executed instead of four shifts of one position each.

Some measure of the effectiveness of this shortcut multiplication technique can be determined on the basis of a purely random sequence of multiplier digits. In this case, it turns out that the number of cycles for n = 3 is about 40 per cent of the number of digits. In practice, multiplier digits are often not random, nor even apparently so, but experience indicates that departures from randomness usually favor sequences of similar digits. Thus, the average number of cycles required for multiplications will generally be less than the theoretical number for random sequences. If a curve were plotted for the average number of cycles required for multiplier sequences usually occurring in practice-a mixture of random digits and strings of similar digits-this curve would lie between the curve for purely random sequences and the curve for the best sequences.



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## Ad Hoc Group on Electronic Parts Set Up by DOD

Assistant Secretaries of Defense for Supply and Logistics and for Research and Engineering have agreed to sponsor jointly an *ad hoc* group on electronic parts. Jim Bridges' Office of Electronics will administer a program aimed at setting up procedures and specifications for parts reliability. The group will review management, prepare parts and tubes specifications, and coordinate procedures and practices. The QPL and Qualifications Testing Procedures are also to be reviewed with an eye toward propriety of qualifications, adequacy of tests, and elimination of duplication.

Reliability Assurance Test Procedures are to be developed to verify compliance with the designated reliability level. A program is to be developed for obtaining technical characteristics and test data for parts. The group will, in addition, investigate the need for a document which will provide design guides rather than rigid specifications.

# Navy, Air Force To Spend Four Billion in Electronics

Recent hearings before a House Appropriations Subcommittee have disclosed Navy and the Air Force hope to spend nearly four billion for electronics. Almost 10 per cent of the Navy's \$11 billion budget request and \$3 billion of the Air Force's \$19 billion will be used to buy electronic equipment and services.

More specifically, the Navy plans for electronic spending breakdowns in this manner: \$300 million in varied land, sea, and air electronics; \$500 million in aircraft; \$80 million in missile activity; \$30 million in antisubmarine warfare; \$20 million for R & D.

As for the Air Force: Missile support-ground electronics, \$878 million; general support and ECM equipment, \$747 million; command control and warning equipment, \$810 million; R & D, \$120 million; and O & M, modifications, air defense, ECM, installations, meteorology, \$328 million.

In terms of equipment, the Navy will sink its money into missiles and submarines; the

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Pacific Missile Testing Center, Sonobuoys, detection and ground approach radar, ASW, modernization of communications equipment, modernization of navigation aids; data processing systems; and R & D ranging from development of communications networks to high temperature components.

A hefty chunk of Air Force money is earmarked for the operational support of SAGE (\$430 million), White Alice, DEWline, and Pinetree Line. The Ballistics Missile Early Warning System will receive an additional \$86 million. New Air Defense electronics will be researched with about \$28 million. The same amount of money will be turned over to the Army Ballistic Missile Agency for more work on the Jupiter missile.

DEWline, which is now getting eastern and western extensions, is to have new radars and associated communications equipment valued at \$44 million. Other radar improvements costing \$15 million, and high-power communications, data link, and identification equipment (at \$34 million) together are sought to strengthen the early warning system.

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While most of the headlines underscore Defense Secretary McElroy's battle over a single chief, single service, there appears to be complete unanimity on setting up a Director of Defense Research and Engineering.

His Director will be the principal advisor on scientific and technical matters. He will supervise all R & E activities, including those of ARPA and the Office of the Director of Guided Missiles. He will also direct R & E activities that require centralized management.

Besides these broad duties, the Director of R & E will:

 plan research and development meeting military objectives;

eliminate unnecessary duplication;

release promising programs for development or production;

• analyze military technical programs for integration of R & D to meet the needs of each operational command.

This job is going to require a great amount of advice from staffs of experts and consultants.

A growing fear among Pentagonians is that well-known scientists and engineers from the universities will be drawn into these jobs. While they are by and large outstanding in their fields, there is doubt concerning their management capabilities. And this, in the final analysis, is the major responsibility of anyone who works for the upper echelons of the Department of Defense, and an area in which there have been noticeable deficiencies.



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#### Aug. 6-8: Special Technical Conference on Non-Linear Magnetics and Magnetic Amplifiers

Hotel Statler, Los Angeles, Calif. Sponsored by AIEE. The four technical sessions will include: technological and theoretical aspects of nonlinear magnetics and magnetic amplifiers; computer applications; special purpose devices and applications; and "new frontiers" in the field. Exhibits will be displayed by 40 manufacturers selected for their contributions to the industry. For more information about the conference, write AIEE, 33 West 39th St., New York 18, N.Y.

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Palmer House, Chicago, Ill. Write to International Sight and Sound Exposition, Inc., One N. La Salle St., Chicago 2, Ill., for further details.

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Sept. 22-24: National Symposium on Telemetering Americana Hotel, Miami Beach, Fla. Sponsored by PGTRC of IRE. Ken West, 1345 Indian River Dr., Eau Gallie, Fla., has additional information about the symposium.

#### Sept. 24-25: 7th Annual Symposium on Industrial Electronics

Rackham Memorial Auditorium, Detroit, Mich. Co-sponsored by PGIE and AIEE. Address queries to William R. Thurston, General Radio Co., 275 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge 39, Mass.

#### **Paper Deadlines**

June 25: Deadline for papers to be presented at the 1958 National Simulation Conference. The conference, sponsored by the IRE, is planned for October 23-25 in Dallas, Tex. One hundred words abstracts and 500 word summaries of technical papers in the general field of simulation should be transmitted in duplicate to D. J. Simmons, Rt. 8, Box 447, Ft. Worth, Tex.

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July 8-12 and July 14-18: Two Special Summer Programs on Strain Gage Techniques. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge 39. Mass. Additional information may be obtained from Dr. William M. Murray, Professor of Mechanical Engineering, M.I.T.

Aug. 4-15: Special Summer Program on Microwave Ferrites. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge 39, Mass. Topics will include **Electromagnetic Theory of Fields in the Presence** of Ferrites, Measurements of Ferrite Characteristics, and Linear and Non-linear Ferrite Devices: Theory and Application. Write to Dr. Herman A. Haus, Assistant Professor, M.I.T. Department of Electrical Engineering for information.

Aug. 4-15: Summer Study Course in Microwave Theory and Technique. Case Institute of Technology, Cleveland. Ohio. The course will be directed toward the engineer in industry who has found a growing need for training in the methods of measuring and analyzing with microwaves. Requests for additional information on the course should be directed to the Director of Special Programs, Case Institute of Technology. 10900 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 6, Ohio.

Aug. 11-22: 3rd Annual Statistical Methods in Industry Course. University of California, Los Angeles, Calif. Sponsored by the UCLA College of Engineering, University Extension, and the American Society for Quality Control. In addition to the above course, there will be a 3-week course in Industrial Reliability, Aug. 4-22. Address requests for information on the courses to Edward P. Coleman, Professor, College of Engi neering, University of California, Los Angeles 24 Calif.

# EDITORIAL

## Printed-Wiring Comes of Age

Printed-wiring is an excellent concept promising many advantages. But like many other promising developments, its reputation suffered a setback when some manufacturers tried to cut production costs at the expense of quality. Others, through ignorance, didn't realize that certain production shortcuts degraded quality and cut reliability.

Now the emphasis is again on reliability. Much effort has gone into improving laminate quality and bond strength, standardizing dimensional tolerances, and most important, improving soldered connections. Better production processes and better care and handling of printed-wiring boards have been found necessary to effect these improvements.

But these changes didn't happen overnight. An education in good processing and handling techniques has been somewhat forced upon printed-wiring makers and users. They found that printed-wiring boards used in consumer products' applications wouldn't stand up in military applications. Even in some consumer products, printed-wiring was very unsatisfactory. So as users insisted on better quality, fabricators evolved standards to guarantee fulfillment of these quality requirements. Naturally, improved quality means more reliability.

The cost of printed-wiring is high. When reliability is a must, cost is secondary. Of course, the cost of the most expensive board is low compared to the cost of a reject that is completely assembled with fifty or more mounted parts. Nevertheless, designers must be cost-conscious. Part of the cost is both engineers' and draftsmen's time in laying out a circuit for printed wiring. Time saving short cuts should be explored.

One area still to be exploited is the education of designers in new uses of printed-wiring. Engineers should freely exchange printed-wiring information at technical meetings and through technical publications. It now becomes imperative to promote printed-wiring applications to enable the industry to profit by all its advantages.

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# **Printed Circuit Standardization**

## S. Kramer, L. Krauss, and J. Monturo

Arma Division, American Bosch Arma Corp., Garden City, N.Y.

To insure reliability and uniformity of product at the lowest possible cost, Arma established a project to set up design procurement and processing standards for printed wiring. Their efforts have resulted in highly reliable designs for the military.



Fig. 1. Poor bond strength and interlaminar blistering (upper samples). In the foreground is an example of excessive warp and twist.

**D**ESIGN standards must be based on commercially available production processes in lieu of specialized techniques. With this thought in mind, printed circuit design standards and related specifications established were based on Arma's requirements and the vendor's ability to consistently produce a high quality product at minimum cost. It was necessary that the design standards be sufficiently flexible for applications including missile guidance, naval navigation, and naval and airborne fire control systems.

Basic printed circuit design standards used at Arma (Table 1) were established as a result of past design experiences, laboratory evaluations, and other accumulated data.

Nominal conductor width preferred for all designs is 1/16 in. unless space and weight are a criteria. The allowable minimum is 3/64 in. providing the temperature rise due to current is acceptable. The established width was based primarily on: fabricators tolerances; pin holes in the copper foil; bond strength and current carrying capacity.

A fabricator's tolerances could reduce a given 0.032 in. conductor width, thus affecting reliability.

#### For example:

- 0.004 in. tolerance when 4 times artwork is reduced,
- 0.005 in. tolerance from screening process,
- 0.010 in. undercutting from etching,
- 0.019 in. total tolerance,
- 0.032 in. desired conductor width, 0.013 in. possible conductor after fabrication

When functional designs require conductors greater than 1/4 in. wide, for shielding or ground

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Conductor Widthin.	1/16	3/64	
Conductor Spacing-in.	1/16	3/64	
Pad Diameter-in.	1/8	0.100	
Hole Diameter-in.	0.063 = 0.	007 0.038 -0.	.007
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planes, cross-hatching is required to eliminate blistering and other thermal effects from dip soldering.

Nominal conductor spacing is 1/16 in. Where space is at a premium a minimum of 3/64 in. spacing is permitted. Conductor spacing is dependent upon voltage differences. Table 2 is the guide used at Arma.

Other conductor spacing considerations: (a) 1 32 in. between conductors and edges of board or holes in the board; (b) 0.100 in. between conductors and metal hardware and/or metal-type components.

Intersections of conductors, and conductors and pads are filleted. Smooth curves are employed to change conductor directions. Fillets and curves reduce the incidence of failures which occur at conductor intersections due to screening techniques.

Mounting components directly on or across conductors is undesirable. This type of mounting permits entrapment of flux and other contaminents. In addition, some component markings, such as tolerance bands on carbon composition resistors, are relatively conductive. When components must be placed on or across conductor lines, adequate protection should be taken. Coating the contact area with an insulating varnish prior to component assembly is one solution.

Minimum pad diameters are 0.062 in. larger than their respective hole diameters in order to provide sufficient annular foil area around the hole for soldering and strength. A pad diameter of 0.100 in. is used for 0.038 in. holes and 0.125 in. pad diameters for 0.063 in. holes.

Pads are required on both sides of the board when plated-through holes are used. This is necessary to prevent etchant attack on the hole walls and provide maximum solder joint strength.

Arma uses plated-through holes rather than eyelets. Their decision is based on the requirements for mass soldering, reliable solder joints, and space considerations. Mechanical rigidity required is achieved by the capillary action of the solder during dip soldering.

Plated-through holes by themselves are not relied upon to provide electrical continuity from one side of the board to the other. When it is necessary to transfer circuitry through the board via a hole that does not contain a component lead wire, a separate piece of bus wire is secured into the hole. Diameters of plated-through holes are specified as "after plating." In order to consistently obtain adequately plated-through holes and solder joints, the hole size must be compatible with the board thickness. Table 3 shows the hole diameter as a function of the board thickness and wire size.

Pigtail type components are mounted flush with the printed circuit board. To hold the com-



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0.023 to 0.045 diam	0.063 to 0.007	1/16
over 0.045 diam	Wire size plus 0.015	Equal to hole diameter

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#### Table 4. Bend Radii vs Lead Diameters

Lead Wire

# Table 5. Standard Mounting Centers For FixedComposition Resistors

MIL-R-11 Style	Center to Center Hole Distance-in.
RC09	0.700
RC20	0.700
RC32	1.100
RC42	1.100

ponents securely in place prior to, and during dip-soldering, the lead wires are clinched on the solder side of the board. Components are mounted so that replacement may be easily accomplished without the use of special tools. The use of multiple-contact, flush-mounted components is avoided. When such a component must be used, the printed conductors to and from the components should be on the dip solder side of the board to insure maximum reliability.

All component leads should be straight, a minimum of 3/32 in. from the point of egress from the component body to the point of bend. Bend radii for various lead diameters are shown in Table 4.

Components fabricated with welded leads, such as tantalytic capacitors, require that the leads be straight 5/32 in. minimum beyond the welds to prevent bending stress on the welded joint. Components leads are machine formed to provide lead support during the bending operation thereby minimizing seal failures.

Component leads are mounted to 0.100 in. grid intersections. Standardized component mounting centers assure uniform design, optimum packaging, lower tooling costs, and greater reliability. A typical example of this is shown in Table 5 for fixed composition resistors.

After basic design standards have been fixed and found acceptable, it is necessary to specify and control the material and processing parameters to assure a highly reliable end product. The basic mechanical and electrical properties required, such as flexural strength, warp, volume resistivity, surface resistivity, etc., are dictated by the design objectives. During the design stages these criteria dictate a choice of one of the basic laminate stocks, phenolic, epoxy, melamine, and filler (glass cloth, glass mat paper).

In seeking an answer to "What type of base material, and whose, will consistently meet the performance requirements desired?" we use:

past experience and/or test data obtained from

- a related design application;
- military and/or commercial specifications;

data available from laminators or fabricators;
test data obtained from laboratory investigations of sample quantities.

These yield only typical properties and indicate solely the type of material to be used. Unfortunately available procurement specifications are inadequate because:

 Acceptance criteria are usually of a compromise nature. They reflect minimal properties for



**Fig. 2.** How voids appear in the solder connections in plated-through holes.



**Fig. 3.** Rupture of copper plating and reduced plating thickness at hole entrance.

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in e und • Q the various types of materials. Superior materials in each of the grades are not readily detectable under a minimum requirement specification.

• Quality levels are inadequate for high reliability application. Basically the three elements of quality control that are lacking include: (1) repetitive control tests to insure consistency of product; (2) adequate sampling plans; (3) coordinated effort. Quality levels cannot be successfully maintained without coordinated control at all echelons of fabrication and manufacture.

 Test procedures are inadequate or inappropriate. For example, it is not unusual for published data to state that a particular material will withstand a hot solder bath of 500 F for 30 seconds. Based on this characteristic, dip soldering should be no problem as far as the material is concerned. In dip soldering, parameters are substantially lower. But, a check into the test procedure used for determining this published data will usually reveal that the test is conducted on small squares with the copper clad on one or both sides. The sole criteria of acceptance is usually no blistering of the foil. Most printed circuit boards are substantially larger, contain a circuit pattern, and, therefore, introduce other problems not readily detected by the hot solder test.

Major problem areas which require close surveillance and are important factors in the overall cost and reliability of printed circuits are:

• Bond Strength. Can be reduced after subjection to the hot solder test. More realistic data is obtained by testing etched conductor lines 1/16 in. or 1/8 in. wide.

• Blistering. Internal blistering is caused by the rapid expansion of volatile matter as a result of dip soldering. It is wise to test material for this defect after humidity conditioning.

• Platings. If plated through holes are used, inadequate plating thickness in the holes will not permit solder flow and adequate filleting with the inserted lead on the component side of the board. Two other important problems with respect to plated through holes are: (1) insufficient etch resist will permit etching solution to attack the copper plating in the hole; and (2) plating thickness must be sufficient to allow for component replacement. Insufficient plating will not endure at least four rework cycles.

Type of circuitry, design, and environmental conditions dictate the required electrical parameters. Since the major use of printed circuits at Arma is in low impedance and low power devices, any electrical problems are minimized. In this case, electrical characteristics are used to define the product. Obviously when printed capacitors, inductors, transmission lines, or micro-Wive antennas are employed, careful consideration must be given to any variation in dielectric constant, dissipation, and conductor spacings.



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# **Making Printed-Wiring Reliable**

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Printed wiring has many advantages. It saves valuable space in electronic assemblies and permits use of automatic production techniques. But these advantages can be lost through poor reliability. With increased emphasis on reliable performance, designers of equipment using printed-wiring are concerned with avoiding faults in printed-wiring boards. In this special issue, we are presenting the latest industry practices in achieving reliable printed-wiring. And, because military equipment demands the utmost in reliable performance, our articles stress these more rigid requirements.

The initial survey for this report on printed-wiring disclosed that nearly all major fabricators and users have their own standards. But many issues still remain unsettled. For example, opinion on the merits of eyelets as opposed to plated-through holes leans heavily toward eyelets. However, recent new advances in plating tend to make plated-through holes look more attractive to many manufacturers. Biggest complaint is in the care and handling of boards during and after manufacture. Because of its importance, the subject rates special attention in this report. Our survey indicated that manufacturers have acquired considerable background in the areas of processing, coatings and soldering. Techniques seem to be pretty well established. Now the emphasis will be on refinements to improve reliability.

For a free reprint.  $8-1/2 \ge 11''$ , of this staff report and the articles authored by engineers of Arma Div. and Formica Corp., circle 27 on Reader-Service card.

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## Is this the First?

Printed-wiring makers still debate the date printed-wiring first came into being and was patented. Many ideas similar to presentday printed-wiring are disclosed by early U. S. patents, many dating back into the later 19th Century.

But this British patent unearthed by a leading U. S. manufacturer during a patent search in England recently, may be the first. It specifically spells out the printing and electroplating process. Invented by a Frenchman named Cesar Parolini, the method consists "of an ebonite plate for radio outfits, having an electrolytically deposited system of connections." Application date is April 24, 1926 and the patent was granted April 28, 1927. British patent number is 269,729.

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# **1 Standards** — The starting point for reliable printed-wiring

**R** ELIABILITY depends to a great extent upon adherence to standards. And standards reflect good design criteria to enable engineers to fully exploit the advantages of printed-wiring.

Designers have started to be more standards conscious. Establishing the 0.1 in. grid pattern was a step in standardization for automatic production. Recently, the Institute of Printed Circuit manufacturers devised a set of preliminary suggested standard tolerances. Much of this is based upon standard tolerances used by Photocircuits Corp. the past few years. IPC expects to publish a working set by midsummer.

Other manufacturers and the military have also established various standards. These include standards tolerances in hole dimensions, registration, conductor size and spacing laminate thickness, plating thickness, and board size. Cleveland Metal Specialties for example, have published their own booklet entitled "Military Standards for Printed Circuits."

The Military, however, have established no dimensional tolerances. Most of their publications are good design guides including standard test procedures. Manufacturers are not differentiating between military and commercial standards. Standards are being based on price levels, and the Military may specify any standard they wish.

Several military standard specifications are applicable and are available to industry. Most noteworthy are: XAR-153, Printed Circuit Boards. This specification has been approved by the Bureau of Aeronautics, Dept. of the Navy and is available from the Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Avionics Facility, Attention D/910, Indianapolis 18, Ind.
 MIL-STD-275 (Ships), Printed Wiring for Electronics Equipment. This standard has been approved by Bureau of Ships, Dept. of the Navy, available from Chief of Bureau of Ships, Dept. of the Navy, Washington 25, D.C.

• MIL-STD-429, Printed Circuit Terms and Definitions, (Standardization Division, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Supply and Logistics, Washington 25, D. C.) This standard, approved by Dept. of Defense, is mandatory for use by the Army, Navy, and Air Force. Available



Fig. 1. Maximum allowable temperature rise vs line width.





Table 1. Underwriters' standards for con-<br/>ductors spacing based on the formula for<br/>breakdown of twice plus 1000 v.

Spacing-in.	DC Working Voltage
1/16	500
3/32	750
1/8	1000
3/16	1 500
1/4	2000
3/8	3000

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Printed-wiring users—Arma, Consolidated Electrodynamics, Hughes, Motorola, Sperry are a few—have set up strict standards to insure reliability of the printed-wiring boards they buy. Many of these users require fabricators to submit samples made to special test patterns. From these pieces, purchasers make continuing quality checks on the materials they receive. Most make periodic quality checks according to a rigid schedule. These are some of the more important requirements for which users' standards have been written:

Dimensions Hole Spacing Conductors Plated Holes Eyeletted Holes Finish Marking Workmanship Solderability Soldering Rework Endurance Compatibility with Ultrasonic Cleaning Compatibility with Coating Electrical Performance Bond Strength High Temperature Endurance Thermal Cycling Low Temperature Endurance Humidity Endurance Vibration Resolderability

from Supt. of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. Price 15 cents.

• MIL-STD-S-6872A, Soldering Process, General Specification for. This specification has been approved by the Dept. of Defense for use by the Army, Navy and Air Force. Available from Supt. of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

• MIL-STD-105A, Sampling Procedures and Tables for Inspection by Attributes. (Munitions Board Standards Agency, Department of Defense) Available from Supt. of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. Price 45 cents.

• SCL-6225, Design Requirements for Auto-Sembled Army Signal Electronic Equipment. Published by the Electronic Parts and Assemblies Branch, Electronic Parts and Materials Division, Components Dept., USASEL, Ft. Monmouth, N.J.

Tolerances for hole diameters, plated or unplated, depend on how the hole will be made. For unplated holes, Photocircuits Corp. and the IPC recommend a tolerance of  $\pm 0.002$  in. for drilled holes and  $\pm 0.001$  in. for reamed holes. Counterbored or flycut holes of 5/16 to 4-in. diam have a tolerance of  $\pm 0.005$  in. Tolerances of punched holes vary in accordance with laminate thickness (See Table 2).

Photocircuits Corp. gives tolerances for overall dimensions of boards, cut by different methods. For example, the overall dimensions of the board may be  $\pm 0.025$  in. for hand sawing. For regular rooting, a tolerance of  $\pm 0.015$  in. is to be held. If gh precision routing tolerance is  $\pm 0.005$  in.

IPC standard tolerances are similar.

Generally, very close tolerances can be held if price is no object. But the proper approach should be, "How wide a tolerance can we hold without interfering with the proper functioning of the board?" For example, Arthur Ansley Mfg. Co is willing to hold overall board dimension tolerances to  $\pm 0.005$  in. if the customer is willing to pay. Pattern to edge tolerance can be held to  $\pm 0.005$  in.; registration, front to back  $\pm 0.005$  in.; line width and spacing within  $\pm 0.003$ . All for a premium price.

Most manufacturers agree that line width tolerances are not to include nicks, pinholes, or scratches as long as the line width is not reduced more than one-third. Military specifications generally state that nicks and pinholes in conductors be invisible to the unaided eye.

Conductor width, conductor spacing, and clearance between component leads and holes are also covered by standards. A copper thickness of 0.0028 in. or 2 oz per square ft is most commonly used. Plating of a coating on the copper pattern is possible to protect the circuit from corrosion, wear, and to improve solderability. A common tolerance is plus 100 per cent, minus nothing.

Manufacturers like to maintain conductor width at 1/16 in. Photocircuits Corp. recommends a minimum of 0.031 in. for reliability. Greater widths are recommended where possible for ease in dip soldering and bonding. A conductor 1/16 in. wide and 0.0027 in. thick has a maximum current carrying capacity of about 15 amp. Parameters affected by conductor width are shown in Fig. 1 and 2. (Continued on page 31)





G Pattern to pattern, one side

• Add .001" for every inch over 2 inches. † These tolerances as given are based on the datum line passing through the center line of the reference hole pad.

See Note #2



NOTE #1-Holes requiring relative positioning tolerances closer than  $\pm .010$ " should be dimensioned as a cluster.

NOTE #2-Pattern to pattern tolerance is the accumu-lation of variances in the master drawing, and in printing and material stability. This tolerance is  $\pm .005''$ plus .001" for each five inches based on a final size master drawing error of not greater than .003". Additional variation must be added to the tolerances when master drawing accuracy does not meet this requirement.

NOTE-Where no tolerance dimension is indicated, such operation is not normally performed.

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At least 1/32 in., and preferably 1/16 in. of copper around each hole is preferred. Of course, ess than this is possible in subminiature equipment. Arma requires that pad diameter be 0.060 greater than hole diameter.

Underwriters' Laboratories figures (Table 1) are a good guide to conductor spacing. About 250 v dc per 1/32 in. separation is considered safe. But designers are cautioned to design for peak voltages. Protective coatings may enable a decrease in conductor spacing.

Warp is defined as the deviation from the plane surface measured across the length or width of the board. It is expressed as a percentage of the length or width. Twist is defined as the deviation from the plane surface measured from one corner of the board to the opposite corner, and is expressed as a percentage of the diagonal dimension.

Tolerances for warp vary, depending on whether circuitry is on one or both sides. If the board is printed on both sides, a tolerance of 0.005 in. per lineal inch is recommended; with the pattern on one side, warp tolerance depends upon stock thickness. For example, for 1/8-in. stock thickness, tolerance is 0.012 in. per lineal inch. Methode Mfg. Co. specifies a general 0.015 in. per lineal inch tolerance.

Scratches, gouges, or pits in the laminate shall not exceed 0.005 in. in depth nor 0.010 sq. in. of aiea.

Almost every manufacturer has adopted the 01 in. grid pattern to facilitate automatic operation. General Electric's Light Military Electronic

<b>UNPLATED HOLES</b> -Diameter Tolerances	
Drilled Reamed	$\pm .002$ $\pm .001$
Counterbored or flycut (dias. from 5/10 to 4)	±.005
PAPER BASE Punched <sup>•</sup> (1/16" thick) Up to $1/4"$ dia. $\pm .003"$ $1/4"$ to $1/2"$ dia. $\pm .003"$ $1/2"$ to 1" dia. $\pm .004"$ over 1" dia. $\pm .005"$	CLASS BASE ±.003 ±.004 ±.004
Add $\pm 0.01^{\prime\prime}$ to above for thicknesses of $2/20^{\prime\prime}$ through	1 /0"
Add $\pm .001$ to above for thicknesses of 3/32 through	110
Routed Slots and Notches up to 2" Milled or Broached Slots and Notches up to 2"	±.003 ±.003
•Punched Slots and Notches use tolerances as abo considering both length and width as hole diamete	ve rs.

#### PLATED HOLES-Diameter Tolerances

ADD the following tolerances to tolerances shown in drilled or punched holes:	n (H) on
Drilled, paper base	±.004"
Drilled, glass base	±.005"
Punched namer base	+.005"

#### **I** HOLES TO OUTSIDE DIAMETER TOLERANCES

I.D. to O.D.:	Regular T.I.R. <sup>•</sup>	±.010
	Premium T.I.R.*	±.003

\*Total Indicator Runout

#### K LINE WIDTH & SPACING

No Plating	Regular	±.010"			
	Premium	±.005"			
With Plating	Regular	±.015"			
	Premium	$\pm .010''$			
Minimum Line Width and/or Spacing	031 for R	cliability			

NOTE-Line width tolerances do not include nicks, pin holes and scratches. Such imperfections are considered acceptable provided the line is not reduced more than 33%. It is suggested that line width and spacing be specified as minimums provided the design is based on the tolerances given.

**U** STOCK THICKNESS (per NEMA Specifications)

#### **Delating Thickness**

All plating will be produced to a stated minimum thickness with a tolerance of *plus* 100% *minus* nothing. On boards with plated holes, plating build-up on plug-in fingers may add as much as .003" to finger thickness on each side over and above specified minimum plating thickness. Photocircuits will normally use close tolerance material (thickness) for these applications. N WARP

The following values can be used as a guide in determining anticipated warpage of copper-clad board:

rattern on ONE side:	
1/16" stock thickness	025" per inch of length
3/32" stock thickness	.020" per inch of length
1/8" stock thickness	.012" per inch of length
1/4" stock thickness	.006" per inch of length
Pattern on TWO sides:	
All stock thicknesses	.005" per inch of length

Equipment Dept. establishes a zero reference on a grid point at the left edge and lower edge of the board. Facilities for programming a piercing operation are based on the 0.1 in. spacing. Required holes that do not fall in the grid pattern must be made by other means, with an increase in costs.

Component spacing is also basis of standards. All are based upon the 0.1 in. grid system. Some variations are allowed for special components.

Many test standards have been established. They pertain to bonding, solderability, physical, and mechanical properties. These standards are described in our discussion of quality control.

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# **2 Board Design Techniques** — Factors to consider for reliable operation



Fig. 1. Leg spacing standards devised by General Electric's Light Military Electronic Equipment Dept. for components with and without glass-bead end construction. **S**TARTING with his conventional wiring diagram, the printed-wiring designer must lay out his electrical circuit. His problem is to get the simplest layout with the most direct connections possible.

#### One Side vs Two Sides

In laying out the printed-wiring board, the designer is faced with the decision of whether to use a single-sided or double-sided board.

Two-sided printed-wiring takes on two forms. The circuitry on the two sides of the board may be different (the usual case), or, in instances where ultimate reliability is needed, the circuitry on one side of the board may be duplicated on the opposite side with through-the-board connections at numerous points.

Two-sided circuitry has an advantage over single-sided circuitry in size and weight reduction. This is of prime importance in miniaturized equipment and in airborne applications. Twosided circuitry also tends to reduce the tendency of board warpage during fabrication. This is particularly true where the circuitry is the same, or nearly the same, on both sides. From the standpoint of warpage effects, therefore, two-sided circuitry tends to be a factor in improved reliability. Current-carrying capacity is increased by running two conductors in parallel.

In other respects, however, two-sided circuitry adds complexity which can be a source of unreliability. For this reason many users favor singlesided wiring, even though it usually means the use of hand-inserted jumper wires and increases warpage difficulties, particularly on large boards. Generally, one-sided boards are more economical, and inherently more reliable.

The Signal Corps, in their design guide, SCL-6225, requires that printed-wiring on one-side of the base only shall be used to the maximum extent possible. This to facilitate automatic assembly, they say. It also minimizes the need for interface connections, hand soldering, and reduces registration problems.

Fig. 3. Typical printed-wiring connector application.

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Fig. 2. Good board layout showing "freeflowing" conductors and cross-hatching of large copper areas.

Cleveland Metal Specialties Co.

Some board materials must be supplied with copper on both sides to prevent excessive warpage (Choosing Board Materials, page 36. Of course, space factors, in missiles for example, may demand use of double metal boards.

#### How Large a Board?

Board size must be determined. For optimum ease of handling in production, and to facilitate mounting problems, many manufacturers limit the board size to  $6 \times 12$  in. General Electric's Light Military Electronic Division limits board size to  $12 \times 12$  in. A  $6 \times 6$  in. card has been suggested as maximum.

In one application, Komak Inc. has fabricated boards as large as  $34 \times 9 \times 1/16$  in. Used in an electronic organ application, the boards are made of copper-clad Formica XXXP. The military, however, has placed no restrictions on printedwiring board size.

For modular design, the Signal Corps requires the basic unit of length to be 0.025 in. This basic modular unit is to apply to all three axes of Cartesian coordinates. In equipment to be built on automatic machines, certain dimensions should be in multiples of this basic modular unit. These dimensions include: over-all board dimensions; spacing of part leads; location of holes; and test point locations.

The 0.1-in. grid pattern should be used wherever possible. For subminiature applications, a 0.05-in. grid may be used. With particularly stringent subminiature requirements, a 0.025 in. grid may also be used. Overall width and length of the board should coincide with the lines of the 0.1-in. grid pattern.

#### **Component Mounting**

Components should be oriented in both the horizontal and vertical planes. Most crossovers can be eliminated in this manner. But where crossovers are necessary to achieve a certain component layout, wires may be used. Treat the wire as a component.

Leg spacings should be to the 0.1-in. grid pattern. General Electric's Light Military Electronics Division specifies an additional 0.2-in. over the body length of axial-lead components.

Signal Corps requirements dictate that lead spacings coincide with a multiple of the 0.025-in. modular unit. Leads of axial-lead parts should remain straight for at least 0.015-in. from the end of the part.

Components should be mounted separately. Where components tie into a common lead, or are interconnected, separate mounting holes should be used. If a faulty component must be replaced, it isn't necessary to unsolder others.

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#### **PRINTED-WIRING RELIABILITY**

snap into holes in the base. There seems to be a need for a plug-in type i-f transformer which could be inserted into a standard tube socket. Superior reliability and ease of servicing are two advantages of this arrangement.

Several manufacturers have introduced, or are developing potentiometers and variable capacitors to meet printed-wiring requirements. Electrolytic capacitors can be simply inserted into standard spacing and dip soldering. The newer plug-in types improve reliability and reduce line repairs resulting from the broad tolerances on standard cases.

AMP Inc. has devised a component tip to speed assembly operations. Special tips are automatically placed on component leads which in turn are placed into holes in the board. This method insures better reliability and may eliminate the need for eyelets and plated-through holes.

#### Connectors

Connectors designed as receptacles for printedwiring boards are commercially available with up to 44 contacts. These connectors enable the design of plug-in printed-wiring packages. Continental Connector Corp. has set up their own standards for printed-wiring circuit connectors. Their specifications cover mechanical, electrical, and environmental tests. Board thickness, contact size, and material are also included.

Unsatisfactory experience from the standpoint of reliability has often occurred from poor contact between printed-wiring board terminal fingers and connectors. Experience shows that high reliability can be achieved when the terminal fingers and connector inserts are plated with a noble metal such as gold, silver, or rhodium. More reliable connections are possible when rhodium is used because of its wearing properties. The Light Military Department of General Electric Co. recommends at least a 50 per cent overlap of contact area (board to socket). Tolerances should be so specified.

Chamfering of the edge of the printed-wiring board at the terminal fingers or plating around the edge of the board has been used to avoid the possibility of the terminal fingers lifting from the board upon insertion in the connectors. Recent improvements in adhesives, which hold the copper to the laminate, have just about eliminated this difficulty.

#### **Eyelets vs Plated-Through**

Biggest battle raging among printed-wiring makers is that of eyelets versus plated-through holes. Results of ELECTRONIC DESIGN'S questionnaire show opinion favoring use of eyelets, but plated-through holes are gaining in favor.



**Fig. 4.** Photomicrograph of a cross-section of a good quality plated-through hole.

Military specifications have specified eyelets in every case. But the new Signal Corps design guide, SCL-6225, section 3.4.4 states, "The use of mechanical eyelets or standoff terminals for electrical connections shall be avoided wherever possible because of difficulties in assuring reliable performance. Where frequent replacement of a particular electronic part is anticipated, suitable mechanical eyelets or plated-through holes may be used to assist in preventing delamination of the printed conductor. Mechanical eyelets for such purposes shall be of light-gage metal and



Fig. 5. Cross-section showing poor eyeleted connection after temperature cycling.

shall be mechanically secured to the printed-wiring board. Their flanges shall be flared out from the printed-wiring so as to ensure the formation of an adequate solder fillet under the flange. Use of eyelets (either mechanical of plated-through types) may make replacement of the part difficult or impossible unless the part leads can be separately and individually removed from the printed-wiring board."

Section 3.4.5 of the Signal Corps publication states, "Plated-through holes shall not be used by themselves to effect interface connections. A

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Use single-sided printed-wiring boards instead of double sided.

Use etched rather than plated boards.

Use smallest possible "card." (6-in. square or less).

□ Keep card as nearly same length on all sides

as possible. (square rather than rectangular).

Use 0.1 in. grid layout as standard.

Use "free-flowing" lines, rounded corners.

☐ Make conductors as short as possible.

Avoid placing high impedance or rf circuits on printed-wiring board.

□ Keep dc leads near edges.

Avoid placing components across conductors.

Clean component leads of wax, etc. before assembly on printed-wiring board.

 Specify tolerance for design-center conditions.
 Stick to proven design standards and tolerances.

☐ Keep both electrical and mechanical characteristics in mind.

Watch out for "hot-spots" on printed-wiring board. Use heat sinks and heat shunts as required.
 Avoid cyclets altogether if equipment is subjected to vibration or shock.

□ Boards 1/16 to 3/32-in. thick shall be supported at intervals of not more than 4-in. Boards thicker

than 3/32-in. shall be supported at intervals of not more than 5-in.

 $\Box$  Holes for component leads should be spaced at least 1-1/2 times the thickness of stock apart and from outside edges and cutouts.

Smallest hole no smaller than 2/3 stock thickness.

Any conductor lines running near the edge should be spaced 1/16-in. from the edge of the final board or should be so laid out that the shearing or blanking edge will trim through the copper.

☐ The minimum spacing between conductor lines, copper pads or islands be no closer together than 0.032 in.

☐ That at least 0.030 in. of copper be around all holes that ultimately get soldered.

Make conductor at least 0.040 in. wide. (Signal Corps says 0.060 in.).

The width of any line be no smaller than 0.015 in.

□ Large expanses of copper should be avoided as this tends to create a blistering condition during soldering. Any large expanse of copper should be checkered or cross-hatched to reduce possibility of blistering.

□ Plate or etch the same information on both sides of the board for minimum warpage and maximum reliability.

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Previously, plated-through holes were considered unsatisfactory because of failure of the plating inside the hole. As the board is dipped in hot solder, gases released by the laminate blow a hole through the plating where it is especially thin. As a result, solder was not drawn into the hole, thus effecting a poor solder joint.

Eyelets, on the other hand, have proven unrehable because of the difference in expansion and elasticity of the eyelet and the plastic laminate. The plastic base material, the eyelet, and the solder which bands the eyelet to the conductor pattern all have different coefficients of expansion and moduli of elasticity. After several temperature cycles during which the plastic expansion under heat exceeds that of the metal, the metal assumes a permanent set and breaks its contact with the solder on the surface of the board. In a plated-hole, the interlocked bond of the plating comes and goes with temperature changes. Tests show that failures have not occurred after seventy cycles of the same conditions under which eyelets began to fail after five cycles. Additional statistics will be presented in ELECTRONIC DESIGN, when available.

Chief concern with plated-holes has been replacement of components without loosening the adhesion of the conductor pad around the hole during removal of one lead and resoldering the next. Those using plated-through holes extensively found that by educating service personnel to keep the iron up on the lead and away from the pads, components can be replaced three to six times. (Resoldering twenty times has been reported.)

#### **Funnel Type Best**

One solution to the eyelet problem was to switch to the funnel-type eyelets. Construction of these permits the base material to expand without undue pressure. Circon Component Corp. has developed a line of funnel flange eyelets. No under-head flux inclusions are possible because of the open character of the eyelet.

Several new developments in plated-through hole technique promise its growing use-possibly to replace eyelets entirely. Both Printed Electronics Corp. (Narcus process) and Precision Circuits Inc. have developed new techniques for securing better plated-through holes. Photocircuits Corp. has announced their "Tuf-Plate" process, which guarantees a wall thickness of at least 0.0015 in. Its current carrying capacity is equivalent to a 2 oz copper conductor of width equivalent to the hole diameter. It is said to be mplosion proof and will stand up under thermal hock of repeated solderings.

Plated-through holes, then, with proper procssing technique, will provide real reliability. The real test will be time.

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mode rectangular	TE <sub>101</sub> mode rectangular
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4.5-6.5 MCS	4.5-5.5 MCS
36 MCS	18 MCS
.9 db	1.3 db
\$400.00	\$535.00
27-BC	27-CC
$\lambda/4 \cos x$	$\lambda/4 \cos x$
700-3200 MCS	2700-3100 MCS
8-11 MCS	8-10 MCS
60 MCS	32MCS
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7500-8500 MCS	7500-8250 MCS	7500-8000 MCS
8-11 MCS	8-10 MCS	8-9 MCS
60 MCS	32 MCS	21 MCS
1.5 db	2.5 db	3.5 db
\$475.00	\$625.00	\$775.00
85-BW	85-CW	85-DW
TE <sub>111</sub> mode cylindrical	TE <sub>111</sub> mode cylindrical	TE <sub>111</sub> mode cylindrical
8500-9600 MCS	8500-9300 MCS	8500-9000 MCS
8-11 MCS	8-10 MCS	8-9 MCS
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## **Choosing Board Materials**— 3 Using the right laminate aids reliability

WITH a large number of laminates now vavailable, the design engineer is faced with the difficult task of choosing the right material. Laminated thermosetting plastics including paper base phenolics, glass base epoxy, melamine, silicone, and teflon are available. NEMA lists over two dozen standard grades.

Copper, or other metal foils are bonded to one or both sides. Aluminum, copper-clad aluminum, silver, and brass are used. Aluminum is not widely used in high-quality printed-wiring boards because its uniformity is not as good as copper. It needs special surface preparation.

Phenolic laminates with a paper base are most commonly used. Type XXXP is one of the most popular. Other popular paper-base phenolics inclue XX, XXP, XXX, and XXXP-IR. These grades should be punched hot. P-25 is a coldpunch paper-base laminate similar to XXXP.

National Vulcanized Fibre Co. just announced a new phenolite Grade XXXP-467-1. It is a paper-base material that combines the electrical characteristics of XXXP stock with flame resistant qualities. It also has very high insulation resistance and low moisture absorption. XXXP-467-1 is recommended for critical electrical applications where fire danger must be considered. Such applications include color TV sets because of the high voltage used, computers and telephone equipment because of the concern about loss of fire of expensive pieces of equipment, and other similar applications. XXXP-467-1 is a hot punching grade and cannot be punched cold.

Another fairly new National grade is G-11-861-1, a heat resistant epoxy glass laminate. It will retain 70 to 80 per cent of its original flexural strength when tested at 150 C after one hour conditioning at that temperature. (Conventional epoxy laminates of the G-10 type retain only 5 to 10 per cent when tested at 130 C).

Applications include military electronic circuits in rockets, missiles, and computers. It is, however, a premium price grade and does not supersede National's G-10 grade where heat resistance is not a problem.

Manufacturer	Grade	Grade	Spec.	No.	Resin	Base	Notes
1. Continental Diamond	2350				Phenolic	Paper	Low cost, cold punching in thin sheets
Fibre Co.,	16	XXP			Phenolic	Paper	Warm punching, good insulation resistance
Newark, Del.	28	XXXP			Phenolic	Paper	Warm punching, high insulation resistance
(Dilecto)	26	XXXP	PBE-P	3115	Phenolic	Paper	Hot punching, high insulation resistance
	28 <b>E</b> 2	G-10	GEE	18177	Ероху	Glass	Medium weave glass fabric, excellent mechanical strength and dimensional stability
	16E <sup>3</sup>	G-10	GEE	18177	Ероху	Glass	Fine weave glass fabric, suitable for thin laminates
	108T				Teflon <sup>4</sup>	Glass	Fine weave glass fabric, tow dielectric losses
	112T				Teflon	Glass	Fine weave glass fabric, low dielectric losses
	1167				Teflon	Glass	Fine weave glass fabric, low dielectric losses
	1287				Teflon	Gloss	Medium weave glass fabric
2. Fluorocarbon Products,					Teflon		Low dielectric and UHF losses
Camden, N. J. (Chemelec)							
3. Formica Corp.,	CIRPRINT	ХХР	PBE-P	3115	Phenolic	Paper	High insulation resistance, cold punching
Cincinnati, Ohio	XP-47	PC			Phenolic	Paper	Low cost, cold punching
	XXXP-36	XXXP	PBE-P	3115	Phenolic	Paper	Highest insulation resistance, cold punching
	YN-25	N-1	NPG	15047	Phenolic	Nylon	For postforming applications
	CE	CE	FBG	15035	Phenolic	Cotton	Coarse weave cotton fabric
	FF-91	G-10	GEE	18177	Ероху	Glass	High mechanical strength, excellent insu- lation resistance
	LE	LE	FBE	15035	Phenolic	Cotton	Fine weave cotton base
	FF-94				Ероху	Glass	Light-weight glass cloth
	FF-95				Ероху	Glass	High strength properties at elevated tem- peratures
4. General Electric,	11541	ХХР	PBE-P	3115	Phenolic	Paper	High insulation resistance, hot punching
Coshocton, Ohio (Textolite)	11558	G-10	GEE	18177	Ероху	Glass	High mechanical strength; excellent elec- trical properties
	11574				Ероху	Paper	Self-extinguishing, exceeds XXXP stand- ards
	11572	XXXP	PBE-P	3115	Phenolic	Paper	Cold punching, solvent resistant
	11570	XXXP	PBE-P	3115	Phenolic	Paper	Cold punching
	2053X	P			Phenolic	Paper	Low cost, low voltage applications
5. International	F				Fluoro-		Superior electrical properties, copper foil
Resistance Co.,				1	carbon		on fluorocarbon base
Phila., Pa.,	E			1	Epoxy	1	Fluorocarbon sheet on glass-epoxy lami-
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**Printed-Wiring Laminate Materials'** 

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#### Printed-Wiring Laminate Materials<sup>1</sup> (cont.)

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Manufacturer	Grade	NEMA Grade	MIL Spec	No.	Resin	Base	Notes			
6. Mica Corp.,	EG-758	G-10	GEE	18177	Epoxy	Glass	Plain weave, low warp or twist			
Culver City, Calif.	EG-751	G-10	GEE	18177	Ероху	Glass	Satin weave, high strength			
(Micaply)	EG-752	G-10	GEE	18177	Ероху	Glass	Fine weave, very thin laminates			
7. Mica Insulator, Div. of Minnesota	6008	ХХХР	PBE-P	3115B	Phenolic	Paper	Cold punching, excellent electrical prop- erties, low moisture absorption			
Mining & Mfg. Co., Schenectady 1, N.Y.	6038	G-5	GMG	150 <b>37B</b>	Melamine	Glass	High arc resistance, heat and flame resistant			
(Lamicoid)	6096	G-10	GEE	18177	Ероху	Glass	Very high heat distortion properties, self- extinguishing, low water absorption			
8. National Vulcanized	XN-152-1				Phenolic	Paper	Low cost, low resin content, hot punching			
Fibre Co.,	P-214-B-1	P			Phenolic	Paper	Standard hot punching stock			
Wilmington, Delawar	XXP-209-G-1	XXP			Phenolic	Paper	Good electrical properties, hot punching			
	XXP-239-1	XXP	PRF.P	31158	Phenolic	Paper	Good electrical properties, cold punching			
	XXXP-219.C-1	XXXP	PRE.P	3115B	Phenolic	Paper	Warm purching grade			
	XXXP-455-1	YYYP	PRE.P	31158	Phenolic	Paper	High involution resistance, bot punching			
	XXXP 470 1		DRE D	2115	Phonolic	Paper	Cold purching grade			
	XXXF-4/0-1			2115	Phenolic	Paper				
	N-1-852-1	N-1	NPG	15047-в	Phenolic	Nylon	High insulation resistance, low moisture			
	G-5-813	G-5	GMG	1 5037-B	Melamine	Glass Cloth	Arc resistant, high mechanical strength			
	G-10-865	G-10	GEE	18177	Ероху	Glass Cloth	Superior insulation and dielectric proper- ties; for high temperature and high			
	G-11-861	G-11	GEB	18177	Ероху	Glass Cloth	Heat resistant Epoxy Glass Grade			
9. New England	100	G-10	GEE	18177	Epoxy	Glass	Medium weave glass fabric			
Laminates Co., Inc., Stamford, Conn.,	100A	G-10	GEE	18177	Ероху	Glass	As grade 100 but with greater bond strength			
(Nelco)	101				Ероху	Glass	For use with flush circuits			
	120				Epoxy	Glass	High resin, special weave glass fabric			
	125				Epoxy	Glass	Special weave			
	130				Epoxy	Paper				
	135				Epoxy	Paper				
	210	P			Phenolic	Paper	Low cost			
	220	XXP			Phenolic	Paper				
	230	XXXP	PBE-P	3115	Phenolic	Paper				
10. Northern Plastics, La Crosse, Wisc., (Norplex)	925	ХХХР			Phenolic	Paper				
11. Panelyte Division.	1603	G-10	GEE	18177	Epoxy	Glass				
St. Regis Paper Co.	1633	G-10	GEE	18177	Epory	Glass	Fire Retardent			
Trenton, N. J.	1403	G-5	GMG	1 5037	Melamine	Glass	Glass cloth base			
	1803					Teflon	Sheet base			
	1813					Teflon	Tope Base			
	7742	YYYD	DEED	3115	Phenolic	Paper	Hot punching			
	9103	YYYD LID	PRE P	3115	Phonolic	Paper	Cold purching high invulation resistance			
	0103	VYVD UID	DAE D	2115	Phanalta	Paper	Lota punching, nigh insulation resistance			
	5053	AAAP-MIR	PBE-P	3115	Phenolic	raper	nor punching, high insulation resistance			
	//43	XXP			Phenolic	Paper	rior punching			
	8203	XXP			Phenolic	Paper	warm punching, high insulation resistance			

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<sup>1</sup> 16EFR—Exhibits essentially the same excellent mechanical and electrical characteristics as Di-Clad 16E plus good flame and heat resistance. Meets NEMA G-10 properties.

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All grades are in moldable form, especially suitable for molded mechanical methods of producing printed wiring. All grades are cold punching and exceptional high strength properties

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Manufacturer

West Acton, Mass.,

12. Rex Corp.,

Printed-Wiring Laminate Materials<sup>1</sup> (cont.)

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Notes

Cold punching, excellent UHF properties

no cold flow

Hot punching

Cold punching

Cold punching

resistance

Hot punching

Cold punching

Glass cloth base

high humidity

Warm punching

humidity use.

Low cost

Arc resistance, low cost

High insulation resistance

**Exceptional bond strength** 

**Exceptional impact strength** 

Good impact and flexural strength

over 475°F; self-extinguishing

Arc resistant; heat resistance continuous

**Exceptional electrical properties and heat** 

Hot punching, high insulation resistance

Cold punching, high insulation resistance

High moisture resistance, hot punching,

High insulation resistance, warm punching

Superior electrical characteristics under

High insulation resistance, cold punching

Good electrical properties, warm punching

Superior electrical properties under high

adhesive) used for flush circuits

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Cold punching, good mechanical properties

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Fig. 1. How insulation resistance varies under high humidity for several copper-clad printed-wiring laminates.

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Where low dimensional changes are required along with high mechanical strength, low water absorption, and fungus resistance, epoxy laminates can be specified. Base material is a continuous filament glass cloth. Two of the most commonly used grades are G-10 and G-11.

Both are continuous filament woven glass fabric grades noted especially for their electrical characteristics. G-10 retains 25 per cent of its flexural strength at 300 F; G-11 retains 50 per cent of its flexural strength at this same temperature.

Where high resistance to abrasion is desired, melamine laminates are preferred. Silicone laminates provide good resistance to heat with extreme flexibility. Teflon, because of its excellent high-frequency loss factor, is being used in microwave applications. Its cost rules it out except for the most critical applications.

Generally, paper-base phenolics offer considerable cost savings over glass fabric dielectrics. They also permit sharper definition of conductors. Also, the lower electrical grades of phenolics are less expensive than higher-rated materials.

Bond strength of copper to phenolics is better than some of the fabric and glass mat materials. However, the fabric and glass-base materials have better electrical characteristics.

Most copper-clad laminate makers use electrolytic copper foil. Further, it is specified by NEMA standards.

Synthane Corp. has developed a new adhesive with electrical properties equal to the base laminate. Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Co. recently announced their formula XPA-220249, a liquid thermo setting type adhesive for bonding opper foil under heat and pressure. It withtands the visual 450 F solder bath for 10 sec ind was found to have peel back strength of ibout 10 to 15 piw. Standard in the industry GoodAll SPACE-SAVING 663UW APACITORS SUB-MINIATURE IN SIZE YET ELECTRICALLY RUGGED The 663UW has gained wide acceptance among design engineers because it SAVES VALUABLE SPACE. It can do the same for you! (See size table below.) This entire line is designed for reliable nerformance and

it SAVES VALUABLE SPACE. It can do the same for you! (See size table below.) This entire line is designed for reliable performance and it's ratings are conservative. The use of MYLAR\* dielectric provides excellent stability with life and high I.R. •Du Pont trademark for Polyester film.

This thin, tough, Mylar case provides excellent moisture and abrasion resistance. Space saving Mylar dielectric gives a rugged, yet miniature, capacitor element.

> APPLICATIONS: Instrumentation, Filter networks. Transistor circuitry. Amplifiers, Test equipment. Computers.

#### SPECIFICATIONS

Insulation Resistance: See curve reproduced below for typical performance. Lead Pull Test: Steady force of 10 lbs. applied axially for 60 seconds. Life Test: 250 hours at 85° C and 125% of rated voltage.

OGALLALA.

100 Volts

Thermo-setting epoxy

the leads securely.

Capacity

seals the ends and anchors

Capacity Tolerances to  $\pm 1\%$ . Humidity Resistance: Far exceeds requirements of RETMA Apec. REC — 118 — A. Temperature Range: Operation at rated voltage from — 60° C to +85° C; and to +125°C with 50% derating.

400 Volts

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# **4 Proper Care and Handling**—

## An often neglected aspect of reliability in printed-wiring



Fig. 1. Resin content and degree of polymerization of each batch of paper or fabric are tested.

> **Fig. 2.** Sample laminates are checked for dielectric strength.



Synthane Corp.

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O INSURE reliability of printed-wiring,

proper handling is necessary from preparation

of the board laminate until assembly of the de-

vice has been completed. Manufacturers of

laminates constantly check each step in the pro-

duction process. This insures the fabricator of a

at Synthane Corp. are an example of what a

manufacturer and fabricator of industrial ther-

mosetting laminated plastics does to insure re-

Incoming raw materials are checked, including

Electrolytic copper is spot-checked. But Syn-

thane relies on its vendors to check first. They

pay about four times the normal price of copper

for this service. Copper is checked 100 per cent

• Resins are tested. Vendors reports are checked

Constant checks are made of impregnating

• As sheets are laid up for the presses, both the

laminate and copper is given a quick visual in-

• Press pressure is maintained at 1767 psi at 335

F. Material goes through a 2-hour cycle; cold to

• Finished copper-clad sheets, are trimmed, then

thickness is checked on four corners. Sometimes

customers require checking at 12 points on the

sheet. Greatest variation is found on the edges.

• Samples are cut for lab tests. Tests are per-

formed to check bond strength, blistering, insu-

lation resistance. Usually the customers own test

• Remainder of the sheet is polished and given

a final visual inspection. If the customer requests

materials used in the coating machine.

cold. It cools under pressure.

pattern is put on the sample.

a protective coating is applied.

Quality checking and inspection procedures

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Fig. 3. Customer's test patterns are tested for effects of humidity on electrical characteristics.

• Sheets are packed using slip sheets. Special packaging is required.

For military applications, specifications are very rigid. One aircraft manufacturer requires 100 per cent inspection and a written report on each 36 x 36-in. sheet, Synthane reports.

Most important of the tests on copper-clad laminate are:

• Insulation resistance, including surface and volume resistivity. These tests are conducted under various humidity conditions.

• Peel or bond strength. A special test specimen or 1-in. wide strips are used. Most tests are performed after subjecting the specimen to temperatures approximating those of soldering.

• Blister resistance. The standard test is to float a 1-in. square specimen in a solder bath for 10 seconds at 475 F. Standard temperature for this test is still being debated. NEMA specifications to which these test results must adhere, are considered the Bible and are somewhat more rigid than most military specifications.

It would be impossible to list all the test specifications now being used. NEMA, ASTM and military all have standards available to printed-wiring designers. In most cases, manufacturers have set up their own standards and procedures.

After incoming inspection by the printedwiring fabricator, the copper-clad sheets are often put in stock. In exposed storage, the copper, or solder-plated copper will oxidize. Oily or acid atmospheres will contribute to difficulty in getting good solder joints. It will also cause heavier dross to form on the surface of the solder pot.

Copper boards can be etched by several methods. But the part of the process that can ontribute most to reliability is the cleaning. Cleaning is as important before etching as after.

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pumice cleaner and a scrub brush before applying the acid resist.

After etching, the acid coating must be completely removed. Alcohol, acetane or various commercial cleaners may be used. Most makers blame 90 per cent of the printed-wiring problems on poor cleaning.

According to C. W. McClelland of Varian Associates, two types of contamination trouble printed-wiring-process and accidental. Production process contamination results from the etching bath and solder fluxes. Accidental contamination is a result of finger-prints and dust.

Using a ferric chloride etching process, iron and copper salts remain on the board. McClelland points out that recent research at Stanford indicates that hydrochloric acid and pluronic L62 are very effective. Other wash solutions are being tested. Ultrasonic cleaning is also satisfactory.

Printed-wiring boards should be stored in sealed plastic bags for storage. One military specification requires that, after cleaning, the board be placed in a polyethylene bag and heat sealed. Natural rubber or materials high in sulphur should not be in contact with the bag. Once the board is removed from its sealed container, it should go into production immediately.

Printed-wiring not sealed in plastic or other



**Fig. 4.** Test pattern developed by American Society for Testing Materials permits checks of all important characteristics. suitable air tight packaging should be treate: as a board that has been in storage. To properly prepare a board that has been handled or stored in open air, the areas that are to be soldered should be burnished. A suitable material for burnishing is a "typewriter" eraser of the pencil type. In extreme cases 4/0 steel wool can be used. Be sure that steel "whiskers" are not entrapped or snagged under eyelets, fastenings, or pads.

#### **Preproduction Washing**

Cleveland Metal Specialties Co., in their excellent booklet, "Military Standards for Printed-Circuits" recommends preproduction washing of the printed-wiring boards in all cases where low leakage resistance and long term reliability are to be maintained. The following formula is suggested:

- 8 oz Ammonia
- 8 oz Murphy's Oil Soap
- 1 oz Swift & Co. No. 900 Solar Detergent
- 1 gallon Water

Heat water 140 F to 160 F, dissolve soap (stir slowly for minimum suds). Add ammonia; add Solar Detergent.

Use stock solution at above temperatures in cleaning printed-wiring. One gallon will treat approximately 15 sq ft of two sided printed-wiring material.

Allow circuits being washed to stand in heated solution for at least 20 sec. Using a stiff bristle brush, scrub both sides of the printed-wiring, rinse in filtered tap water, and force dry by air blast from filtered air supply.

During rinsing and drying, the board should be handled by the edges. They may be dried in lint free blotters. It is important that, during and after the production cycle, the board is to be handled by the edges.

Most resin fluxes are activated to some degree, therefore residue should be removed from the finished board when the assembly is complete. A suitable liquid flux is generally desirable in working printed-wiring boards. Where liquid flux cannot be used, use resin flux cored solders.

Upon completion of a printed-wiring assembly, flux and other residues should be removed immediately. Where possible, the entire assembly should be placed in a shallow pan of suitable flux remover such as toluol, or liquid trichloroethylene and allowed to soak. About 20 to 30 sec should be sufficient to soften and loosen the residues. The assembly can be brushed with a bristle brush to loosen residues, then redipped in flux remover. Remove the assembly and while dripping wet, use filtered compressed air blast to blow the assembly dry. Inadequate cleaning can be seen by inspecting assembly for streaks. Suitable protective coatings such as varnishes.

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Fig. 5. Typical test boards consisting of 25 in. of conductor spaced 3/64-in.

posed conductor areas to prevent leakage, and to render the areas humidity proof.

#### **Types of Coatings**

A wide variety of moisture, fungus proofing, insulating and fire resistant coatings are available. Epoxy coatings can be obtained in airdrying or bake-drying types. Phenolic or melamine coatings can also be applied. Nearly any method of application is possible—spray, roll coating or screen printing.

Methode Manufacturing Corp. suggests these finishes:

• Protective laquers, wax, thermoplastic or varnish compounds to prevent oxidation. Water-dip lacquer is the most commonly used protective finish.

• Flux Coats with or without activating agents. Slow drying characteristics defeat its purpose somewhat, however. This coating is mainly a soldering aid.

• Solder resist masks, keep solder off portions of the circuitry not to be soldered.

• Electrosolder plating aids soldering, often requires extra manufacturing costs.

• Silver Flash is useful where excellent appearance at low cost is desirable.

• Electrosilver plate used for switching and applications where good conductivity is important.

Nickel rhodium for long-life switch uses.

• Gold for extra critical for high conductivity and resistance to oxidation is important.

Cadmium plate, nickel and silver-rhodium are also used for special applications.

All etched circuits should have a protective coating. Although no one coating fulfills all applications, one closest to meeting the necessary requirement should be chosen.



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Fig. 1. Test specimens are floated in a 475 F solder bath to determine blistering characteristics. One-inch square specimens are standard, but Synthane also uses round pieces of the same area.

# 5 Factors in Soldering —



## **Good soldering practice insures reliable connections**

**D**<sup>IP</sup> soldering presents the designer with the greatest opportunities for cost savings along with the greatest source for trouble. The method can be performed easily by relatively unskilled persons-providing proper preparations are made.

First, the base laminate must be able to withstand at least 450 F solder temperature. A suitable solder pot must be capable of holding enough solder at 475 F to handle the largest assembly. Solder is usually 60 per cent tin, 40 per cent lead, although some manufacturers use a 63-37 ratio. It must be carefully maintained at that ratio during production.

The circuit must be properly prepared to accept solder. Photocircuits Corp. makes a special protective film that can be applied to keep the pattern clean. The film decomposes at temperatures well below soldering temperature.

Other alternatives could be one of the many coatings discussed in the "Care and Handling" section. Unprotected boards must be carefully cleaned before soldering.

Choosing the flux is very important. Flux must be noncorrosive and yet extremely active in removing oxides and contaminates. A good flux can dissolve oxides at temperatures lower than the melting point of solder, is non-toxic, produces no offensive fumes, and will leave no corrosive residue. ganic-base fluxes possess greater fluxing powers than resin fluxes, but are also slightly more corrosive. All of the residue must be decomposed to noncorrosive residues.
Some fluxes have acid chloride base salts. They are extremely corrosive and should never be

are extremely corrosive and should never be used for electronic assemblies.

Pure resin and resin-alcohol fluxes are most

common. Resin flux is probably the safest. Or-

Flux is applied to the work by floating the assembly in a container of flux. After draining, the piece is put in the solder pot. Circuit boards should enter the solder bath at an angle of about 3 to 5 degrees to allow the flux vapors to escape. The assembly should not be moved while in the solder.

About 8 to 10 seconds is the minimum dip time. Vibrating the board removes excess solder, then the board should stand for several seconds to allow the solder to solidify. Excess flux can be washed away with liquid tricholoroethylene or ethyl alcohol.

The finished dip-soldered board should have a smooth bright appearance. The solder should not have the frosty appearance of cold-solder joints.

Insufficient time in the solder pot or too low temperature cause blobs or accumulations of excess solder. If the solder doesn't take, insufficient flux or excessive dirt are usually the cause.

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Often dried flux should not be removed from the assembly. Activated fluxes used in some commercial operations have very good insulation resistance in this dry state. Cleaning the flux off may be harmful unless it is thoroughly done. Any flux becomes active in solution.

Vapor degreasers are very good flux removers. But care must be taken not to remove component markings.

Many forms of dip soldering are practiced. Single dip soldering is most common. A doubledip method uses two solder pots. The second dip has a thin layer of high-temperature wax floating on top. This method permits reflow of solder that may have bridged across the printed pattern, and covers the circuit with a moisture and fungus-proof coating.

Masking keeps solder coatings off areas where it is not desired, such as component mountings. Marking tape or solder resistant varnish coatings are used.

Jig soldering is a fusion process which heats the elements to be joined and controls flow of solder to appropriate portions of the circuit. Because of considerable expense involved, the method is used only where production volume warrants.

Wave soldering, or contoured soldering is a

cent development. Instead of dipping the a urd into the solder pot, the level of the solder is raised to the board by pumping it up into a ' ave". Several advantages are apparent, such a improved angle of insertion and withdrawal, b tter control of time and less heat applied to o her parts of the board.

Methode Manufacturing Corp. lists these important soldering considerations:

Solder Composition-the eutectic solder alloy has the feature of going from solid to liquid or dee versa without a mushy stage and very quickly. To maintain the 63-37 alloy ratio, it may be necessary to add pure tin. Insufficient tin is indicated by a crystalline appearance of solder areas. The pot should be stirred before use to maintain balance between the tin and lead since the latter tends to go to the bottom during cooling. Impurities are added to the bath by the solvent action of the hot metal on components, fixtures, skimmers, etc., and periodic dumping is indicated.

 Temperature Uniformity—The solder reservoir should be large enough to maintain temperature at the desired level on a constant basis.

 Gas Entrapment–Fumes from flux if trapped between the panel and solder may impede wetting and a dip angle that allows trapped vapors to escape is suggested.

 Pads—Design of pattern may affect percentage of opens. Holes tangent with the edge of pads have been found on a statistical basis to tend more to opens than those centered. Ideally, each hole is a sort of focal point for its surrounding pad or portion of pad.

 Component leads—Metals and platings of components have contributed to many dip solder headaches. Cadmium, satisfactorily used for hand soldering electronic terminations, deteriorates too rapidly for use at dip solder temperatures. Zinc and aluminum go into solution easily and impede soldering. Resin or wax may mask solder from leads, or in liquid state form bubbles to prevent wetting action. Component leads should be carefully checked for solderability after aging.



Fig. 4. Wave or fountain method of dip soldering concentrates heat on solder points.



Fig. 2. Dip soldering machine showing how board is loaded in spring loaded fingers. Dipping is controlled automatically; solder bath is covered except during dipping cycle.



Fig. 3. Wrong way (left) to design wiring terminations and how these faults may be overcome (right).

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# **Other Forms**—

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## printed-wiring reliability





Fig. 1. Flush circuitry (left) and imbedded circuitry (right).



Fig. 2. Cross-section of solid copper rivet connection between two-sided board.

**D** LATING is the second most popular method of fabricating printed-wiring. Etching is first. In plating, a thin conducting film, usually silver is applied to the laminate. Then, a reverse pattern is printed on the film with plating-resist ink. Electroplating follows, then an etching process to remove the ink and remaining silver.

One advantage of the plated method is its lower cost. Also, holes may be plated-through at the same time. Both sides of the base may be done at the same time.

Many other methods are less commonly used. They include embossed wiring, sprayed metal, "buried" wiring, and molded wiring. Most of these methods are expensive, but offer advantages like better insulating characteristics.

#### Flush Wiring

Flush wiring is commonly used for switch and commutator applications. Glass Products Co. provides an "inlaid" type. They make their boards by first plating a 0.0001-in. metal foil on a polished base. Then a photo sensitive epoxy resin is coated upon the foil, an image is photographed and the resin remains in the non-image area.

After curing the resin, the exposed foil areas or image areas are then electroplated with any metal or combination of metals desired. The plate is now laminated onto any thermoset or thermoplastic resin desired (Fig. 1).

For thermoplastic material, polystyrene is commonly used. For thermoset applications, a special high insulation resistance XXXP bakelite phenolic can be used. After lamination the supporting surface is separated from the foil and the 0.0001-in. foil is etched in a material that does not affect either the electroplated metals which form the circuit or the plastic base.

#### **Imbedded** Wiring

Another important process has been devised and patented by John Beck of St. Paul, Minn. With the Beck process, the wiring may be completely imbedded (Fig. 1) in the laminate or flush with the surface. It uses much heavier copper conductor (5, 6, or 7 oz instead of 2 oz) and uses solid copper rivets (Fig. 2) to connect both sides of the board instead of eyelets or plated through holes. All this results in relatively heavy conductors and more reliable connections.

With the Beck method, circuitry may be fabricated by etching, forming, metallic spray, or electroplating. Etching is by far the most common. But even in etching, the Beck process differs from others. Here is how Beck's "controlled selective etching" works. It can start with 0.0081in. (6 oz) copper, stop off the terminal areas, and etch the remaining metal part way. The exact circuit pattern is next stopped off and the remaining metal etched the rest of the way. The result is a two-level circuit with the conductors themselves only 0.0052 in. (equivalent to 4 oz) and the terminals at their original thickness.

An overlay, using the same material as the base, is then applied overall and cured to the base. Following this, the new surface is sanded down to the surfaces of the terminal pads allowing them to be exposed, but flush with the surface of the base material.

The circuit is now completely imbedded except for the terminal pads. During final assembly of these boards, it is customary that these terminal pads be coated completely with solder.

Problem of eyelets vs plated-through holes is minimized in Beck's circuity. A solid copper rivet, the same cross-section area as the metal conductor, is inserted in a predrilled hole. The rivet is then expanded by pressure so that it tends to fill out every irregularity of the hole. It bonds itself to the metallic conductor. The fact that the "Beck Process" uses heavy conductors makes this bond an extremely good one.

Multiple-level circuitry may be made by Beck's process by building up two or more levels of laminated imbedded circuitry. The normal imbedded circuit may be produced and a second level metallic conductor may form a heat sink. This heat sink could be brought to the surface at any place in the circuitry to dissipate heat from a particular location, or from the whole board in general.

#### **Painted and Indexed Wiring**

Another departure from standard techniques is Samuel Wein's "Copperoid" process. It is a chemical process for deposition of copper on glass, ceramics, plastics or rubber. No special equipment is needed other than trays or tanks.

Copperoid compound is a water-soluble compound and is applied at slightly elevated temperatures. Its present applications include depositing a copper film on ceramic wafers and for connections between printed-wiring boards.

J. Frank Motson Co. are producers of wiring printed on varied shapes. Circuitry can be printed on tubes, cones, and curved base material. Motson uses special silver inks which vary in printed thickness from 0.0002 to 0.0018 in. Teflon epoxies, melamines, phenolics, and the like are used as base materials. Applications include rotors, commutators, and wave guides.

#### **Flexible Wiring**

Flexible printed-wiring offers many advantages, especially for wiring harnesses. Sanders Assoc. Inc., has introduced a new material called "Flexprint." It consists of etched patterns of electrodeposited or rolled copper foil bonded between thin sheets of insulating plastics. It is available in single or multilayers.

Some of the insulating plastics include vinyls, polyesters, silicone, Kel-F, and Teflon. Its flexibility allows for irregular shapes and contours. For example, bending radius for 0.005 in. plastic is 1/16 in.

Applications include use with moving devices such as computer search carriages or reciprocating machine heads to reduce cable loading.

#### **Ceramic Boards**

Fotoceram, a process developed by Corning Glass Works, converts a special photo-sensitive glass into a ceramic printed-wiring base. Holes in the glass are etched in with hydrofluoric acid.

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Westinghouse Electric Corp., Air Arm Div. Then firing converts the glass into a ceramic. As a ceramic, the material will not warp or sag and does not absorb water.

After processing, copper is electroplated onto the base and through the holes. A resist is used to protect the insulating areas. Holes cannot be easily added after the material is processed.

Flexural strength is 25,000 psi, but the ceramic is brittle. Thus, added precautions must be observed in mounting. But the biggest advantage is in its resolderability. Removing and resoldering of a component up to 50 times has been accomplished with no sign of damage.

Fotoceram is competitive in price with highquality epoxy base laminates. The material is intended mainly for use in missiles and radar equipment, where high reliability is necessary.

#### **Molded Circuits**

Printed-wiring boards may also be molded. Channels for the conductors can be molded on one or both sides. Circuitry is electrodeposited about 0.015 in. below the surface of the board. Conductors are thus protected against damage.

Any material that can be transfer molded may be used. Resin used by Die Form Circuits Inc., developers of this process, is electrical grade phenol resin. Bakelite Co. supplies the resin.

A standard transfer molding press is used for molding the panels. All holes for feed-through wiring are molded in. Thus, the use of punch presses are not required. Holes have an "hourglass" cross section which assures uniform copper plating inside the hole.

Panel thickness has been standardized at 0.093 in. With conductors depressed about 0.015 in., base thickness between sides is 1/16 in. Maximum panel size so far is about 10 x 6-1/2 in.

Cost is expected to be considerably less than etched boards. Production of molded boards is inherently less complicated than processing of etched boards.

Rogers Corp. has developed a variation of Die Form's molded circuits. Rogers uses a laminate as its base material instead of resin.

Printed-wiring is die blanked and molded into a laminated board of any NEMA grade. Standard stamping and compression molding machines can be used.

Copper scrap from the blanking process can be reused. Circuitry can be either raised or depressed. Rogers has developed their own laminate which meets NEMA XXXP specifications, but has better dielectric characteristics.

Although the Rogers method involves dieblanking, other forms of fabrication may be used. Copper may be deposited on the board by electroplating or etching. But where high currents must be carried, die-blanked conductors can be made heavy enough to carry 70 amp.

## **Effects of Processing and Environment On Printed-Wiring Laminates**

Nearly all printed circuit boards are made from high-pressure laminates that use a paper-phenolic laminate or glass fabric-epoxy laminate. This article describes the process and environmental effects on the important electrical and physical properties of these two types of laminate.

**MPORTANT** laminate properties that concern printed circuit boards fall into three categories:

• Electrically, there is insulation resistance, surface resistivity, dielectric strength, dielectric constant. and arc resistance.

 Physically, there is flexural strength, impact strength, cold flow, and machinability.

• Chemically, there is the resistance of the laminate to the various processing solutions used in the manufacture of printed circuits.

The chart (Tab. 1) indicates "as received" values of various properties of paper-phenolic and glass fabric-epoxy laminates.

Of course, where high physical properties, such as flexural and impact strength are important, glass-base material is superior to a paperbase laminate. Better dimensional stability is also a characteristic of a glass base laminate as compared to paper. However, a paper-phenolic laminate having good electrical characteristics does satisfy a majority of printed circuit applications.

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#### **Effects of Environment**

Before examining process effects on laminates, it would be in order to point out what happens to various properties as a function of temperature and humidity. These characteristics as well as "as received" properties will influence the choice of laminate for the particular printed circuit application.

Effect of temperature on power factor, dielectric constant, and dissipation factor is shown in Fig. 1.

Insulation resistance (Fig. 2) varies with temperature for a hot strength epoxy-glass laminate and a paper-phenolic XXXP grade.

Tab. 2 shows insulation resistance after exposure to high humidity for different types of (Continued on page 50)



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**able 1.** Typical values of physical and electrical properties of paper-phenolic (XXXP) and glass-epoxy G-10) laminates:

Properties	XXXP	G-10
Texural Strength, Flatwise, PSI	15,000	60,000
2od Impact, Edgewise, ft.	.40	10.0
Vater Absorption % (1 x 3		10.0
-24 hr. immersion) $1/16''$	.60	25
Dissipation Factor (Powder Factor)		.20
As Received	.032	.020
D 48/50	.041	.038
Dielectric Constant		
As Received	4.3	4.8
D 48/50	4.9	5.2
Dielectric Strength, Perpen- dicular to Lam. 1/16" VPM		
Short time	650	800
Step by step	450	575
Insulation Resistance, Meg- ohms		
C 96/35/90	100,000	100,000
Arc Resistance (ASTM		
D-495) Seconds	-	130
Coefficient of Thermal		
Expansion (in. per in.		
per degree C.)		
Lengthwise	1.7 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>	1.1 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>
Crosswise	3.3 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>	1.1 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>



**Fig. 4.** Shrinkage characteristics of NEMA grades XXXP and G-11.

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paper-phenolic laminates. An important fact is that it isn't the amount of resin in the paper that affects the insulation resistance under high humidity conditions, but rather the manner in which the paper fibers have been saturated. A sizing treatment is definitely necessary in addition to the proper application of the electrical grade phenolic resin.

Flexural strength of two types of epoxy-glass fabric laminates and a phenolic laminate as a function of temperature is plotted in Fig. 3.

Of course, "as received" values of a glass-base laminate are much higher than a paper-base laminate. It is interesting to note the difference between two types of epoxy resin on the same glass fabric. The hot strength epoxy resin laminates retain 60 per cent of its "as received"

Grade	Insulation Resistance After C 96/35/90	Water Absorp- tion 1/16" Thick D 24/23
XXXP	1,000,000 Meg.	.35%
(Ave. Resin Content 60%) (Proper Sizing Treatment) XXP	1,000,000 Meg.	.45%
(Ave. Resin Content 52%) (Proper Sizing Treatment)	(00.14	1.4504
(Ave. Resin Content 52%) (No Sizing Treatment)	600 Meg.	1.65%

 Table 2. Insulation resistance for various grades of paper-phenolic laminates.

	Rinsing Procedure on Sampie Test Pattern	Insulation Resistance After C 96/35/90
1	Rinsed 30 seconds immediately	200,000
2	Rinsed 1 minute immediately	500,000
	after etching.	
3	Rinsed 10 minutes immediately after etching.	over 1,000,000
5	Air dried, no rinse.	3
4	Air dried for 1 hour followed by 10 minute rinse.	55
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Table 3. Effect of ferric chloride on insulation resistance (surface resistivity) of XXXP with various rinsing cycles. flexural strength at 300 F (150 C), whereas, the normal epoxy has dropped to less than 10 per cent of its "as received" value.

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#### Effects of Processing

Dimensional changes can be expected in several process operations that are employed in the manufacture of printed circuits. Specifically, Fig. 4 shows shrinkage of a XXXP board that occurs when a baking or heating operation precedes or follows the etching operation. It also shows the shrinkage that is simply a result of removing the copper during the etching cycle. The G-11, epoxy-glass laminate, shows little or no change.

Ultimate shrinkage that can be expected from extended exposure to various temperatures is



**Fig. 5.** Dimensional change of NEMA grades XXXP and G-11 due to heat exposure.



Fig. 6. Shrinkage characteristics of NEMA grades XXXP and G-11.

hown in Fig. 5. Certain solder mask coating reuires up to 2 hrs at 150 C to set up properly, so his chart indicates the degree of dimensional hange that can be expected.

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Shrinkage, (Fig. 6) once again on XXXP laminates, occurs as a result of etching, degreasing, and dip soldering. Basic points that should be taken into consideration when designing tolerances on dimensions and registration of printed circuits are:

• Dimensional changes as a result of processing are considerably greater with a phenolic-paper luminate than an epoxy-glass laminate.

Dimensional changes as a result of processing a phenolic-paper laminate are considerably greater in the crosswise direction of the material than the lengthwise direction.

• Dimensional changes occur on a phenolicpaper laminate as a result of removing copper during the etching operation. This change occurs even though a room temperature etching solution may be used.

From these three points, it is apparent that, for the ultimate in tolerances on dimensions and registration, an epoxy-glass laminate should be used. In many cases, however, when highest physical properties are not necessary, economy dictates the use of a phenolic-paper, XXXP type, material. In order to obtain best results with a XXXP material, as far as accuracy of registration is concerned, it is suggested that all machining be performed prior to etching. If tolerances on machined or punched dimensions are paramount, then hole fabrication should be performed at room temperature as a final process operation, and critical dimensions should be located in the lengthwise direction of the material.

Processing operations affect the electrical properties, particularly insulation resistance of a laminate. Insulation resistance is materially deteriorated (Tab. 3) by improper rinsing after etching. The important point to stress is that any residual etching solution must be thoroughly rinsed off immediately after removal from the etching tank.

Investigation of the effect of dip soldering on the properties of phenolic-paper and epoxy-glass laminates show that there is no appreciable effect on the physical and electrical properties of the laminate.

Any new printed circuit material should be evaluated from both a processing and environmental standpoint. Consideration must be given to not only what happens to a material under tarious temperature and humidity conditions, but also what happens under various process operations to which the material is subjected.

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Part 2

Albert N. DeSautels Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co. Minneapolis, Minn.

Part 1 of this two-part series discussed half-wave and full-wave phase discriminators using transistors.

This article analyzes operating characteristics, power considerations and limitations.

**T**RANSISTORS, when used as phase discriminators, display some of the characteristics of both switching and Class B operation. As a discriminator, the npn transistor conducts when both the base and the collector are positive. This condition occurs during one half-cycle. During the negative half-cycle, the transistor is cut off. Fig. 1 shows part of a phase-discriminating circuit.

The reference voltage, which provides the collector voltage, varies sinusoidally and is equal to  $V_{R,max} \sin \omega t$ . For a given load, the load line superimposed on the transistor common emitter collector characteristics (Fig. 2) will be a series of lines with constant slope; however, perpendicular distance to the origin will be related to the



Fig. 1. Basic phase-discriminator circuit used to determine operating characteristics.

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nusoidally varying reference voltage  $V_R$ . In the her words, the load line will be a series of instantaneous load lines.

For example, taking  $V_{R max} = 41.5$  v and  $R_L =$ 1 kilohm (neglecting, for convenience, the diode drop): 30 deg after start of the cycle,  $V_R = 20.7$ v and the load line intersects the x and y axes at 20.7 ma and 20.7 v respectively; 60 deg after start of the cycle,  $V_R = 35.9$  v and the load line intersects the x and y axes at 35.9 ma and 35.9 v.

The input current  $I_b$  is sinusoidal and equals  $I_{b,max} \sin \omega t$ . This indicates that at the start of the transistor's conducting half-cycle,  $V_R = I_b = I_c = V_c = 0$ .

Referring again to Fig. 2,  $I_b = V_c = I_c = 0$  at the start of the cycle; therefore, the start of the ac load line will be at the origin. As the driving current  $I_b$  increases sinusoidally, the various time values of current will progress along a line comprising intersections with load lines related to corresponding time values of reference voltage. This line will terminate where the base current associated with the peak value of the base current drive intersects the load line related to the peak value of the reference voltage.

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peak values of driving current. If the current gain were constant for all values of driving current, a family of straight lines radiating from the origin would be obtained. However, since current gain decreases at large signals, the response lines related to large-amplitude drive will be nonlinear, as shown by curves C, D, and E.

The transistor operates in the discriminator circuitry in a manner which enables it to handle load power well in excess of maximum effective collector dissipation ratings. The primary power output limiting consideration appears to be the maximum current and voltage rating of the transistor insofar as these ratings contribute to the maximum collector dissipation rating.

As an example of effective power dissipation per transistor, take a value of reference voltage,  $V_R = 30$  v rms and  $R_L = 1$  kilohm. The transistor conducts for one-half cycle and is cut off for the other half-cycle. For an effective differential or load current of 20 milliamperes for the full-wave discriminator, the current furnished by each transistor during its conducting halfcycle would be 20 ma effective or a peak current of 28.28 ma. During the conducting half-cycle, (Continued on following page)



Fig. 2. Characteristics of a common emitter transistor as a half-wave discriminator.



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therefore, there would be dissipated in the transistor an effective power equal to the product of the effective current and the rms collector voltage  $V_c$  where  $V_c = V_{ref} rms - V_{dindc} - I_{Leff} R_L$ . Considering  $V_{diode} = 1$  v for this example, V =30 - 1 - (0.020) (1000) = 9 vrms; and the effective transistor power dissipated during the conducting half-cycle  $P_{Teff} = (0.020) (9) = 180$ mw. Averaging over a full cycle produces for the transistor an effective dissipation of 90 milliwatts. The peak power dissipated in the transistor would equal ( $\sqrt{2} I_{eff} x (\sqrt{2} V_c) = 360$  mw for an output power per transistor of  $(0.02)^2 (1000)$ or 200 mw.

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Thus, the following relationship between effective power dissipated in the transistor over one full cycle and the effective load current can be stated for the full-wave discriminator.

$$P_T = \frac{I_L \left( V_R - V_D - I_L R_L \right)}{2} = \frac{P_{pk}}{4}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{I_{L_{pk}}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left( \frac{V_{e_{pk}}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \tag{1}$$

where

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- $I_L$  = effective differential or load current
- $V_R$  = rms reference volts
- $V_D =$ forward diode drop
- $R_L = \text{load resistance}$
- $P_T$  = effective dissipation per transistor averaged over a full cycle
- $P_{pk}$  = peak power dissipated per transistor during conducting half-cycle
- $I_{\mu_{pk}} = \text{peak load current during conducting}$ half-cycle
- $V_{r_{pk}} =$  peak collector voltage during conducting half-cycle

Analysis of Equation (1) brings out that:

- 1. For increased load powers (i.e., increasing  $I_L$ and  $R_L$  and  $V_R$  constant, or increasing  $R_L$  with  $I_L$  and  $V_R$  constant), there is lower transistor dissipation;
- 2. For a given reference voltage and load resistance, maximum transistor dissipation will occur at a load current value approximately midway between the maximum and minimum possible load current values.

Rearranging Equation (1) in quadratic form and solving for  $I_L$  produces

$$I_L = \frac{(V_R - V_D) \neq \sqrt{(V_R - V_D)^2 - 8 P_T R_L}}{2 R_L}$$
(2)

Assuming  $V_D$  to be negligible simplifies Equation (2) to

$$L = \frac{V_R \pm \sqrt{V_R^2 - 8 P_T R_L}}{2R_L}$$
(3)

Equation (3) shows that for a given load resistance and reference voltage, maximum transistor dissipation will occur when the term under t e radical equals zero or

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$$V_R^2 = 8 P_T R_L$$

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Equation (3) also indicates that the effective 1 ad current related to this maximum dissipation 1 bint is

$$I_L = \frac{V_R}{2R_L}$$

Solving Equation (4) for  $P_T$  brings out that the value of the maximum transistor dissipation can be determined quickly for any combination of values for  $V_R$  and  $R_L$ . Use of Equation (5) will establish the load current at which the maximum transistor dissipation will occur.

For most efficient operation of the discriminator with three-terminal or split load, it is essential that the input signal be in phase or 180 deg out of phase with and at the same frequency as the power supply. If the input signal were at some other frequency or at some other intermediate phase angle with respect to the power input, then there would tend to be current flowing in both arms of the load at the same time. Since it is the difference between the two arm currents which is utilized, it is obvious that, with respect to a given signal amplitude, currents flowing in both arms will result in less differential than current flowing in just one arm.

Using diode-controlled base bias, the temperature stability of the transistorized discriminator has been found to be extremely good. Using silicon transistors can result in essentially constant gain from -55 to 125 C.

The units described can operate with as low as 10 mv of signal and produce output currents limited only by the current rating of the transistors.

The full-wave unit is found to be a high-sensitivity, temperature-stable device capable of utilization in automatic control systems and a variety of other control applications. Conversion of the full-wave discriminator with three-terminal (or split) load to two-terminal load results in a considerable loss of useful power due to use of bleeder resistors which dissipate 5/6 of the total power output. However, a respectable useful power output can be obtained with the twoterminal load depending upon the maximum ratings of the transistors. The manner in which the transistor is operating in the full-wave circuitry permits power outputs many times the maximum effective power dissipated per trans stor.

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Over-all feedback is provided from output to input with the exception of the output demodulator, which is identical to the feedback demodulator and consists of wire-wound resistors and low-impedance diodes. These stable components are the only ones outside of the feedback loop, thus assuring maximum stability.

The amplifier accepts inputs of 0-5 mv and produces an output of 0.5 v into a 100-ohm load. Linearity is 0.05% of full scale. Long-term stability is  $\pm 0.2\%$  of full scale, and long-term drift is less than  $\pm 5 \,\mu v$  referred to the input. Noise level is less than 5  $\mu v$  peak-to-peak referred to the input.

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**Block diagram** illustrates the true floating input feature of the new amplifiers, with input and output isolated from each other and from ground. **TRUE FLOATING input means the user** can amplify minute voltages from thermocouples, strain-gage bridges, and resistance-bridge transducers. The input is isolated to prevent ground loops in thermocouple circuits, and to prevent paralleling active arms of bridge transducers. Two manufacturers are offering similar units. The Neff amplifier described is an early model and latest specs show a greater output.

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The Kin Tel 114A unit includes an output amplifier to isolate the demodulator output from the load. This permits the use of demodulator circuits which are identical insofar as output filter characteristics are concerned, since the output impedance is unaffected by their operation and the output stage furnishes a constant load for the signal demodulator.

To adequately control a diode demodulator more power is required than is necessary to drive the output load. Transistor demodulators are used in this amplifier since considerably less power is required to control them. More important, the use of demodulator filters with similar characteristics allows overshoot to be held within 3 per cent.

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## Pitfalls in Precision AC Measurements

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Part 2





**Fig. 1.** The circuit illustrates errors introduced by cable capacity and the use of the shield as a conductor.

**Fig. 2.** Cable capacity errors, and the error resulting from the use of a cable shield as a conductor have been eliminated.

All-too-common neglect of the techniques for high precision ac measurements, have often resulted in substantial errors. The first article of this two-part series investigated those errors introduced by ground loops, loading effects, and harmonics in the null. This article discusses three other frequent error sources. A MONG the common errors encountered in precision measurements are: improper connection of cable shields; calibration at an impedance different from that used in the measurement; and cancellation of errors in systems measurements. These errors are examined here in conjunction with the precautions to be observed for avoiding their appearance.

#### **Improper Connection of Cable Shields**

Two errors are often made in connecting cable shields because:

• the cable capacity is not considered as an element in the circuit;

• the cable shield is used as a conductor.

Both errors are illustrated in the circuit of Fig. 1, which is used to measure the transformation ratio of a transformer. Since the transformer is at some distance from the resistance divider, a shielded cable is employed. The cable capacity effectively shunts R and causes the voltage at A to have a lagging phase shift. The capacity of C of the cable cannot be neglected unless the reactance  $1/\omega C$  is sufficiently larger than R at the operating frequency.

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It is poor practice to ground both ends of a shielded cable in a measuring circuit since cable shields should **not** be intended for use as currentcarrying elements. Only one side of the cable should be connected, and the circuit completed by an additional wire.

It was suggested in the previous article, that a disturbing impedance can be eliminated in a measurement circuit by arranging the circuit so

**Fig. 3.** (below) Bridge method measurement of transformer transformation ratio where capacity loading errors have been eliminated using a cathode follower to drive the shield.





Fig. 4. Errors result from the difference in impedance levels of the calibrating device and tachometer which the circuit is designed to measure.

that the voltage across this impedance is zero at the null.

Excellent application of this principle can be made by using a cathode follower to drive the shield at the potential of the inner conductor as in Fig. 2. The voltage across the cable capacity will be reduced to a very small value, and this capacity can be considered nullified. Moreover, the shield does not serve as a conductor.

The same procedure is often helpful in minimizing the capacitance effects in bridge circuits. Consider the bridge circuit of Fig. 3. With a cathode follower gain of 0.98, the capacitance loading of the bridge transformer, and associated cable shields is reduced to 2 per cent. With high gain and feedback, the capacitance effects can be kept at any desirable low.

#### **Calibration Errors**

Since calibration equipment is generally opcrated at very low impedances, appreciable errors can result when this equipment is used to calibrate a test set that normally operates at a high impedance level.

In Fig. 4 the known voltage of a Gertsch voltage divider (accuracy 0.02 per cent) has been substituted in place of the unknown output voltage of the tachometer. In this case, the calibration equipment has a higher input impedance and a lower output impedance than the tachometer that the circuit is designed to measure. As indicated in Fig. 5 errors arise from:

• the internal resistance  $R_i$  of the leads feeding the input terminals  $L_1$  and  $P_2$  of the tachometer; • the impedance loading of the tachometer out-



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put by the input impedance of the test cable which is connected at  $S_1$ .

A circuit designed to simulate the input and output impedance of a tachometer is shown in Fig. 6.

A check of the impedance errors can be obtained by connecting the 1000 ohm, 0.31 henry impedance branch in shunt at terminals  $L_1$  and  $P_2$ , in Fig. 5, and by connecting the 680 ohm, 0.54 henry impedance in series with the test lead at  $S_1$ . The insertion of either one should not cause any change in the reading. The former measures the series resistance  $R_i$  in the lines feeding  $L_1$  and  $P_2$ . In this example, the tachometer draws 100 ma, and as little as 0.01 ohm in the lines leading to  $L_1$  and  $P_2$  will cause a 1 mv error.

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The second impedance at  $S_1$  measures the loading effect of the capacity  $C_c$  of the measuring lead. In a typical case, a cable capacity of 100 µµf has caused as much as a 2 mv error.

Neither of the errors above are apparent in the calibration circuit of Fig. 4, which neglects the difference in the impedance levels.

Experience has shown that test sets which were designed to measure to within 0.5 mv were found to be in error by as much as 6 mv when tested by a method which made allowance for the difference in impedance levels between the measuring and calibrating circuits.

#### **Cancellation of Errors**

By accepting component performance in a system as the only criterion for evaluating the com-



**Fig. 5.** Errors are produced by resistor  $R_t$  and capacitor  $C_c$  when calibration is attempted at an impedance level differing from that used in the measurement.

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Fig. 6. This circuit simulates the input and output impedance of a tachometer.

ponent, one may be a victim of error cancellations within the system. Often it is assumed that cancellation of errors is so rare an event that it may safely be neglected. In precision measurements, this assumption is not valid.

A few examples uncovered by the author in certifying the accuracy of vendors' test equipment are cited to point up this potential source of error.

Linearity Measurement of Tachometers: Manufacturer A preferred to measure the performance of his tachometer by observing its behavior in an integrator loop. Careful measurements of linearity repeatedly gave values of less than 0.05 per cent. Measurement of tachometer linearity on a direct basis (not in a loop) gave values of 0.12 per cent. A check of the integrator loop was eventually made and revealed non-linearities in the integrator loop were cancelling tachometer non-linearities. The manufacturer now advertises a linearity of 0.12 per cent.

Loading Errors: The network of Fig. 6 was designed to test the circuit of Fig. 5 for possible loading effects of the test lead. The network is excited at terminals  $L_1 - P_2$  and the output is measured at terminals  $S_1 - S_2$  using the circuit of Fig. 5. To check for loading errors of the test leads, the output is measured at terminal TR. Any loading error of the test cable will become evident by a difference in reading at terminals TR and  $S_1$  of Fig. 6. No difference was obtained by Manufacturer B in readings at these terminals. However, the existence of a cancelling error was suspected because a presumably identical network gave a different answer. On investigation it d veloped that the 0.54 henry toroid had just the required magnetic coupling with respect to the 115/6 transformer to supply a voltage equal and opposite to the loading error of the test cable. When the coupling was removed, the loading effect of the test cable was revealed.



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Rapid interchange of data is made possible between different types of computers and data processing equipment by means of this computer language translator model ZA-100. Magnetic tapes recorded in the format of one computer can be translated and recorded on another magnetic tape directly useable by a different computer. The computer translator can also convert punched cards or punched paper tape to magnetic tape. Data recorded on magnetic tape can be converted to punched cards, paper tape, or line printer. The needs of a particular system are met by providing the proper combination of available modules. Internal parity checking, marginal checking, and error control features are provided throughout the system. The equipment is available on outright purchase and lease.

Electronic Engineering Co. of California, Sales Dept., Dept. ED, 1601 East Chestnut, Santa Ana, Calif.

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tems. General Electric creative design took it from there. Working with a list of "musts"-such as small size, light weight, top performance, and initial and operating economy – General Electric tube engineers developed new materials and processes that made possible new design approaches. Now the 7077 is ready – electrically, mechanically

No tube like this existed. The industry asked for a UHF amplifier tube for new and critical military appli-

cations in radar, communication, and navigation sys-

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Connectors

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To connect unit, index the pins and push on. A

click assures you that unit is connected. To dis-

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to AN3100, 3101 and 3102 receptacle and

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**Silicon Rectifiers** Peak inverse ratings of 100 to 400 v One of the two families of diffused junction industrial silicon power rectifiers, the pigtail ver-

sion, 1N1569 through 1N1572, carries peak inverse ratings of 100 through 400 v respectively. This family is rated at 1 a dc at room ambient

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AN3106 and 3108 plug in types A, C and E.

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#### AMP PATCHBOARD TECHNIQUE

#### MP TAPER TECHNIQUE



(A) A-MP "53" SERIES TAPER PINS insulated solid, screw machined or uninsulated formed pins to mate with tapered receptacles. Both types provide noise-free, low resistance electrical characteristics.

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A-MP PATCHCORD PROGRAMMING SYSTEMS AND PANELS offer tremendous versatility and flexibility. Exclusive feature of A-MP Systems is wiping action of pins against springs for clean contacts. A-MP Universal Patchcord Programming Systems and Panels are excellent for digital computers, data processing equipment and automatic test equipment, A-MP Shielded Patchcord Programming Systems and Panels are excellent for analog computers, telemetering equipment, test equipment and other low level applications where reliable shielding is required. Patchcords are made in a complete series for all programming requirements.

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Bulletin Number 58

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#### **AMP-Lok MULTIPLE CONNECTORS**



AMP-LOK CONNECTORS ... are made in 3, 6, 9, or 12 circuit units . . . the most versatile multiple connectors available to the electronics industry. Self anchoring units require no extra mounting parts for through-panel applications. All contacts are identical and self cleaning .... recessed for safety. Finger grip engagement and disengagement of housing which is polarized to eliminate circuit error. AMP-lok will accommodate a wide range of panel thicknesses ... may be color coded. AMP-lok may also be used with complete safety as a free hanging multiple connector.

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(A) AMP-EDGE TERMINALS .... assure excellent electrical contact with friction grippage and positive wiping action ... apply easily to any section of the perimeter of the printed circuit board ... reduce cost of application to wire conductor and to board.

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(A) STRATO-THERM TERMINALS AND SPLICES ... for high temperature and heat resistant requirements ... accommodate a wide range of wire sizes either solid or stranded or both ... with or without fully circumferential wire insulation support as desired.

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Bulletin Number 37

stud mounted version, 1N1575 through 1N1578, has peak inverse ratings of 100 through 400 v respectively. This family is rated for 3.5 a dc at room ambient and also carries the high surge rating of 70 a.

Motorola, Inc., Semiconductor Products Div., Dept. ED, 4501 Augusta Blvd., Chicago 51, Ill. CIRCLE 70 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

Potentiometers Only 1/4 in. diam by 11/32 in. long



These microminiature trimmer potentiometers are available as the model MS-1 for stud mounting and as the model MS-2 for lead mounting on printed wiring boards using 0.1 in. grid spacing. Rated at 1/4 w, these units measure 1/4 in. diam by less than 11/32 in. in body length. The units weigh only 0.03 oz.

Miniature Electronic Components Corp., Dept. ED, Plymouth St., Holbrook, Mass.

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AC Millivoltmeter 300 µv to 1 kc

MV-32A ac vacuum tube voltmeter employs vacuum thermo-couple as its rms-responsive meter-rectifier. Accuracy within the basic frequency range of the instrument (50 cps-5 kc) is better than 1/2 per cent, at other frequencies 2 per cent. Total frequency range is 10 cps to 500 kc and total voltage range from 300  $\mu$ v to 1 kv. Calibrator accuracy is 0.1 per cent.

Millivac Instruments, Div. of Cohu Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 2315 Second Ave., Carman, Schenectady 3, N.Y.

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#### **NEW PRODUCTS**

**Power Supply** Rated from 0 to 5 a



Model HC-4 5-a power supply is designed for 105-135 v ac input, 60 cps. Line regulation is within  $\pm 0.2$  per cent. Load regulation is within  $\pm 0.2$  per cent (10 per cent to 100 per cent FL). Ripple is less than 0.1 per cent or 15 mv.

Semcon, Dept. ED, 262 E. 16th St., Paterson 4, N.J.

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Relays Weight but a fraction of an ounce



Designated as series R600 (dpdt) and series RS600 (spdt), these micro-miniature relays will withstand shocks of 50 g and vibration up to 2000 cps at 20 g. Contacts are rated at 2 a resistive, 28 v dc or 115 v ac. Continuous operation is possible throughout a temperature range from -65 to +125 C. The current-sensitive model requires a nominal operating power of only 135 mw for the single pole version and 200 mw for the double pole. The complete relay weighs but a fraction of an ounce.

Iron Firemen Manufacturing Co., Electronics Div., Dept. ED, 2838 S.E. 9th Ave., Portland 2, Ore.



High impedance circuits in Northrop's Snark missile are coated with Silastic RTV for protection against moisture and vibration at temperature extremes. Silastic RTV is easy to apply . . . vulcanizes at room temperature.

#### TYPICAL PROPERTIES OF SILASTIC RTV

Temperature range, °C70 to 260C
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#### **Dow Corning Silicone Dielectrics**



#### ILICONE-GLASS LAMINATES INCREASE LIFE AND DEPENDABILITY

Laminates made by bonding glass cloth with Dow Corning silicone resins have high arc resistance, low loss factor, low moisture absorption, excellent retention of dielectric properties at high temperatures. Strong, lightweight—produced by leading laminators.

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SILICONE FLUIDS PROTECT ASSEMBLIES FROM MOISTURE



Southwestern Industrial Electronics seismographs

A protective film of Dow Corning 200 Fluid spray coated on electronic assemblies protects terminals, clips, switches and other exposed connections from the harmful effects of condensation. Glass and ceramic insulators coated with silicone fluid have low current leakage and a high degree of surface resistivity, even under very humid conditions.

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Nonmelting, nongumming Dow Corning 3 Compound stays in place . . . provides an effective, moisture-proof dielectric seal for all types of electronic equipment. As a potting or filling material for electronic components and assemblies, silicone compounds flow into place with gentle pressure . . . have a serviceable temperature range of -40 to 205 C. Free sample available.



AN Connector Terminals, Navy Helicopter

For further information on these products write Dept. 166 CIRCLE 74 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

Provided with 90 db shielding

Transformer



This transformer has a ratio accuracy of 0.01 per cent with a phase angle error not exceeding 2 min. Output voltages range from 7.2 to 230 v, maintained for any condition of loading. In some combinations of loading, currents of over 2 a may be drawn. First tested at 1500 v for dielectric strength, actual breakdown occurred at 3500 to 5000 v rms.

Osborne Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 712 S. E. Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, Ore.

CIRCLE 75 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

**Digital Voltmeter** 

Range from 0.001 to 1000 v dc



Model 801 is a portable digital voltmeter that measures dc voltages from 0.001 to 1000 v with 0.1 per cent accuracy. Display time is adjustable from 1/10th sec to infinity. Model 801 employs a successive approximation (trial voltage comparison) circuit. Input impedance of the unit is 20,000 ohm per volt.

Kin Tel, Div. of Cohu Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 5725 Kearny Villa Rd., Box 623, San Diego, Calif.

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### Transitron

#### SILICON RECTIFIERS

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SIZE

# Big Performance

IN SMALL PACKAGES

Higher voltage and current ratings are now yours in two compact packages. These hermetically sealed axial lead units are easily mounted in terminal or printed board assemblies, offering real design versatility. They are ideal for a wide range of limited-space applications.

#### Subminiature Glass Types

600 volts • 450ma

Transitron's Subminiature Glass Silicon Rectifiers now pack ratings to 600 volts and 400ma (150ma at 150°C). Rugged and reliable at temperatures to 175°C, these units are thoroughly tested under the most severe operating conditions. They give excellent service in subminiature power supplies, D.C. blocking, high voltage series strings and other applications where space is at a premium.

#### Miniature Types

Ratings of 600 volts and 450ma (200ma at 150°C) are now available in the economical Miniature package — constructed without the wide flange that often interferes with compact mounting in printed circuits. These Miniature types serve well in blocking circuits, power supplies, and such critical applications as magnetic amplifiers, where low inverse leakage is essential.

Туре	Peak Recurrent Inverse Operating Voltage (volts)	Maximum Average Forward Current @ 150°C (ma)	Maximum Average Forward Current @ 25°C (ma)	Maximum Inverse Current @ 150°C (ma)
1N689	600	150	400	.2
1N649	600	150	400	
1N684	400	150	400	.2
1N647	400	150	400	
1N679	200	150	400	.2
1N677	100	150	400	.2

Туре	Peak Recurrent Inverse Operating Voltage (volts)	Maximum Average Forward Current @ 150°C (ma)	Maximum Average Forward Current @ 25 C (ma)	Maximum Inverse Current @ 150 C (ma)
AO91	600	200	450	.5
TJ40A	400	200	450	.5
TJ30A	300	200	450	.5
TJ2OA	200	200	450	.5
AOLLT	100	200	4.50	.5

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#### **NEW PRODUCTS**

#### **Antenna Selector**

Improved model smaller in size



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North American Aviation, Inc. Autonetics Div., Dept. ED, 9150 E. Imperial Hwy., Downey, Calif. CIRCLE 78 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

#### Relay

#### Measures 0.23 cu in.

This subminiature relay equipped with a single operating winding and two change-over contacts. It has been designed for operation from a standard 28 v regulated dc supply. Its size, excluding connection pins, is approximately 0.77 x 0.55 x 0.55 in., corresponding to a volume of 0.23 cu in. Weight is 12.5 gram.

Standard Telephones & Cables. nels Ltd., Radio Div., Dept. ED, Oakind leigh Rd., New Southgate, London. N. 11, Eng.

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#### **Magnetic Modulators**

Low millisecond time constant



The Mag Mod magnetic modulator delivers a phase reversing fundamental frequency amplinde modulated envelope proportional to the poarity and amplitude of an input dc or low fretter quency signal. Hysteresis amplitude is less than  $\pm 0.5$  per cent of full scale signal input. Null or zero drift is less than  $\pm 0.5$  per cent for ambient temperature range of -65 to +135 C.

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General Magnetics, Inc., Dept. ED, 135 Bloomfield Ave., Bloomfield, N.J.

CIRCLE 80 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

#### Selenium Rectifiers

#### Rated from 2.5 to 25 ma

Three selenium rectifiers, 50 per cent smaller, n of are rated at 2.5, 8, and 25 ma. All three models ints. are available in ratings of from 37 to 378 v piv. sult These rectifiers will operate at temperatures rangility. ing up to 110 C. ction

General Electric Co., Dept. ED, Schenectady im 5. N.Y.

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#### Oscillator

Measures one cubic inch



Model 0-22 voltage-controlled subcarrier teleately metering oscillators, little over a one inch cube, ding draws a total of only 25 mw. One volt gives ight

meg and output up to several volts on RDB chanbles nels Resistance to vibration and shock up to 20 g Dak and 2000 cps is specified for most units. don

Dorsett Labs., Inc., Dept. ED, 401 E. Boyd St., Box 862, Norman, Okla.

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# **CONVENIENT CIRCUIT COUPLING** and **BYPASSING**... with the simplest, most inexpensive capacitor design yet produced

Pioneered by Stackpole, these sturdy little units make ideal low-cost coupling, bypass and neutralizing capacitors for TV, radio and military electronic equipment.

Insulated bodies, dielectrics and electrodes are integrally molded for maximum stability and durability. Securely anchored leads are treated for easy soldering. Ranging in size from

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**Electronic Components Division** STACKPOLE CARBON COMPANY St. Marys, Pennsylvania



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# PERMANENTLY STABLE, istors FAR EXCEED PROPOSED MIL-R-

#### **COMPARATIVE DATA REPORT**

Note Exceptional Stability. Note extent that MIL-R-93B is exceeded.

MIL-R-93B (proposed) Tests	MIL Requirement	CTS Maximum	CTS Average	
Short Time Overload	0.5%	.05%	.02%	
Temperature Cycling	0.2%	.05%	.02%	
Moisture Resistance	100 megs 1.0%	1000 megs (min) .1%	.05%	
Salt Water Immersion Cycling	0.5%	.03%	.015%	
Load Life at 125°C or 85°C (500 hours)	0.5%	.15%	.05%	
Temperature Coefficient Less than 2000 ohms 2000 ohms and over	Up to 75 PPM/°C 30 PPM/°C	30 PPM/°C 20 PPM/°C		
Low Temperature Storage	1.0%	.01%	.005%	
Low Temperature Operation	1.0%	.05%	.02%	
High Temperature Exposure (145°C)	1.0%	.05%	.02%	
Acceleration	0.1%	.02%	.008%	
Shock	0.1%	.02%	.008%	
Vibration	0.1%	.02%	.008%	

- No Wire Strain. Unique CTS "floating ele-ment" needs no bobbin or winding form . . . permits resistance elements and contacts to be firmly embedded in epoxy resin . . . forming a monolithic mass with a smaller space factor
- Permanent Stability-Less than .05% average change under most environmental conditions and shelf life.
- 5PPM/°C Temperature Coefficient available.
- 100% Tested-High temperature exposure and short time overload tests are run on all resistors before shipment.
- Guaranteed Close Tolerance Resistors guaranteed to be in tolerance under normal conditions of measurement. Tolerances down  $\pm 0.05\%$  available in standard sizes depending upon resistance value. Closer tolerances and/or matched multiples available. • Low Inductance and Low Capacitance Char-
- acteristics with reproducible uniform frequency response.
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- Modular—Design flexibility permits grouping many resistors in a single unit.

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For help in solving your fixed resistor problems, phone or write your nearest CTS office today.

\*MIL-R-93B (proposed) soon to be issued, superseding MIL-R-93A.



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New "Floating" Element

Type FC

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Type F3B

Type H3C

Type H3F

Type L3H

SPL

Type FA

Type JD

All resistors

shown 1/2 actual size

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**NEW PRODUCTS** 

#### Ammeter

100 amp range, 0.2 per cent ac. curacy



Model CHC de ammeter has an accuracy of 0.2 per cent and plug-in ranges to 100 amp. The doublediamond pivoted, permanent magnet type ammeter has a 6.3 in. handdrawn, mirrored scale. Sensitivity is 50 mv, temperature coefficient is negligible between 20 and 30 C. and period is 1 sec.

Sensitive Research Instrument Corp., Dept. ED, 310 Main St., New Rochelle, N.Y.

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#### **Branching Amplifier**

Provides six output branches



This Branching Amplifier makes possible the connection of several communications receivers to a single antenna without objectionable interaction or degradation of individual circuit performance. The amplifier is designed to terminate properly a 75 ohm coaxial transmission line over the band of frequencies extending from 2 to 32 mc; produce a gain over this band of between 6 and 12 db; exhibit a noise figure of four; limit the amplitude of any spuriously generated signal component to a level not in excess of 60 db below a 10 mv input reference level. ← CIRCLE 83 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

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n addition, the branch-to-branch isc tion is such that any leakage tren the local oscillators of the t oc as ciated receivers is attenuated by at least 35 db at the highest frequincy in the useable band. Six output branches are provided each cupable of feeding a 75 ohm resistive load. A high-pass filter in the input circuit attenuates all components in the region below 1.8 me by at least 30 db.

Siegler Corp., Hallamore Electronics Div., Dept. ED, Anaheim, Calif.

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#### **Circuit Interruptor Bimetal strip construction**

This line of medium-lag fractivity tional amperage circuit interruptors, ent is called Guardsets, can be used for loads up to 5 amp, 250 v or less. A ment built-in visual indication of a New broken circuit, a pop-up button, as well as provision for additional visual or auditory alarms are pro-

> vided. Reset is manual. Littelfuse, Inc., Dept. ED, Des Plaines, Ill.

CIRCLE 86 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

#### Multiplexer

For airborne applications



This series of Minimultiplexers uses transistors, diodes and ferritic elements in such a way that a unit is asynchronous with any sampling rate from 0 to 20,000 samples per second, if one channel is being used, while  $\pm 0.1$  per cent of full scale transfer accuracy is maintained. A 40 channel combination will operate with a maximum frame rate of 500 frames per second. Epsco, Inc., Dept. ED, 588 Com-

mon wealth Ave., Boston 15, Mass. CRCLE 87 ON READER-SERVICE CARD



# A new standard in HYSTERESIS MOTOR DESIGN

SPECIFICATIONS\*

WC2913H

**Turntable** 

Volts

CPS

RPM

H.P.

Weight

Watts Input

**Number of Poles** 

T.P.I. (oz. in.)

T.P.O. (oz. in.)

T.ST. (oz. in.)

Capacitor (mfd)

220 Volts A. C.

41/2"

ing (Mu-Metal)

Amperes

115

60

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1 lb.

\*All specifications are relative to frame

size. The hystoresis series is available in

seven frame sizes from 34" diameter to

\*Can be supplied with magnetic shield-

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WC2913H-1 \*\*

**Tape Recorder** 

60

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1 lb.

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#### **NEW PRODUCTS**

#### Test Set

Low waveform distortion



K series of high voltage test set are available in ranges from 5 to 150 kv. Some of the feature include high power capacity, low waveform distortion and metering directly at high voltage output.

Peschel Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, Towners Patterson, N.Y.

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#### Mercury Switch

#### Resists shock, chemical splash

This nylon-enclosed mercury switch designated 7 MP1-2, has a small operating force and the ability to repeat operation at the same angle of tilt assures precision performance. Dependable switching is offered from -32 to 200 F. Contad arrangement is single-pole single-throw. The switch position, as mounted, determines whether the circuit is to be normally open or normally closed. The switch is rated electrically at 3 a, 115 v dc, resistive load.

Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Microswitch Div., Dept. ED, Freeport, Ill. CIRCLE 91 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

#### Clutch-Brake

Clutch torque range of 100 oz-in.



This magnetically set clutch has a torque range of 100 oz-in. The torque of the brake is 8 oz-in. The unit weighs 15-1/4 oz and can be wound for any dc voltage up to and including 28 v dc.

Stearns Electric Corp., Dept. ED, 120 N Broadway, Milwaukee 2, Wis.

CIRCLE 252 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

#### Silicon Rectifier Easily assembled



The A750 expandable rectifier can be used singly, or assembled instantly into series chains for higher voltage applications. The individual unit is sealed and threaded at each end, so that it can be screwed into bushings or a chassis heat sink, or plugged into a clip holder.

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Each unit is one in. long with an inverse voltage rating of 400 v and maximum forward current of 750 ma. To produce a high-voltage rectifier in a matter of minutes, a number of the units are connected end-to-end with the bushings to form a series chain. Threaded units with current ratings up to 5 a may also be had for similar assembly.

Audio Devices, Inc., Dept. ED, 620 E. Dyer Rd., Santa Ana, Calif. CIRCLE 92 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

#### Galvanometer Analyzer

Features turnover case for ±1 g static balance test



GA-101 portable galvanometer malyzer features a complete check of all galvanometer parameters, including damping, frequency response, static balance, and dc sensitivity.

North Atlantic Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, 603 Main St., Westbury, N.Y.

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**THE NEW 7136** single-anode, high-voltage mercury-vapor rectifier. A plug-in replacement for the 575A, surpassing it in capacity and dependability, with higher peak inverse voltage. Offers trouble-free operation in induction and dielectric heaters.

Peak Inverse Voltage: 15 kv Average Anode Current: 3 amps



**THE NEW 869 BL** heavy-duty mercury-vapor rectifier. Uses short, flexible filament leads to eliminate possibility of high contact resistance. This prevents under-emission and tube damage, and insures proper voltage drop across the filament at all times. Preferred by equipment manufacturers and users for broadcasting, induction and dielectric heating equipment.

Peak Inverse Voltage: 15 kv Average Anode Current: 5 amps



**THE 6786** super-power, grid-controlled, mercuryvapor rectifier. Guarantees precise electronic control for industrial oscillators up to and in excess of 100 kw output. Proven long life in actual field tests.

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to connector screw.

AMPEREX ELECTRONIC CORP., 230 DUFFY AVENUE, HICKSVILLE, LONG ISLAND, N. Y. In Canada: Ragers Electronic Tubes & Components, 11-19 Brentcliffe Road, Leaside, Toronto 17, Ont.



# Sylvania RF-IF Transistors

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

Sylvania's new PNP Germanium Drift transistors feature high output resistance for increased gain at 1.5 mc to 20 mc, low feedback capacitance and high alpha cutoff frequency.

Designed for RF-IF circuits, they open the door to more transistorized electronic equipment operating from the broadcast band to the higher frequencies.

The new Sylvania drift transistors incorporate a diffused base on an intrinsic germanium layer for improved control over base thickness, more uniform base region, lower base resistance and reduced collector capacitance. The end result is superior performance at higher frequencies.

The new PNP drift transistors feature Sylvania welded hermetic seal construction for maximum protection in rugged environments. They are encased in a modified JETEC class 30 case with four flexible in-line leads. The additional center lead is connected to the metal case providing a complete unit shield and interlead shield. Coupling to adjacent circuit components is reduced to a minimum. Call your Sylvania Sales Representative or write direct for information on new Sylvania PNP drift transistors, types 2N247, 2N370, 2N371, 2N372 and 2N544.

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#### NEW PRODUCTS

#### Delay Line Features a mechanical driving system



This variable ultrasonic delay line employs a fused quartz as the delay medium. The unit features a mechanical driving system. The unit has been designed for special purpose use, including target simulator applications and all operations in which control in setting the delay time is vital and bandwidth is required.

Andersen Labs., Inc., Dept. ED, 501 New Park Ave., West Hartford, Conn.

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#### **Power Transistors**

For converter and switching circuits



These transistors have a 5 a maximum current rating and can switch power up to 250 w. Current gain ranges are 15 to 30, 20 to 40 and 30 to 60 at a collector current of 3 a. The transistors have collector-to-emitter breakdown voltage ratings of 40, 70 and 80 v.

Bendix Aviation Corp., Semiconductor Prod., Dept. ED, Long Branch, N.J.

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#### **Multiplex System**

#### Unitized construction

Multiplex system, model FMC consists of an exciter unit, model FME-1, one or two sub-carrier generators, model FMX-1, a power supply for the multiplex exciter, model PS-11, and a separate power supply for each sub-carrier generator model PS-12. Unitized construction is one of the features of this equipment. Each section consists of individual 5-1/4 x 19 in. panels. General Electronic Labs., Inc., Dept. ED, 18 Ames St., Cambridge 42, Mass.

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Drafting Kit Saves 50 per cent drafting time



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Tech-Tac, Inc., Dept. ED, 727 West Seventh St., Los Angeles 17, Calif.

CIRCLE 99 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

#### Flip-flop Module For use in digital shift registers



Transistorized flip-flop model SF 101 is designed for use in digital shift registers and does not require the use of additional components or circuitry in such applications. The model SF 101 is intended for slow speed shift register applications. Maximum shift rate is 2 kc. Power requirements are 5 ma at +20 v and 0.5 ma at -90 v. Computer Control Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 92 Broad St., Wellesley, Mass.

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...Lou G. Dameson, Chief Design Engineer, Cubic Corporation



Manufacturers of radar and other high frequency pulse equipment have long felt the need for a primary standard laboratory instrument to measure RF power in the microwave region. The Cubic Calorimetric Wattmeter, Model MC-1B, was designed particularly to provide you with a highly precise instrument of this type, and one with simple and fundamental instrumentation methods to establish long calibration life.

For example, precision thermometers are used, since they are far more stable and reliable than thermocouple or thermistor temperature-indicating circuits. The high accuracy of the MC-1B is maintained without frequent calibration.

Our Calorimetric Wattmeter consists of two units – a liquid circulator and a water load termination. The circulator unit controls the flow of metered amounts of distilled water through the termination, where RF output is converted to heat by means of a water load. Heat absorbed by the distilled water calorimetric fluid is measured on precision thermometers. A power scale on the termination permits direct, precise power readings in watts. Distilled water is used as calorimetric fluid because of its high dielectric loss characteristics above 1000 mcs. The circulator permits visual monitoring of the fluid flow rate at all times. All parts of the circulator are designed and fabricated to prevent fluid contamination.

Through the use of RF adapters, a match better than 1-15 in VSWR from 2600 to 26,500 mcs is achieved without problems associated with the excitation and propagation of higher order waveguide modes.

Metered fluid flow, precision temperature readings and well designed control of heat transfer permit extreme accuracies of power measurement.

Cubic Calorimetric Wattmeters are being used extensively by industrial and government laboratories. For example, RCA has over 30 of these instruments in use to check out and calibrate magnatrons and radar systems. Hughes Aircraft Company uses the Calorimetric Wattmeter in its laboratories.

Cubic's Calorimetric Wattmeter will prove its accuracy – as no other wattmeter can – in your laboratories, in your plant, or in the field.

For a prove-it-yourself demonstration of how you can obtain consistent, repetitive results in RF measurement, telephone or write,  $\dots$ 



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with Built-in Resistor (18,000 (a patented DIALCO feature) and the NEW High Brightness Neon Glow Lamp NE-51H



#### A New Advance in Pilot Light Design by DIALCO:

Three basic advantages are incorporated in this series of DIALCO assemblies: (1) Built-in resistor for direct use on 125 to 250 volt circuits...(2) New plastic lens designed to give attractive "halo" effect... (3) New High Brightness Neon Glow Lamp NE-51H. This lamp may be operated at about 3 times the level of current

that may be applied to the standard lamp, and it will produce 8 times as much light—with long life! Very low power is required, less than 1 watt on 250 volt circuit. Recommended for AC service only.

NE-51H

Catalog No. 132-408-991H

In the DIALCO assembly, the built-in current limiting (ballast) resistor (18,000 ohms) is completely insulated in moulded bakelite and sealed in metal (U. S. Patent No. 2,421,321)...Small space required—units are available for mounting in 9/16" or 11/16" clearance holes...A wide choice of optional features includes lens styles, shapes, and colors; terminal types; metal finishes, etc....Meet applicable MIL Spec and UL and CSA requirements.



#### **One-Cycle Response**

### Voltage Regulator

**F** EED A 10-VOLT line drop into this voltage regulator and the 1.2-volt deviation at the output will be corrected before one cycle, or 0.02 seconds, can elapse. In other words, input line surge is reduced by a factor of about 8:1, and the resulting output surge is out of the  $\pm 0.25$  per cent regulation band for no longer than the one-cycle response time.

Besides response time, the FRLD750 regulator, manufactured by Sorensen & Co., South Norwalk, Conn., provides an unusual amount of distortion attenuation. Unlike many regulators which often add to input line distortion, this instrument maintains a distortion reduction equal to the transient attenuation of 8:1.

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How distortion attenuation and regulation are achieved simultaneously can be seen in the block diagram. First, the input voltage is compared to a fixed ac voltage reference signal. The resulting difference is amplified by the power amplifier and added in series with the input. This difference signal is composed of a waveform of all harmonics present in the input line, plus some fundamental voltage necessary for regulation. The fundamental voltage is then added either in phase or out of phase to the input, depending



**Regulation and distortion attenuation** are provided simultaneously by the regulator. The error signal from the amplifier is added to the input either in phase or out of phase, but the harmonic content of the signal is always subtracted from the input.



upon a negative or positive variation in the input voltage. A null point is chosen at the center of the range at which the signal is pure distortion. The distortion is always subtracted from the input voltage. Load regulation is achieved by means of feedback through the driver transformer and the power amplifier.

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The ac reference circuit provides a fixed, distortion free ac voltage. This is accomplished by taking a portion of the input voltage and changing it to a pure ac signal. The circuit consists of a phasing network to adjust the signal 180 deg. out of phase with the input line, a limiter network which clips the incoming wave form to a fixed level, a filter circuit which eliminates all harmonics, and an amplifier stage to obtain the proper amplitude.

The amplifier in this regulator is a Class B audio type possessing a high degree of negative feedback. The purpose of the amplifier is solely to bring the difference error signal to the proper power level to achieve voltage regulation and distortion reduction.

The secondary of the output transformer is connected in series 180 deg out of phase with the input line. The action of this transformer either bucks or boosts the input line to achieve regulation. By being out of phase with the input, the amplified difference signal which is fed into this transformer is always subtracted from the input, thus attenuating its distortion.

The  $\pm 0.25$  per cent regulation of the FRLD750 voltage regulation is defined for any combination of load and line changes within load and line limits. These consist of 105-125 v ac input for the 750 va output range and 110-120 v ac for the 1200 va range. In conditions of high input distortion, (2.5 per cent to 10 per cent), regulation accuracy is given as 0.5 per cent over these same ranges.

For more information on this voltage regulator, circle 102 on the Reader-Service card.



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#### What a reaction to the Mark II Thinslide in action!

Never before so many features in one slide. Continuous ball bearing action ... installation without cabinet modification (only 3%" side space required)...will easily support 100 lb. loads...extruded aluminum shapes with stainless steel balls ...locking and tilting mechanisms available...in lengths from 12" to 24"...and prices so modest as to make *all* of your equipment more accessible for servicing and maintenance.

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#### **NEW PRODUCTS**

Pressure Transducer Capable of withstanding 50 a shock



This transducer, measuring only 2.85, by 1.91 by 1.06 in., can provide pressure altitude, true angle of yaw or attack, jump angle, dynamic, or other pressure data to missile autopilot or navigation systems. The low range, 50 psi units are designed for accuracy under high humidity, and in temperatures ranging from -65 to 165 F. Vibrations of 2000 cps at 15 g register less than 1 per cent full scale transducer error. These transducers are able of mechanically amplifying motion 2.8 to 8 times.

The Garrett Corp., AiResearch Mfg. Div., Dept. ED, 402 S. 36th St., Phoenix, Ariz. CIRCLE 104 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

> **Event Recorder** Permits 500 signal changes per sec



Model RE 3610 00 permits recording of 100 channels of sequential or operational information simultaneously. A record of events, their duration and their time relationship to each other, appears on a chart less than 1 msec after the electrical current is switched through the stylus. Rapid response permits up to 500 signal changes per sec. Instantaneous electric selection of eight standard chart speeds with on site or remote operation and a chart speed accuracy within 0.25 per cent of established speed at constant line frequency are featured.

Clevite Corp., Brush Instruments Div., Dept. ED, 3405 Perkins Ave., Cleveland 14, Ohio. CIRCLE 105 ON READER-SERVICE CARD



#### TO NEST IN THE SAND

#### They try to "make life difficult"

The brittle cold of the stratosphere . . . the heat of air-skin friction . . . the acceleration and vibration of launch and flight . . . the unfavorable conditions inherent to storage and handling . . . all these factors can play havoc with a guided missile.

Hughes Research and Development engineers have designed the Falcon air-to-air guided missile to operate under the most severe conditions. Environmental testing (see Sand & Dust Test at left) subjects missiles to extremes in temperature, shock and other trouble-making conditions.

The Falcon missiles, with either infrared and radar guidance systems, measure only about  $6\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter. Complex guidance, control and auxiliary systems of each missile are installed in a space no bigger than a stovepipe.

The research and development skill required to successfully engineer the Falcons typifies the challenge present today in other Hughes guided missile assignments of a more



**Collapsing the time** between missile development and its effective tactical use is a project assigned to the Hughes Tucson Engineering Laboratories.

An immediate need now exists for engineers in the following areas:

Write, briefly outlining your experience, to Mr. Phil N. Scheid,

Hughes General Offices, Bldg. 6-E, Culver City, California.

**Computer Engineering** 

**Crystal Filters** 

**Field Engineering** 

Aerodynamics

**Microwaves** 

classified nature. A few of the areas being emphasized by the Hughes Research and Development Laboratories include missile launchers and power plants, guidance systems, reliability, product design, microwaves, aerodynamics, field test and telemetering, stress analysis and related areas.

High orders of engineering skill are also manifest in other Hughes activities. The commercial area, Hughes Products, has recently announced the development of a numerical control system which will automate a complete and integrated line of machine tools. The Hughes Ground Systems Division has developed a radar antenna which provides three-dimensional target data from a single antenna, transmitter and receiving channel.

Apart from the diversity of activity and the highly rewarding type of work, prospective employees may have confidence in the fact that Hughes will retain its leadership in the field of advanced electronics.



**So advanced** is the test equipment being designed by Hughes engineers in the El Segundo Manufacturing Plant that the test equipment is often as complex as the advanced systems being tested.

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Motor Generator Has tuning fork speed control



Model 2615 15 k va motor generator set has a 400 cps  $\pm 0.1$  per cent frequency regulation. A tuning fork speed control regulates an electromagnetic clutch between a 60 cps induction drive motor and a 400 cps generator.

Varo Mfg. Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 2201 Walnut St., Garland, Tex.

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#### **Phase-Lock Discriminator**

#### Eliminates suppression of signals by noise

Phase-lock discriminator HEC-0162 eliminates suppression of signals by noise, non-linearities introduced by filtering, and thresholding at low signal-to-noise levels. Standard models include all IRIG channels, including the optional wide band (15 per cent deviation) channels.

Hallamore Electronics Co., Dept. ED, Anaheim, Calif.

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Rotary Actuators Load ratings to 100 psi



Designated R-12, this line of aircraft rotary actuators combines 12 standard interchangeable components to provide 40 different units in load ratings to 100 psi and speeds from 0.5 through 50 rpm. Units are available for 115 v, 400 cps ac, or 26 v dc. On either current, maximum operating load is 100 in.-lb, ultimate static load up to 200 in.-lb. Actuator weights are approximately 0.9 lb for the dc unit, 1.1 lb for the ac.

Airborne Accessories Corp., Dept. ED, 1414 Chestnut Ave., Hillside, N.J.

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**Circuit Design** 

Environmental

Vacuum Tubes

1958. HUGHES AIRCRAFT COMPANY

Communications

Reliability



in Printed Wiring is ESSENTIAL . . .

Thousands of printed wiring boards used in the SAGE computer were dry screened at the Kingston, N. Y. plant of I.B.M's Military Products Division.

Photos show panel before and after *dry* screening, and a section of the computer.

**NEW PRODUCTS** 

#### Terminals

For snap-acting switches

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These male quick-connect terminals are 1/4 in. wide, made of 0.032 in. half-hard brass, and are indented for tight connection on switches. They are furnished for straight-on or up to 90 deg angle connection, and fit standard female quickconnect terminals.

W. L. Maxson Corp., Unimax Switch Div., Dept. ED, Wallingford, Conn.

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#### Relay

For 30 a contactor applications



Photos courtesy of I B M

Loads up to 30 a at 30 v dc are switched by the dual coil magnetic latching KG11DG relay. A high shock and vibration relay, it operates on 2.6 w, 12 msec pulses. The contacts transfer in two  $\mu$ sec. The relay operates in ambient temperatures from -65 to +125 C.

Potter & Brumfield, Inc., Dept. ED, Princeton, Ind.

CIRCLE 111 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

#### **Semiconductor Diodes**

#### Utilize unusual materials

The availability of two semiconductor diodes utilizing materials with unusual environmental characteristics has been announced. The first type, FR-1426, employs an internal crystal of aluminum antimonide and has been assigned EIA type no 1N1549. The second type, FR-1731 assigned EIA listing 1N1550, employs indium antimonide as the crystal material. This is the first listing of semiconductors using these materials with the EIA.

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screening, and a the computer. See our demonstration at the Second National Conference on Production Techniques. New Yorker Hotel. New York, June 4-6. Printed Wiring Engineering and Equipment Division of:



rejects are practically nil.

and broken lines are rarely encountered.

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**DSP** is the answer

One of the most important advantages to users of the Dry Screen Process in

producing printed wiring boards is this method's uncanny ability to consistently turn out thousands of panels that need no retouching or reworking. With DSP

DSP's thermoplastic resist is deposited so thoroughly that pinholing, distortion

Our engineering staff can design and lay out for you a complete system for your

specific requirements, incorporating The Dry Screen Process in such a way as to

realize its maximum effectiveness in reliability, flexibility, and capacity at low unit

cost. Single source responsibility for both design and equipment such as we offer

will result in a system made up of matched units-all at a savings in capital outlay.

Although no other technical details on these diodes were available, the company stated that in iddition to time switching applications, these diodes will find wide application where variation in temperature effect must be held to a minimum and where high temperature conditions are encountered making it impossible to use presently available diode types.

Fretco Inc., Dept. ED, 406 N. Craig St., Pittsburgh 13, Pa.

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#### **Magnetic Shift Registers**

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Known as type 92Z, this shift register is intended for use with printed wiring boards in commercial digital electronic equipment. The shift register is protected by a heavy dip coat of a moisture-resistant resin.

Sprague Electric Co., Dept. ED, North Adams, Mass.

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#### Servo Motor

Size 8, measuring 1 in. long



The 700 series size 8 servo motors feature short length with high-torque-to-inertia ratio. Length is 1.062 in. and diameter is 0.750 in. Inputs range from 6 to 57 v and the units operate in an ambient range of -55 to +125 C. Frequency is 400 cps; stall torque, 0.3 oz; inertia, 0.65 gm cm<sup>2</sup>; maxinum power output, 0.45 w; theoretical acceleration (measured at stall), 32,600 rad/sec<sup>2</sup>. Weighs 1.6 oz.

Induction Motors Corp., Dept. ED, 570 Main St., Westbury, N.Y.

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HERMETICALLY

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SPECIFICATIONS D. C. Current SERIES Range .. 1.5A(J-1)-10A(J-2) Peak Inverse Voltage Range 100V to 400V **Approx.** Rectifier Voltage Drop .... 1.25V Approx. Weight SPECIFICATIONS L SERIES D. C. Current LF SERIES Range ..... 1.5A(L)-5A(LF) **Peak Inverse** Voltage Range 100V to 400V Approx. Rectifier Voltage Drop ..... 1.5V Approx. Weight SPECIFICATIONS HIGH CURRENT D. C. Current SERIES Range ..... 20A to 200A **Peak Inverse** Voltage Range 50V to 400V Approx. Rectifier Voltage Drop ..... 1.25V Approx. Weight (Ounces). . 1.3 oz. to 7.0 oz. SPECIFICATIONS TUBE D. C. Current REPLACEMENT Range . . . 25A(HW)-..75A(FW) SERIES **Peak Inverse** Voltage Range 1600V to 4500V Approx. Rectifier

Voltage Drop..... 8V to 10V Approx. Weight (Ounces) ..... 4 oz. to 8 oz.

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D. C. Current
Range 15A(M)2A(K)
Peak Inverse
Voltage Range 360V
Approx. Rectifier
Voltage Drop 1.5V
Approx. Weight
(Ounces)

#### SPECIFICATIONS

D. C. Current
Range5A(M)75A(K)
Peak Inverse
Voltage Range 100V to 600V
Approx. Rectifier
Voltage Drop 1.5V
Approx. Weight
(Ounces)

#### SPECIFICATIONS

D. C. Current
Range
Peak Inverse
Voltage Range . 50V to 600V
Approx. Rectifier
Voltage Drop 1.5V
Approx. Weight
(Ounces)

#### SPECIFICATIONS

D. C. Current
Range
Peak Inverse
Voltage Range 800V to 2800V
Approx. Rectifier
Voltage Drop 2V to 15V
Approx. Weight
(Ounces) 3 oz. to .9 oz.

Write, wire or phone for complete information

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FOTOCERAM circuit board blanks are made photographically. All holes and shapes are produced by simple exposure to light, heat, and an etching operation.

cycles of copper metallizing at 500°F.

and could not find a single blister or

Loss factor 1mc @ 20°C. 0.034

For more information, write for our

1mc @ 20°C. 0.006

1 mc @ 20°C. 5.6

@ 200°C.

@ 200°C. 0.014

@ 200°C. 0.088

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sign of peeling or failure.

Other properties:

**Dissipation factor** 

Dielectric constant

Data Sheet on FOTOCERAM.

#### This is a FOTOCERAM printed circuit

... an unusual new type of printed circuit board

considerations-eliminates problem of

Good adhesion • It takes 12-25 pounds

to peel a one-inch copper strip from

Exceptional pull strength • 1400 pounds

No water absorption • FOTOCERAM'S

warp and twist.

per square inch.

a FOTOCERAM board.

**Reliable through-plate holes** • The good adhesion of the circuit runs applies also to the through-plate holes because both are produced with one plating operation.

**Excellent resolderability** • We have removed and resoldered components over twenty times on a FOTOCERAM board without damage to circuit runs or through-plate holes. And this is *without* using adhesives to bond the copper to the board.

**Dimensional stability** • Rigid structure of FOTOCERAM prevents unusual design

Corning means research in Glass



nonporous-zero water absorption.

No blisters • FOTOCERAM never blisters. We put it through repeated 15-second

> CORNING GLASS WORKS, Bradford, Pa. Electronic Components Sales Department

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NEW PRODUCTS

#### Duplexing Element



Known as the Attenutron, this duplexing element has been successfully tested at 40 mw peak, 80 kw average, and has a very low arc loss. Design and performance characteristics are: recovery time of 3 to 40  $\mu$ sec; broad band; high level attenuation of 30-35 db; and low Q. The Attenutron is available in single or dual gas switching tubes, in all wave guide sizes greater than RG 52.

Bomac Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, Salem Rd., Beverly, Mass.

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#### Krypton

#### In rare gas mixtures

Krypton 85 as an additive to non-radioactive rare gases such as argon, helium, neon, krypton and xenon individually or as mixtures is now available. Kr-85 is not available in pure or concentrated form. The other rare or inert gases, with Kr-85 added, will be available only in Atomic Energy Commission-approved especially marked cylinders.

Linde Co., Div. of Union Carbide Corp., Dept. ED, 30 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N.Y.

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#### Control

Utilizes radioactive material



Betatrol, a liquid level sensor which utilizes a radioactive material in the sensing element, has been designed to provide an actuating signal to control or indicate a predetermined level.

Robertshaw-Fulton Controls Co., Dept. ED, 401 N. Manchester, Anaheim, Calif.

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#### Slugs High Q and high permeability



These threaded ferrite slugs are designed for permeability tuning of inductors, filters and transformers used over the frequency range of 1 kc to several megacycles. These cores are designed for use where a high Q, high permeability core is desired and space is at a premium.

Ferroxcube Corporation of America, Dept. ED. 50 E. Bridge St., Saugerties, N.Y.

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#### Relays

#### Features temperature compensation

Type MTRH time delay relays are available from 10 msec to 120 sec. The relays feature temperature compensation and for special applications, voltage compensation and high speed recovery. Overall dimensions are approximately  $7/8 \ge 1-1/2 \le 1-3/4$  in., and the relay weighs 3 to 4 oz.

Branson Corp., Dept. ED, S. Jefferson Rd., Boonton, N.J.

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#### Pulse Generator Produces 1 µsec pulses



This transistorized pulse generator 1015A produces 0.1  $\mu$ sec pulses of 30 v amplitude, when triggered by external voltage transients. The output amplitude is variable from zero to 30 v, and in both positive and negative polarities. The input is ac coupled and may be triggered by any negative transient of at least 1  $\mu$ sec per 1 v.

Navigation Computer Corp., Dept. ED, 1621 Snyder Ave., Philadelphia 45, Pa.

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Synthane is a material with many useful properties in combination. It's light in weight (half the weight of aluminum). It's an insulator with high dielectric strength, low dielectric losses, excellent insulation resistance. It's easily machined and resistant to chemicals. You'll go far to find one material with all these desirable characteristics.

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If you are interested in a reliable source of laminated plastics, you might remember that after "R" for Reliability comes "S" for Synthane ... and Service.



SYNTHANE CORPORATION, 42 RIVER ROAD, OAKS. PA.

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... are you plagued with these problems?

- 1. LACK OF SKILLED PERSONNEL
- 2. PHOTO-RESIST TOO EXPENSIVE, NOT ADAPTABLE FOR PRODUCTION
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Toroid sizes range from 7/8 to 3 in. with frequencies from 1000 cps to 200 kc. They are available with inductance and Q values to specification. Tolerances range from 5 per cent to 1 per cent.

Barker & Williamson, Inc., Dept. ED, Canal St. & Beaver Dam Rd., Bristol, Pa.

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#### **Event Recorder**

68 or 44 recorder channels



This recorder is a multi-channel instrument for recording occurrences of an on-off nature. Two recorder sizes are available, either 68 or 44 recording channels.

Lindly & Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 248 Herricks Rd., Mineola, N.Y.

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#### **Test Systems**

#### Modular units for automatic systems

The purpose of the series 1000 automatic test system is to perform go-no-go tests of electrical or electromechanical equipment on an automatically programmed basis. It supplies control and data signals to the equipment under test, converts the equipment's response signals to a form suitable for evaluation, and evaluates the con-

verted responses for presentation to go-no-go display devices or recording equipment. Applicuble modules may be assembled into test sets for specific purposes permitting flexibility and interchangeability. Included in the system are translator modules, selector modules, programming and control modules, display devices, and power sources and standards.

Associated Missile Products Co., Dept. ED, 2709 N. Garey Ave., Pomona, Calif. CIRCLE 127 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

#### **Jack Inserts** Locks self permanently into chassis



Pushlock molded nylon tip jack requires no threads, nuts or lock washers. When the fluted nvlon body is pushed through a 1/4 in. cabinet or chassis hole by drill press, arbor press or other mechanical means, the flutes compress, then expand to provide positive holding action that requires approximately 50 lb pull to release. Whitso, Inc., Dept. ED, 9330 Byron St., Shiller

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Duplexer



Model W163-1C-1 rotation duplexer weighs only 7 oz, offers a frequency range of 9.2 to 9.4 kmc with isolation at 20 db min and insertion less of .5 db max. It permits both transmission and reception. Other features include: vswr of 1.25 max; maximum power absorbed in load at 12 w and peak power at 10 kw. Exact size is: 2-3/4 x  $3.037 \times 2-3/4$  in.

Kearfott Co., Western Div., Dept. ED, 14844 Oynard St., Van Nuys, Calif.

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# you get fast delivery on these **BROWN COMPONENTS**

#### for instrument, servo or control circuits



#### for chart drives, servos, balancing circuits

These newly-designed synchronous and two-phase Brown motors have many maintenance saving features: new, sectioned die-cast housing . . . new wicking to prevent oil leakage . . . printed circuits . . . ball bearings to reduce friction. You can replace any part in two minutes, usually without disconnecting the leads from your installation.

#### **TWO-PHASE INDUCTION**

Nominal No Load RPM†	Gear Ratie	Intermittent Rated Load (ozin.)	Max. Start- ing Torque (ozin.)	Pewer (watts) Lesded††	Current (amps) Loaded	Temp. Rise Deg. F.
330	44:1	4	10	7.6	.11	70
148	10:1	5	20	7.0	.11	70
44	30:1	15	50	7.6	.11	70
22	60:1	30	120	7.6	.11	70

#### SYNCHRONOUS

RPM†	Gear Ratie	Pull-In Torque, Min. (02in.)	Continuoos Torquo (ozin.)	Pewer (watts) Leaded	Current (amps) Loaded	Temp. Rise Reg. F.
180	10:1	12	12	19	.21	100
180	10:1	3.5	4	13	.11	65
90	20:1	14	12	11	.095	55
60	30,1	13.5	12	13	.11	65
30	60:1	27.5	12	13	.11	65

†1/6 less at 50 cycles. Some speeds available at 25 cycles. tt6.0 watts in field winding, balance in amplifier winding



#### BROWN Electronik AMPLIFIERS\*

Amplify a d-c or a-c microvolt input signal sufficiently to drive one field of a two-phase balancing motor. Brown amplifiers have extremely low stray pickup, excellent stability, adjustable sensitivity and fast response. Proved in thousands of ElectroniK instruments.

#### SELECT FROM THESE BASIC MODELS

Nominal Gain	Sensitivity (Microvolts)	Nominal Input Impedance (Ohms)
1 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	4.0	370, 1400, 50,000
4 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	1.0	370, 2500
12 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	0,4	2500
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\*The sale of this device does not carry with it a license under any of our combination patents covering apparatus in which this device may be used.

For additional details, call your nearby Honeywell field engineer. He's as near as your phone.

MINNEAPOLIS-HONEYWELL REGULATOR Co., Industrial Division, Wayne and Windrim Avenues, Philadelphia 44, Pa.



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# UAP COLD PLATE controls TRANSISTOR junction temperature!

# minimizes transistor derating for thermal conditions . . .

UAP cold plate U-521330, designed for Collins Radio Company, dissipates heat generated by power transistors used in ground and airborne electronic circuits. The heat is transferred across a pressure thermal contact to cooling air. The cold plate controls the transistor junction temperature within operating limits compatible with the installation. Therefore, transistor derating is minimized.

The cooling air, which is forced through the cold plate, can be ducted from an air cycle refrigeration system; a ram air supply; an air manifold within the electronic compartment or a pressurized equipment package.

The aluminum cold plates are bonded by UAP's dip braze method which produces extremely lightweight assemblies with maximum heat transfer area within the core. Cold plates can be used individually or assembled in manifolded banks.

#### DESIGN PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS OF U-521330 COLD PLATE

Air flow: 7 lbs. per hr.

Air pressure drop: 0.25'' H<sub>2</sub>O corrected to .0765 density Temperature drop in cold plate:  $1.5^{\circ}$ C per watt dissipated Weight: Approximately 1 oz.

Performance characteristics can be modified to requirements.

For complete information call the nearest UAP Contractual Engineering Office

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Clutch

**NEW PRODUCTS** 

Magnetic clutch model SAC 181 has a flexible membrane pole shoe assembly, which provides a torsionally rigid unit having zero backlash and zero residual drag and allows an angular misalignment up to 3 deg between the driving and driven shafts. The overall diameter of the clutch is 1-13/16 in., and the axial length, including mounting hubs, is 1-15/16 in. Rated to deliver a torque of 7 in.-lb at full power, its power consumption is under 4 w.

Dial Products Co., Dept. ED, 9 Avenue E, Bayonne, N.J.

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Accelerometer Ranges of ±1 g to ±70 g



Three miniature linear accelerometers are accurately oriented to measure acceleration in three different directions. Only one input is required to all three units. The accelerometers are available in ranges from  $\pm 1$ g to  $\pm 70$ g, or unsymmetrical ranges are available in any combination desired. Output potentiometers can be provided with from 500 to 5000 ohm resistance. Accuracy is from 1 to 2 per cent, depending on range. Total weight is about 1 lb.

Humphrey, Inc., Dept. ED, 2805 Canon St., San Diego 6, Calif.

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#### STANDARD BORG COMPONENTS TO MEET YOUR SPECIAL DESIGN NEEDS

#### **MICROPOTS** — Precision Potentiometers

1-turn, 3-turn, 10-turn, single or ganged, with or without rear shaft extension, single or double servo mount or bushing mount to meet your special design needs. Complete line of Trimming Micropots.

**MICRODIALS** — Precision Turn-Counting Dials Direct-reading dials in 10-turn, 100-turn and 1,000turn models. Concentric scale 10-turn dials.

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#### STANDARD BORG MICROPOTS TO MEET YOUR SPECIAL DESIGN NEEDS



#### A QUALITY MICROPOT<sup>\*</sup> WITH MANY ADVANTAGES

#### BORG 205 SERIES, 10-TURN MICROPOTS

Borg's 205 Series 10-Turn Micropots have proved themselves exceptionally rugged and dependable through years of service in many different mobile and stationary applications. The Borg 205 Series is designed to meet more exacting electrical and environmental specifications for both commercial and military applications. Study the advantages of Borg 205 Series 10-Turn Micropots . . .

- 1. Permanent accuracy because resistance wire is precision positioned and moulded integrally with housing . . . it's locked in place.
- 2. Terminals are exceptionally rigid because they too are moulded integrally with housing.
- 3. Two bearings support rotor assembly assuring precise positioning of moving contact.
- 4. Permanently accurate settings due to double thread, precision lead-screw guiding the moving contact.
- 5. Terminals are soldered to ends of resistance element before moulding.
- 6. Anti-backlash spring in contact guide gives accurate setting and resetting.
- 7. Fine resolution because of 431/2'' Kohlrausch winding in helical element.
- 8. Each Micropot is machine tested for linearity at 100 points.

#### A PRECISION MICROPOT AT A COMPETITIVE PRICE

BORG 1100 SERIES, 10-TURN MICROPOTS

Borg 1100 Series, 10-Turn Micropots enable you to mass-produce precision equipment with greater price advantage in your markets. High quality commercial Micropots at competitive prices. Reduce your production costs with Borg 1100 Series Micropots!

#### TRIMMING MICROPOTS FOR SUBMINIATURE CIRCUITS

#### 990 SERIES

Borg 990 Series Trimming Micropots provide accurate voltage adjustments in critical electronic circuits. Extremely small, they fit readily into subminiature circuits. They are wire wound and adjustable . . . permanently sealed against dust or salt laden air. Can be mounted individually or stacked to give designers the greatest possible latitude.

#### SUBMINIATURE ... PRECISE RESOLUTION .... STABLE UNDER ADVERSE ENVIRONMENTS

- 1. Screw-driver adjusts complete range in 40 turns.
- 2. Contact carrier assembly drive prevents damage when either end of linear excursion is reached.
- 3. Wide range of resistance values from 10 to 50,000 ohms. Other values on special order.

#### BORG 900 SERIES MICROPOTS PROVIDE A FLEXIBILITY TO MEET SPECIAL DESIGNS Single-Turn, 3-Turn, 10-Turn Models

Borg 900 Series Micropots have long been preferred for many applications in aircraft instruments, radar and sonar equipment, missile launching controls, electronic devices, computers and various types of scientific and industrial apparatus.

Borg offers a complete line of these high-precision, linear Micropots in 10-turn, 3-turn and single-turn models. The 900 Series created a new standard for multi-turn potentiometers. Borg 900 Series Micropots are more accurate, offer finer resolution, lower torque, longer life and greater versatility of application. Available in any quantity.

The following options of standard Borg 900 Micropots illustrate the extreme flexibility in this series. These standard models meet most special needs.

- Ten-turn Micropots in one, two or three gang models.
- Three-turn Micropots in one, two, three, four or five gang models.
- Single-turn Micropots in one, two or three-gang models.
- Single or double shaft on all models.
- Servo mount on either or both ends of all 3-turn and 10-turn models.
- Bushing mount on either or both ends of all 3-turn and 10-turn models.
- Any of three standard types of linearity.
- Available in all common resistance values.
- As many as nine additional taps available.

The flexibility of Borg 900 Series Micropot design enables standard models to fit special design needs.



#### LOOK AT THE FLEXIBILITY OF BORG 10-TURN MICROPOTS

Identical Models up to Five-Gang Available in Borg 3-Turn Series Similar Models Available in Borg Single-Turn Series



#### ELIMINATE FORCED-FAST-READING AND SETTING ERRORS WITH BORG MICRODIALS



Research proved that forced-fast-reading and setting of turncounting dials is the primary cause of error in reading perception. Human engineering studies determined that inline digital presentation provides the highest accuracy of perception when forced-fast-reading and setting is required. These facts led to the development of Borg 1300 Series Direct-Reading Microdials.

To provide greatest sensitivity and accuracy, the control knob is mounted directly on the shaft to be controlled. This eliminates backlash. A finger-tip brake was developed to retain settings.

Borg 1300 Series Direct-Reading Microdials are available in 3-digit, 10-turn models counting from 0 to 999, 4-digit, 100-turn models counting from 0 to 9999 and 5-digit, 1000-turn models counting from 0 to 99999.

#### CONCENTRIC SCALE MICRODIALS

Borg Concentric Scale Microdials have an indexed accuracy of one part in 1000. They indicate the position of any multiturn device of 10-turns or less. Direct-reading concentric scales indicate full turns and increments. Finger-tip brake retains any setting. Knob fastens directly to shaft . . . no backlash. Accurate . . . easy to read . . . easy to install.

#### BORG 1000 SERIES INSTRUMENT MOTORS SYNCHRONOUS AND INDUCTION WITH AND WITHOUT GEAR TRAIN

Borg-Motors bring to the electrical industry a line of fractional horsepower motors for recorders, instruments and timing devices. They have a long history of excellent performance in the Borg Time-O-Graph Watch Rate Recorder and other precision equipment. Borg-Motors are totally enclosed, using precision machined die cast alloys for end bells and gear train cases.

The die cast rotor, mounted on two ball bearings, assures longer life and continued accuracy. Standard gear train models have only the gear train shaft extension.

Capacitors are priced separately for each Borg-Motor.

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#### Potentiometers Values up to 100,000 ohm



Model HP 101-AD ten-turn potentiometer is available in resistance values up to 100,000 ohm and with linearity up to 0.5 per cent. These potentiometers are low-noise types and will dissipate 3 w at 40 C derated to 0 at 100 C. The case measures 1 in. diam and 1-19/64 in. long. The potentiometers perform over a temperature range of -85 to 185 F and under extremes of shock, vibration and acceleration. These potentiometers are also available in 5-turn, 3-turn and single-turn types with servo mounting as well as various shaft configurations.

Hubbard Potentiometers, Inc., Dept. ED, 1242 E. Transit St., Pomona, Calif.

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#### Shields For large power type

tubes

These large power tube heat-dissipating shields are used with matching IERC bases which provide a simple and efficient on or off twist-lock assembly. Friction fit between outside wall of shield skirt to inside surface of base makes good heat transfer through base and into chassis or heat sink.

International Electronic Research Corp., Dept. ED, 145 W. Magnolia Blvd., Burbank, Calif.

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### GLOBE A.C. MOTORS / GEAR REDUCERS / PACKAGES

In precision miniature motors, gear reducers, and small-package devices using clutches, brakes, and other components, Globe Industries has the hardware to meet your requirement. From a single source you can get fast 2 to 4 week prototype delivery of standard units. Modular design, interchangeable precision parts, and an efficient special order department are specific, unique reasons why you get what you need before your design grows cold.

Three basic A.C. motors are shown above. With their integral gear reducers they reliably span the torque range to more than 2000 in. oz. Custom modifications are a specialty.

Globe motor packages were chosen for the Army's Jupiter C, and as you read this, at least one such package is circling the earth. Ask the largest precision miniature motor manufacturer first. Request the Globe A.C. Motor Catalog now. GLOBE INDUSTRIES, INC., 1784 Stanley Avenue, Dayton 4, Ohio. BAldwin 2-3741.



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# new!...printed circuit Continental 9<sup>27</sup>/<sub>32</sub>" long Connector

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Again, Continental Connector proves'its reliability and engineering know-how with this remarkable new printed circuit connector. Overall length is actually 927/32"... the longest, single piece precision molded connector known!

Standard molding compound is high impact reinforced glass Alkyd (other molding materials available on request). 34 contacts have .250" spacing including heavy barriers for extra protection and long creepage path. Patented "Bellows Action" contacts are conservatively rated to accept printed circuit board thickness of .054 to .072", while maintaining low contact resistance and positive spring action grip over entire printed circuit contact area. Maximum board length is 834". Self-alignment of "Bellows" Contacts\* allows for any residual warpage of printed circuit board. An anodized aluminum shield for dissipating heat is available as an optional accessory when required (see illustration). Our engineering staff is available for developing other unique design printed circuit connectors that may solve your special connector problems. For complete technical specifications, write to Electronic Sales Division, DeJUR-Amsco Corporation, 45-01 Northern Boulevard, Long Island City 1, New York.

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**Printed Circuit Connector** with board inserted

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**NEW PRODUCTS** 

### **Analog-Digital Converter**

Speed of 6000 conversions per sec



This transistorized analog-to-digital converter operates at the rate of 100,000 bits per second (a 13 bit word would require 130 µsec), has an accuracy of  $\pm 0.05$  per cent of full scale ( $\pm 1/2$  digit), and a minimum full scale of 5 v. Acceptance of bipolar inputs from -5 to +5 v dc with automatic indication of polarity is optional. Output is in 1-2-2-4 binary decimal code; however, any other conventional code can be supplied. Both serial and parallel outputs are available. Parallel data ouptut is 500 µa at 4 v. Higher power output can be supplied.

Fischer & Porter Co., Dept. ED, 641 Jacksonville Rd., Hatboro, Pa.

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### Oscilloscope Screen area of $1-1/4 \times 3$ in.



Panelscope model P-1 consists of a cathode ray tube having a useable screen area of  $1-1/4 \ge 3$  in., a high-voltage power supply, a cathode ray tube escutcheon with positioning, beam and focus controls and a variable edge lighted graph screen with an ambient light filter. The indicator panelscope model P-100 consists in addition a selenium rectifier type low-voltage power supply for positioning and second anode adjustment only. Thus the spot may be positioned. The sensitivity of both models is 56 v peak to peak per inch vertical and 80 v peak to peak per inch horizontal.

Waterman Products Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 2445 Emerald St., Philadelphia 25, Pa.

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### Accelerometers

Employs torque generator restraint for accuracy



Torque generator linear accelerometers measares only 2 in. diam. Accuracy is assured in these units through use of torque generator restraint in place of the usual torsion bar. The unbalance weight is housed in a hermetically sealed cylinder, which, in turn, is fully floated in exact equilibrium in a high density viscous fluid. This flotation process serves to remove all load from the jewelled bearings, while at the same time providing viscous damping and shock absorption. Torque generators can be supplied for either ac or de operation.

Reeves Instrument Corp., Commercial Products Dept., Dept. ED, 207 E. 91st St., New York 28, N.Y.

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### **Pot Cores**

### Has 🛨 1 per cent tolerances

These ferrite pot cores have permeability tolerances of  $\pm 1$  per cent. Cores are available in diameters ranging from 5/8 to 1-3/4 in. for frequencies from 1 kc to 4 mc. Typical permeability values and tolerances are: 150  $\pm 3$  per cent, 80  $\pm 2$ per cent, 45  $\pm 1$  per cent.

Ferroxcube Corporation of America, Dept. ED, Saugerties, N.Y.

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### Switch

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This waterproof switch has a stay-on, stay-off feature similar to a toggle switch without the conventional toggle switch mechanism. Electrical rating is 15 amp resistive at 115 v ac with an expected life of at least 25,000 cycles.

Control Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 306 Sussex St. Harrison, N.J.

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Announcing General Electric Textolite 11574

# New self-extinguishing epoxy paper

Ideal for printed circuits, unique paper-base laminate quenches fire in one second in UL flame test

... exceeds NEMA XXX-P requirements ... machines freely at room temperature

Do you have a high-reliability application that's too tough for conventional paper-base laminates? Self-extinguishing Textolite 11574 may solve the problem. Check these extraordinary properties:

Electrical: one million megohms insulation resistance in humidity. Mechanical: about twice the flexural and impact strengths of NEMA XXX-P standards. Physical: best cold-punchability of any highpressure laminate General Electric has ever tested; clean, precise pierced and blanked parts.

Consult Sweet's Product Design File, Catalog 2b/Gen for technical data on the full line of reliable Textolite laminates. Fabricated parts come to you from independent *local* fabricators (listed in the Yellow Pages under "Plastics"), geared to give you speedy delivery. For expert help with special problems, write to Technical Service, Laminated Products Dept., Section ED-86, General Electric Co., Coshocton, Ohio.



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# HEATING BLANKETS

and Other Woven Heating Elements



Inherent in the rapid, unremitting advance of present-day technology is a growing need for accurately controlled delivery of heat in many industrial and military applications. SAFEWAY heating blankets or woven-wire heating elements can be designed specifically to fill countless of these needs. Indicative of their broad potential are the diversified purposes they are already serving with complete success.

In the field of missiles and rockets, fuels, propellants and launchers are kept at operational temperatures with controlled heat.

Airframe manufacturing utilizes heating blankets for both honeycomb and metal-tometal bonding.

Component aircraft parts . . . gyros, cameras, computers, servos, batteries, antennas, to name just a few . . . must be heated when exposed to the freezing environment at the altitudes at which jets fly. Also needed at low operating temperatures are de-icing units for propellers, wings, vertical fins and horizontal stabilizers.

Apparent, too, is the marked growth in the usage of heating blankets to satisfy winterization needs and demands of certain types of refrigeration units for satisfactory defrosting methods.

If it has to be heated (and the "it" can be just about anything), you can rely on SAFEWAY engineers to study your problems and — without any obligation — submit an appropriate recommendation.



NEW PRODUCTS

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This in-line display unit displays any letter A through Z, any number 0 through 9, and + or - symbols. Characters are of uniform size and intensity, and good readability is insured from any angle of viewing. The size of the character displayed is approximately 7/8 in. high and 5/8 in. wide. Size of the viewing screen is 1-15/16 in. high and 1-9/16 in. wide.

Industrial Electronic Engineers, Dept. ED, 3973 Lankershim Blvd., N. Hollywood, Calif. CIRCLE 145 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

### Power Supply Features short-circuit protection



These transistorized power supplies feature electronic short-circuit protection, 100 per cent wire-wound MIL-type resistor complement, at least 25 per cent derating of all components, and internal blower cooling.

NJE Corp., Dept. ED, 345 Carnegie Ave., Kenilworth, N.J.

CIRCLE 146 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

### Capacitors

### Tantalum and electrolytic aluminum types

The polarized type dry electrolytic foil tantalum capacitor has capacity ratings from 0.3 to 200 mf and working voltages from 6 to 150 v at 50 C and 4 to 100 v at 85 C. The monopolarized types have capacity ratings from 0.15 to 100 mf at the same voltage ratings. The wet electrolytic sintered anode tantalum polarized capacitor has

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capacity ratings from 3.5 to 325 mf at 6 to 75 v of erating from -55 to 100 C. The solid electrolyte sintered anode tantalum polarized capacitor has capacity ratings from 2 to 240 mf and the working voltage from 4 to 35 v. The line of dry electrolytic aluminum capacitors have capacitics from 1 to 200 mf at 3 to 250 v operating over a temperature range of -40 to 70 C.

International Telephone & Telegraph Corp., Components Div., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 412, Clifton, N.J.

CIRCLE 147 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

Converter

Changes 28 v dc to 400 cps



Model D-400 converts a dc voltage of 24 to 30 v to 400 cps with an output of 10 w. Other models provide for various dc input voltage between 100 v and 19 v.

The Standard Electric Time Co., Dept. ED, 97 Logan St., Springfield, Mass.

CIRCLE 148 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

### Circuit Breaker

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Klixon D6752-5 circuit breaker will carry rated current at 250 F, and 115 per cent of rating at 77 F and -60 F. Other features include: maximum weight of 0.2 lb; standard life of approximately 10,000 cps; high rupture capacity at 2500 a. 400 cps, 115/200 v ac and 6000 a, 28 v dc; and designed to trip at not more than 138 per cent at 250 and 77 F, and 160 per cent at -60 F.

Metals and Controls Corp., Spencer Thermostat Div., Dept. ED, Attleboro, Mass.

CIRCLE 149 ON READER-SERVICE CARD





Reverse current: 10<sup>-7</sup> amp. Rectification ratio: 10,000,000:1 Now...new efficiency for TV power supplies with dependable diodes of Du Pont Hyperpure Silicon

More efficient power supplies . . . savings in space and weight . . . important reasons why TV manufacturers are replacing conventional rectifying systems with silicon diodes. Today, several types of silicon diodes and rectifiers are readily available for TV circuits. TV manufacturers have tested silicon rectifiers and report no noticeable change in output voltage under continuous load conditions over long periods of time. Silicon components can operate in ambients from -65° to 150° C. They maintain excellent electrical stability and resist aging.

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available with ratings from 1 to 1,000 amperes and more than 600 volts rms.

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### ENGINEERING NEWS

### **Space-Saver Toggle Gives Big Switch** Performance



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in One Unit Only 1/1." x 3%"

by  $1\%_2$ " long. It weighs less than  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. Yet it breaks 5 amp. resistive loads at 28 volts dc (2½ amps @ 115 v ac) for 50,000 operations.

Best of all, Hetherington's teaseproof cam-roller snap-action gives the T3103 the "feel" of a real heavy-duty switch. Details are in Data Sheet S-3a.

CIRCLE 200 ON READER-SERVICE CARD **Relay, Switch, and Pilot Light Functions** 

This "control engineer's delight"

does the work of two conventional switches plus a holding relay and an indicator light. All of this is ac-

complished in only a fraction of the

space, weight, and wiring needed

built-in 28-volt solenoid holds the

switch on contact until either the

coil circuit is externally interrupted

or the button is pulled out. A

built-in indicator light shows when the coil circuit is energized.

Modifications of this basic Heth-

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Once the button is pressed, a

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### The Switch Design That Says "NO FOOLIN"

### No Tease ... No Deceptive Clicks

Higher ratings in smaller, lighter-weight switches are made possible by this little beryllium device . . . the heart of every Hetherington snap-action switch.

A polished tapered rod operates through two compression springs in the shorting bar and against the return spring. Its lightning-fast, double-break snap action reduces arcing and contact welding to negligible proportions-even with high momentary overloads. Contact pressure is actually greatest at the point of "make" or "break" thus preventing deceptive "clicks" or contact teasing.



### **W-I-D-E** Angle Visibility from Indicator Lights only 11/4" Long

Almost 50 percent of the surface of these tiny units is useful illuminated area. Thanks to a speciallybeveled lens cap, light is "piped" evenly throughout the entire lens. Full 180-degree visibility is assured on either standard or edge-lit panels.

These miniature Hetherington Series L6000 lights come in both 2-terminal ungrounded, or 1-terminal case-ground styles. Single piece terminals and contacts cannot be torn loose by heavy wires. Request Bulletin L-2b.

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Over 455 PRECISION push-button Switch Types

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cuits despite severe shock and vibration. The assembly is rated at 350 F continuous operation. All 15 slip rings and shielded wires are high pressure molded into one integral assembly. The units provide 10 to 15 million revolutions of noisefree operation at 6000 rpm.

Slip Ring Company of America, Dept. ED, 3612 W. Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles 16, Calif. CIRCLE 152 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

### **Test Shield**

Substitutes for screen-room



Type G-1 is engineered to replace a full-size, calibrated radio compass screen room. Weighing only 35 lb, the test shield can be powered by any standard signal generator. It produces a source of calibrated field strength together with dummy sense antennas of 25, 50, 100 and 150 µµf.

Transdyne Corp., Dept. ED, 58-15 57 Drive, Maspeth 78, N.Y.

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### Fans No vibration resonance below 1000 cps



Hi-Mode Series D four and five bladed allduminum fans, available in six diameters from 4 to 8 in., have been tested without blade resonance under applied frequencies of 1000 cps. These fans not only will not resonate at any external vibration excitation below this frequency, but will permit continuous operation at higher speeds and consequently higher air outputs. Torrington Manufacturing Co., Air Impeller Div., Dept. ED, Torrington, Conn. CIRCLE 154 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

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### **Silicon Rectifiers** Feature 750 ma to 55 C



Type K silicon rectifiers feature 750 ma to 55 Voltage ratings are 100, 200, 300 and 400 piv. Tarzian, Inc., Sarkes Rectifier Div., Dept. ED, 415 N. College Ave., Bloomington, Ind. CIRCLE 155 ON READER-SERVICE CARD



### Rheostat **Features** fine

adjustment

Mikrohm rheostats of the 310 series are available in resistance ranges of 0.25 to 3.0 ohm with maximum current ratings of 0.25 to 1.0 a. The minimum insertion resistance is approximately 10 per cent of the maximum resistance of the rheostat.

Superior Electric Co., Dept. ED, Bristol, Conn. CIRCLE 156 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

# Westinghouse Roberts Test Technique Frees Reject-Strangled Production...

YOU CAN BE SURE ... IF IT'S Westinghouse

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Perfectly paired Hipermag<sup>\*</sup> cores boost magnetic amplifier output



Mr. Cliff Horstman checks performance readings for Hipermag cores using the Roberts Dynamic Tester. This production-line test eliminates costly and complicated testing at your plant. After the Roberts test, Hipermag cores are "pegged" here according to their performance characteristics. This practice assures perfect performancematching every time.

A very high reject ratio was strangling magnetic amplifier production at the plant of a large eastern manufacturer. Analyzed by the company's own engineers, the problem was found to be a case of inadequate core matching. A core-matching specification based on sine current dynamic testing was attempted. However, since the application was a voltage regulator using voltage reset, the problem of matching maximum permeability to the required tolerances was practically insurmountable for production-line testing.

After Westinghouse engineers analyzed the problem, it was decided that matching cores at zero control point with the Roberts tester would help obtain the desired high yields.

Production-run cores matched by this procedure were flown to the manufacturer from the Westinghouse Greenville plant. These cores resulted in an immediate improvement in production-line performance.

The Roberts core-matching technique provides the closest approach to magnetic amplifier design for commercial testing of cores that exists today. This testing technique on standard Hipermag cores provides performance tailored to your magnetic amplifier application.

Let our engineers help you with your magnetic amplifier production problems. Call your Westinghouse representative . . . or write Specialty Transformer Department, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, P.O. Box 231, Greenville, Pa. \*Trade-Mark J-70873

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### **NEW PRODUCTS**

### Annunciator Operates without relays



This annunciator for monitoring complex automatic systems uses static-magnetic controls instead of the relays used in conventional annunciators. The annunciator's plug-in design makes it possible to change sequences without rewiring.

Panellit, Inc., Dept. ED, 7401 N. Hamlin, Skokie, Ill. CIRCLE 159 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

Erase Head 55 db erasure



This low power erase head is especially suited for use with transistor circuitry. With 0.5 va current, 55 db erasure is obtained. The unit is designed to permit ganging to obtain 2-track and 4-track erasure.

Michigan Magnetics, Inc., Dept. ED, Vermontville, Mich.

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### Plugs Varied 7 and 9 pin types



Model M-1037 is available in 7 and 9 pin versions. Model M-1000-1 accommodates 300 ohnu

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lead or other special wires. Model M-1002-4 accommodates 18 SPT 1, 20 XT, and other special wires. Model M-1025 is molded in vinyl and will accept XT cord only.

Phalo Plastics Corp., Dept. ED, 25 Foster St., Wo cester, Mass.

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Relay Analyzer Tests relays under actual contact loading



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Model 140 has been designed to check every phase of relay operation. A cycling circuit permits automatic cycling of the relay at a rate selected by the operator. Adapters to accommodate various relay types may be plugged into the front panel. These are designed so they may contain switches for special measurement, such as analyzing relays with 8 from "C" contacts.

Schmeling Electronics, Dept. ED, 20 First St., Keyport, N.J.

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### Bandpass Filter Gives sharp low-high cutoff

This toroidal bandpass filter is available with a flat response through a 3 kc passband and sharp low-high cutoff. Frequencies range from 17.2 to 20.2 kcs. Designated as model 360B, unit is hermetically sealed and measures  $2-1/4 \times 2-3/4$  $\times 3-7/8$  in. Input impedance unbalanced is 20,-000 ohms, output 20,000. Maximum operating voltage 500. The 360B has an insertion loss at 18.5 kcs of 6 dbs with a minimum stop-band attenuation of 45 dbs.

Barker & Williamson, Inc., Dept. ED, Canal St. & Beaver Dam Rd., Bristol, Pa.

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# SPEED DESIGN OF TRANSISTOR CIRCUITS With the SPRAGUE TRANSIMULATOR

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### NEW PRODUCTS

Solenoid Valve Quick disconnect features



Model P/N 220155 plug-in valve is a four-way, three-position solenoid actuated unit rated at 100 psi service pressure and operated by 115 v, 60 cps ac. Designed for operating pressures of 100 psi, this valve will withstand surge pressures of at least 250 psi.

Whittaker Controls, Div. of Telecomputing Corp., Dept. ED, 915 N. Citrus Ave., Hollywood, Calif.

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### Power Supply

0.3 per cent regulation



Model 721A power supply has an output of 0 to 30 v. Regulation, no load to full load, is 0.3 per cent or 30 mv, whichever is greater. Hewlett-Packard Co., Dept. ED, 275 Page Mill Rd., Palo Alto, Calif.

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Noise Figure Meter Employs test facility for system errors



Model 501 automatic noise figure meter operates at 30 mc input with sensitivity sufficient to measure TWT noise figure without external amplification. Noise figure is read directly for a 15.2 db noise source. A test facility for system errors



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Here's a regulated dc power supply that will protect its load and itself from a fault or short beyond the primary of its power transformer. If you're interested in a simple, reliable source of regulated dc power, you'll like the Sola Constant Voltage DC Power Supply.

This very desirable load protection characteristic results from the currentlimiting action of the Sola Constant Voltage Transformer. It is combined with a semiconductor rectifier, and a high capacitance filter. The current-limiting action protects both the rectifier and capacitors from damage by preventing excessive charging current.

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The Sola dc supply is reliable, simple, compact, and moderately-priced.



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is employed for the first time in an automatic noise figure meter. Operating voltage for a gas noise source is provided at a BNC connector. Recorder output supplies noise figure information for either 100 mv or 1 ma recorder movements. Scope output permits optional monitoring of zero reference, noise figure and infinity reference as a three-step wave form.

Brocker Labs., Box 967, Dept. ED, Sunnyvale, Calif.

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### **Diode Function Generator**

Features punched card memory



Model 100 diode function generator is used to generate either nonlinear functions of an independent input voltage, or of any parameter which may be converted to a voltage, or it may be used to generate nonlinear functions of time by using either an internal or an external time base. The fact that a complete library of nonlinear functions may be created for future use as necessary, makes the unit useful for data correction and data handling operations.

Electrol, Inc., Dept. ED, 9000 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles 35, Calif.

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### **Frequency Oscillator**

Range from 100 cps to 100 kc



Model 110-A variable frequency oscillator has an adjustable output frequency range of 100 cps to 100 kc with an accuracy of 5 counts or 0.005 per cent. The unit may be automatically programmed by use of paper tape or patch programming, thereby permitting 11 or 18 point calibration.

Digital Instrument Labs., Dept. ED, 152 S. Atlantic Blvd., Los Angeles 32, Calif.

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Now notice the packaging: an entire 6- or 8-channel "350" system - Preamplifiers and their own Power Supplies, Recorder assembly with built-in Power Amplifiers and Power Supplies, and other components-is housed in one mobile cabinet. Preamplifier modules are separated from Recorder-Power Amplifier unit, so that either can be used separately. Self-contained Recorder package uses transistorized, plug-in Power Amplifiers, Power Supplies with solid state rectifiers, low impedance, low voltage enclosed galvanometers; when used as a separate unit, sensitivity is 0.1 volt chart division.

Add to these "350" performance and packaging features the value and convenience of extremely easy chart loading from the front; nine electrically controlled chart speeds, selected by pushbuttons, with contacts for remote control; built-in paper take-up, paper footage indicator and timer-marker stylus; four presently available interchangeable Preamplifiers (Carrier, DC Coupling, Servo Monitor-demodulator, True Differential DC), with several more to follow.

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(All data subject to change without notice)



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Quick, simple paper loading is done from front: hinged viewing window is removable. About 8" of record visible. All controls on front panel.



Recorder back plate holds eight plug-in Power Amplifier modules (one shown unplugged), four on either side of Power Supply section. Entire back plate removable for servicing.

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# New, Improved WOBBULATOR Model 7200

Features New Technique In Electronic Swept Frequency Signal Generators!

One of the objectives in the design of the Canoga Wobbulator 7200 is to obtain high sensitivity without the "hum" problems normally experienced with other swept frequency generators. The swept frequency output voltage of the Wobbulator 7200 is modulated at approximately 50 Kc; the probes, with their internal diodes, detect this modulation which is then amplified in the vertical CRT band-pass amplifier. This new principle allows the use of swept generator techniques for evaluation of low gain or lossy circuits where point by point frequency measurements were previously necessary.

> Frequency Range: Swept Frequency Band: Output: Sweep Circuit: Swept Output;

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Panel Controls:

**Output Impedance:** 

Power:

2.0 to 1000 mc 2.0 to 55 mc, continuously variable More than 0.03 volts, 50 ohms **All electronic** 1) Constant within  $\pm 1$  db over 40 mc 2) Constant within fractions of db over 30 mc Calibrated in 1 db increments 1) Low impedance 50 ohms 2) High impedance 50 microvolts input gives at least 2" deflection 5UP1, with camera mounting bezel Center frequency Output Attenuator Deviation Vertical Amplifier Gain Control Vertical Amplifier Gain Switch, high-low CRT intensity, focus CRT Vertical & Horizontal Centering **On-off switch** 115V, 60 cps, 175 Watts 50 ohms, BNC connector

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### **NEW PRODUCTS**

### **Circuit Breaker**

Has transparent cover



Named the Saf-T-Vue, the breaker has a removable transparent cover through which one may see at a glance whether the contacts are open or closed.

American Cyanamid Co., Dept. ED, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20, N.Y.

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### Power Supply 0.5 to 30 v dc output



Model 30-500 transistorized power supply has a dc output from 0.5-30 v dc at 50 ma max. Ripple and noise is 2 mv rms at full load.

California Computer Products, Dept. ED, 3927 W. Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles 16, Calif. CIRCLE 175 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

### Recorder

Permits remote servo-control applications



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No time limit on reliability .... eliminates heat aging



In laboratory tests of wire insulation, even after moderate accelerated aging, the TFE resins alone remained unchanged ... other insulations cracked, charred, and even disintegrated.

Heat aging, which results in the cracking and embrittlement of most other high-grade insulations, is completely eliminated at temperatures up to 260° C. by the use of TFE resins.

In lab tests of 7 different wire insulations, only TFE-fluorocarbon resins maintained an insulation resistance above 25,000 ohms per 1,000 feet after an aging period of 500 hours at 150° C. The TFE resins maintained their initial value of over 25 million megohms per 1,000 feet.

Consider what the elimination of heat aging means to you. For example, in home appliances, new designs are now being achieved. In plants, expensive down-time and maintenance can be reduced by the installation of TFE resin in hot spots, or where temporary electrical overloads may occur.

Extends service life .... reduces chafing and cracking



Standard abrasion tests prove that after even moderate aging, the abrasion resistance of insulation of TEFLON fluorocarbon resins is superior to that of all other high-grade wire insulations.

Even at tight bends, the extremely low surface friction of TFE resins prevents chafing of harnessed wires and twisted pairs. Fraying is no longer a problem where vibration, flexing or shock are present. Standard tape abrasion tests show that, after moderate aging, TFE resins are more durable than other wire insulations. This same low coefficient of friction makes it easy to slip spaghetti tubing over long conductors.

Tests also indicate that TFE resins have superior flex life. Even at extremely low temperatures, they will not crack when flexed.

Both of these properties of TFE resins mean longer service life and reduced maintenance time on equipment where vibration or flexing are encountered. Where ambient temperatures are high, TFE resins can eliminate chafing and cracking.

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Insulation of TFE resin is unaffected by corrosive atmospheres, such as those found around this chemical equipment. Very low permeability reduces danger of shorts caused by splashing.

TFE resins are among the most chemically stable materials known. Wire and cable insulation remains 100% effective even when exposed to corrosive atmospheres-for example, in the control-panel wiring of chemical plants. This property is vital in electrical power installations, where the insulation may contact penetrating fluids, such as hot transformer oils.

In addition, TFE resins are relatively impermeable to nearly all chemicals. They have less than 0.01% water absorption by ASTM test. Their waxy surface is actually water-repellent.

With TFE resins there are no weathering problems. Even freezing cold, ultraviolet rays, or salt spray are harmless to them. Exposure to Florida weather for over 10 years resulted in no measurable change in their properties.

### **RESISTANCE OF THE RESINS** TO COMMON CHEMICALS

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Benzone	Unchanged	Unchanged		
Carbon Tetrachieride	Unchanged	Unchanged		
Ethanol	Unchanged	Unchanged		
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ONE WEEK EXPOSURE AT 73"F				
A-B Transformer Oil	Unchanged	Unchanged		
<b>SO Octano Aviation Gasoline</b>	Unchanged	Unchanged		
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Naptha	Unchanged	Unchanged		
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INSULATION RESISTANCE AFTER ACCELERATED HEAT AGING



This insert is perforated Tear out for handy reference





### Plus excellent, highly stable electrical properties



Where low attenuation and excellent dielectric properties are required such as in this data-processing equipment, TFE resins are unexcelled as wire and cable insulation. Photo Courtesy IBM Corporation

The dielectric strength of TFE resins is high and ranges from 400 to 4,000 volts per mil, depending on thickness. These values are unchanged by heat aging.

Both the dielectric constant and dissipation factor remain constant from below 60 cps to above 10,000 mc. The extremely low dissipation factor insures low signal attenuation, minimum energy losses.

Volume and surface resistivities are exceptionally high and are not affected by time or high temperature. Volume resistivity is greater than 1018 ohm-cm, while surface resistivity is more than 10<sup>17</sup> ohms even at 100% relative humidity. Exposure to a surface arc leaves no carbonized conducting path. Because insulation of TFE resin contains no plasticizer which might alter these excellent electrical properties, consistently reliable performance is assured.

### DIELECTRIC CONSTANT AND DISSIPATION FACTOR VS. TEMPERATURE



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### STORY

### IN WIRE INSULATION!

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It's easy to tell which is the insulation of TFE resin as other insulations melt, smoke and char during this simple test.

No other organic insulating material can match the properties of DuPont TFE-fluorocarbon resins. They have virtually ideal electrical properties. Their temperature ratings are unsurpassed by any other flexible insulation. TFE resins are steadily becoming more attractive to electrical and electronics engineers for economic reasons.

The two inside pages of this folder show you some of the ways you can benefit from the stable characteristics and reliability of TFE-fluorocarbon resins. On the back page you will learn how TFE resins speed fabrication and aid miniaturization ... at cost savings to you!



BETTER THINGS FOR BETTER LIVING ...THROUGH CHEMISTRY

# Here's how Du Pont TFE resins provide easier assembly and space savings ....with cost reductions for you



Wire insulated with TFE resin is unaffected by potting temperatures or soldering iron heat. Soldering time is shortened, inspection costs reduced, reliability improved.

**IN ASSEMBLY,** particularly of tightly spaced equipment where there is danger of injuring insulation, TFE resins are unsurpassed. They are unaffected by soldering iron temperatures, thus reducing danger of shorts. The insulation will not shrink back when soldering a connection. It can even be submerged indefinitely without damage during dip-soldering operations. This means economies for you, because assembly time is lowered, and wiring rejects are greatly reduced. Also, the cost of rejecting an entire potted assembly because of heat damage to the insulation is completely eliminated. One manufacturer of electronic components cut his inspection force to one-fourth its original size by changing to wire insulated with TFF resin.

DIFFICULT DESIGN PROBLEMS can be solved by TFE resins in areas where more power must be transmitted through the same space, such as underground wiring in municipalities, or increased power for existing structures. Since it is a superior moisture and electrical barrier, TFE resin permits design of wire and cable using less total insulation. Abnormal power surges are no problem because of mechanical strength and nonflammability of TFE resin at high temperatures.

MINIATURIZATION of electrical and electronic components is made possible by the heat resistance and high dielectric strength of TFE resins. For example, they solve the problem of getting more ampere turns into a winding. Finer wire can be used, so that miniaturized coils are possible. Smaller conductors transmit the same amount of power with less insulation.



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Use of TFE resins in place of standard insulation in coaxial cable permits space saving of 4 to 1 and weight saving of 2 to 1. Smaller conductors transmit equivalent power with less insulation.

### SEND FOR INFORMATION

Discover how well wire and cable insulated with Du Pont TFE resins help solve your design problems. For further information, contact a processor of fluorocarbon resins (listed in the Yellow Pages under "Plastics") or write to:

### E. I. DUPONT DE NEMOURS & CO. (INC.) POLYCHEMICALS DEPARTMENT, ROOM 146 DUPONT BUILDING, WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

In Canada: Du Pont Company of Canada (1956) Limited, P. O. Box 660, Montreal, Quebec



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Sim Jose Scientific Co., Dept. ED, 605 Sunol St. San Jose, Calif.

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Magnetics Research Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 255 Grove St., White Plains, N.Y.

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### **NEW PRODUCTS**

Sound Components For pretesting aircraft and missile parts



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Altec Lansing Corp., Dept. ED, Anaheim, Calif.

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### Capacitors Ratings up to 125 C



Available with ratings to 125 C, these type CY glass capacitors have voltage ratings of 300 v and 500 v dc. Volume of the capacitors range from 0.005 cu in. for the CY10 to 0.080 cu in. for the CY30. Temperature coefficient is within the limits of  $\pm 140 \pm 25$  ppm/per deg C. The difference in temperature coefficient between any units at any given temperature is less than 15 ppm. Corning Glass Works, Dept. ED, Corning, N.Y.

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### Rate Gyroscope

### Provides constant damping

This rate gyroscope provides constant damping over a wide range of temperatures, without the use of heaters. Identified as RGB rate gyroscope, the unit measures angular velocity and converts it to an ac voltage output. Nominal damping ratio variation is  $\pm 0.1$  over the range -30 to 100 C. Sanders Associates, Inc., Dept. ED, Nashua, N.H.

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Control reactors for magnetic amplifiers are available covering 15 to 450 w. Four series cover sensitivity range from 1.5 to 3 a-turns. 117 v and 240 v are both standard. The military series meets all MIL-T-27-81 specifications, undergoing 2000 g shock tests.

Chicago Magnetic Control, Div. of Chicago Electronic Engineering Co., Dept. ED, 1616 N. Damen Ave., Chicago 47, Ill.

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This new subminiature trimmer is designed for printed circuit assembly.

### SLIM and TRIM,

they fit neatly with diodes and transistors.

Constructed of high-temperature-resistant plastic, with a 37 turn lead-screw adjustment for fine trimming, the TPC trimmer is a masterpiece of miniaturization. Virtually hermetic sealed, this newest addition to the TIC line is moisture proof. Power rating is 1 watt at 70°C. derated to 0 at 225°C. Pretinned leads accommodate hot-tin dipping techniques. Lead separations are in multiples of 0.1" in accordance with standard printed circuit separations.

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Reliability and performance in operations up to 225°C.

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**NEW PRODUCTS** 

**Test Chamber** Range of -100 to - 600 F

Model EP-125 high-low temperature test chambers for use in combination with vibration test equipment, has a 5 cu ft test space and a temperature range from -100 to +600 F. Wyle Associates, Dept. ED, 128 Maryland St., El Segundo, Calif.

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Switch

Operates safely in class I hazardous atmosphere



This switching device permits exposed contact switches to be operated in class I hazardous atmospheres. Maximum electrical spark energy available at the remote exposed switch contacts is far less than the minimum required to ignite the surrounding hazardous atmospheres. Switching control distances up to 1000 ft are possible. The Intrinsitrol controller measures  $7 \times 12 \times 6 \cdot 1/2$ in.

Brookdale Engineering and Services Co., Dept. ED, 6 Beacon St., Boston 8, Mass.

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**Digital Position Indicator Utilizes Datex encoders** 



This series of digital position indicating equipment, is designed to provide a continuous indica-



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tion of a shaft position on either a digital display for visual indication or on various recording media, or both. Models are available to indicate empirical numbers up to readings of 10<sup>6</sup>. The systems utilize standard Datex encoders and translating modules, which are designed to read out at speeds up to 120 rpm and to indicate continuously as the position changes.

G. M. Giannini & Co., Dept. ED, 1307 So. Nyrtle Ave., Monrovia, Calif.

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Frequency Calibrator Range from 50 to 11,000 mc



Model 121 frequency calibrator supplies a series of simultaneous, continuous wave marker signals spaced every 50 or 100 mc over a frequency range from 50 to 11,000 mc with accuracy of  $\pm 0.005$  per cent at any frequency. Unaffected by temperature or input power variations, model 121 is designed to be used with receivers and circuits having a 50 ohm input impedance and a dc return. Its power input is 115 v ac  $\pm 10$  per cent, single phase, 50 to 440 cps, 33 w. The unit measures 7 x 9 x 7 in. with weight of 10 lb.

Control Electronics Co., Dept. ED, Huntington Station, N.Y.

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### Counter

Speeds up to 25 impulses per sec



Type TceZ4PE counter has speeds up to 25 impulses per sec. The figure drums can be set to any preselected number between zero and 9999. The counter measures 3-1/4 x 1-3/4 x 3-7/8 in. Landis & Gyr, Inc., Dept. ED, 45 W. 45th St.,

New York 36, N.Y.

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XXXP-470-1	3.7	.027	0.48	14,000	250	8	11	>10@ 475°F	300,000-500,000	1.00
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G-10-865-1	5.2	.012	0.13	60,000	250	10	15	> 30 @ 500°F	1,500,000-2,000,000	3.49
G-11-861-1	4.9	.015	0.17	60,000	300	10	15	> 30 @ 500°F	2,000,000	3.55

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### WHAT'S THE CATCH?

The catch or latching arrangement on all these Sigma relays is a permanent magnet. While this fact is not fraught with serious or far-reaching consequences, magnetic latching does have advantages worth considering. Since there are no triggers, catches or springs to wear out, magnetic latching relays do not fear early commitment to an eleemosynary institution. They do not continuously nibble a little stand-by power, adding their own little body warmth to the already stuffy environment; nor do power interruptions make them change position. What the armatures of these Sigma relays *do* do is stay where the last coil signal sent the other fixed position only when a resetting signal comes along.

An up-to-date inventory shows that there are now five Sigma magnetic latching relays available, with the following distinguishing traits. **SERIES 6** will switch 2 or 5 ampere loads on inputs from 22 to 450 mw., with contacts up to 4PDT; useful in memory circuits, fast enough for follow-up systems, reliable latching contactor. **SERIES 61** is a modification of the "6", with DPDT contacts capable of switching 20 ampere loads on 225 or 450 mw. signals; small, considering its ratings. **SERIES 32** is the newest and smallest of the group; DPDT, measures  $0.800^{\circ\prime} \times 0.400^{\circ\prime} \times 0.900^{\circ\prime}$  high, max., has pins spaced equally on  $0.200^{\circ\prime}$  centers; price is low. **SERIES 72** is the most sensitive (0.3 - 2.0 mw), and is designed for bounce-free, high speed switching. Sensitivity is adjustable, contacts replaceable. **SERIES 73** is a small hermetically sealed SPDT type for use in miniature devices and guided missiles. Dimensions  $44^{\circ\prime}$  dia. x  $1^{11}16^{\circ\prime}$  high. Contacts rated 1.5 ampere, sensitivity 6 mw. and 12 mw.

If any of these magnetic latching relays (Sigma Form "Z") offer the characteristics you're looking for, write for more data. If they don't, write anyway and tell us what you expect. Maybe one of us could be talked into making a small modification, so that a Sigma relay will work.



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### NEW PRODUCTS

Current Limiter Has high interrupting capacity



Called the Form 101, this circuit protective device has high interrupting capacity and becomes current limiting at about four times its normal current rating. It anticipates and prevents the rise of fault currents to high destructive maximums. It can be connected directly into circuits where the available current on short circuit is very high, even up to 100,000 a. Depending on its rating, this current limiter will continuously carry from one to 10,000 a of normal current. It limits on overload but blows instantly on short circuit before damage can be done.

Chase-Shawmut Co., Dept. ED, Merrimac St., Newburyport, Mass.

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### Accelerometer

Ranges from  $\pm 5$  to  $\pm 50$  g



Utilizing gas damping, model A501 accelerometer operates at temperature extremes of -65 to 200 F. The unit offers ranges from  $\pm 5$  to  $\pm 50$  g.

Statham Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 12401 Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles 64, Calif.

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This angular acceleration generator is capable of generating closely controlled angular and near-linear acceleration motion. The instrument imparts sinusoidal angular motion to a test table by means of a cylindrical rotor motor, with a single phase, two-pole winding placed at right angles to a dc field.

Statham Development Corp., Dept. ED, 12411 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles 64, Calif.

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### **Audio Plug**

Protection against mechanical noise

XLR plug offers protection against mechanical noise, accomplished through resilient inserts with rubber cushioning ribs and latching mechanism. These audio plugs are available in a full range of shell styles with either three 15 a contacts or four 10 a contacts.

Cannon Electric Co., Dept. Ed, 3208 Humboldt St., Los Angeles 31, Calif.

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### Tube Socket Provides blind positioning of tubes



These 7- and 9-pin miniature tube sockets are designed to provide blind positioning of tubes. This is accomplished by a polarization key.

Elco Corp., Dept. ED, M St. below Erie Ave., I hiladelphia 24, Pa.

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### **NEW PRODUCTS**

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Stability of one-part in one billion



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Lavoie Labs., Inc., Dept. ED, Matawan-Freehold Rd., Morganville, N.J.

### CIRCLE 209 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

**Electrical Disconnect** For use with 55-circuit Bendix pygmy connector



Used in missile operations for umbilical disconnects of other severing functions where guillotine choppers are not feasible, model 2011A explosive electrical disconnect is designed around the 55-circuit Bendix pygmy connector. It converts this unit into a reusable explosive-actuated device without altering in any way the electrical characteristics of the original connector.

Beckman & Whitley, Inc., Dept. ED, 1085 San Carlos Ave., San Carlos, Calif.

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Three and five decade types



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Control Electronics Co., Inc., Dept. ED, Huntington Station, N.Y.

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### Vacuum Relay

10 kv voltage rating



The spdt RBI relay is a miniature unit designed for high voltage and high current operation. Measuring 2-1/2 in. long and 1-3/4 in. in diam, it has a voltage rating of 10 kv and continuous current rating of 15 a rms.

Jennings Radio Mfg. Corp., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 1278, San Jose, Calif.

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U.S. Industries, Inc., Western Design & Manufacturing Corp. Div., Dept. ED, 5947 Sheila St., Los Angeles 2, Calif. 2

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### Time Delay

Thermal unit combines with magnetic relay



This time delay is instantly reset by the type DM thermal timing element when combined with a small magnetic relay in the circuit illustrated. Type DM thermal timing elements are available for any delay period from 5 sec to 6 min and for operating voltages from 6.3 to 230 v. Load rating is 5 a to 125 v ac; 3 a to 250 v ac; 1 a resistive to 32 v dc.

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Kurman Electric Co., Dept. ED, 191 Newel St., Brooklyn, N.Y.

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For accurate measurements of flutter and wow



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ElectroData Div. of Burroughs Corp., Dept. ED, 460 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif. CIRCLE 465 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

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Milam Electric Mfg. Co., Dept. ED, 1100 Elmwood Ave., Providence, R. I.

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Gulton Industries, Inc, Dept. ED, 212 Durham Ave., Metuchen, N. J.

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Sealectro Corp., Dept. ED, 610 Fayette Ave., Mamaroneck, N. Y.

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The Pyrometer Instrument Co, Dept. ED, Bergenfield, N.J.

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Eagle Sognal Corp., Dept. ED, 202-20th St., Moline, Ill.

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Elastic Stop Nut Corp. of America, Dept. ED, 2330 Vauxhall Rd., Union, N.J.

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Industrial Test Equipment Co., Dept. ED, 55 East 11th St., New York 3, N.Y.

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General Hermetic Sealing Corp., Dept. ED, Valley Stream, N.Y.

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CIRCLE 262 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

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For storage and image orthicon tubes



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#### **Colloidal Graphite**

#### A list of electronic applications

Colloidal graphite consists basically of a highpurity graphite processed down to colloidal size and dispersed in a wide variety of fluid carriers. The characteristics of the material can be best described by a listing of some of its applications. The largest single application is for vacuum tubes, where it can be applied directly to parts which need not have undergone such preliminary treatments as acid etching, sand blasting, or oxidation. Specific examples are as follows:

Tube shielding: tubes which acquire surface charges merely by handling (the FP-54 Piotron, for example) are coated with an appropriate dispersion of colloidal graphite to within an inch of the control-grid connection. This shielding is is then connected to a source of potential equal to that of the grid;

Phototubes: since graphite, being non-metallic, does not react with selenium to form selenides, it is ideal for light-sensitive cells. In this instance, it is useful as electrode material in selenium-tellurium phototubes. Colloidal graphite has a marked physical affinity for cesium and, therefore, finds application in phototubes and halfwave rectifiers where surplus cesium can be adsorbed by the graphite coating;

Cathode ray tubes: special dispersions of colloidal graphite in deionized water are available to be applied to the inside surfaces of TV and oscilloscope tubes. These graphite films serve as ray-focusing anode materials to prevent stray electrons from being reflected back into the electron beam and distorting the image;

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# PROTECT FILAMENTS

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These surges cause premature failure or unsatisfactory service life. Bottom oscillogram shows how a G-E thermistor can suppress the surge and protect the tube filaments.

The thermistor has a large negative temperature coefficient of resistance. The high resistance holds surge current to a low value during initial application of voltage. As the cold filament gradually heats up – raising its resistance to normal level – the thermistor's resistance lowers to a negligible value, permitting full current to flow after a brief period.

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Acheson Colloids Co., Dept. ED, Port Huron, Mich.

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Polymer Corporation of Pennsylvania, Dept. ED, 2140 Fairmont Ave., Reading, Pa.

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#### Inertia Calculation

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A 16-page catalog on a complete line of standard switching reactors for onestep, low-cost static control is now available. The switching reactor catalog contains tables of electrical characteristics and several typical application circuits, as well as complete descriptions of the units, their applications, and physical dimensions. Control, Div. of Magnetics, Inc., Butler, Pa.

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#### Accelerometer Calibration 288

Methods and accuracies of crystal accelerometer calibration are featured in a 25-page manual. Frequency response, linearity with temperature, mounting methods, and many other topics are covered. The "Accelerometer Manual" is illustrated with graphs and photographs. Endevco Corp., 161 E. California St., Pasadena, Calif.

#### Grid Construction 289

"Framelok Grid" describes design and performance advantages of this electron tube construction technique. The 12page brochure lists structural features of the grid design and points up their effect on other tube elements. Featuring an introduction on the evolution of "Framelok," the booklet contains an actual grid sample. Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., 1100 Main St., Buffalo, N.Y.



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#### **Electronic Parts**

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#### Silicon Diodes

A 24-page brochure describing microwave silicon diodes has been issued. The catalog includes up-to-date technical data and receiver design information for low noise mixer and video diodes for applications in the 300 mc to 70,000 mc frequency range. A recently developed diode for test equipment applications is also described. Performance curves, nomographs, outline drawings, and photographic illustrations are given. Microwave Assoc., Inc., Burlington, Mass.

#### **Fasteners**

Detailed specifications, engin erin dures d drawings, applications, and installation information are provided in a 40-pag catalog. Data as well as complete detail on special fasteners is given. Simmon Fasteners Corp., North Broadway, A bany 1, N.Y.

#### **Meter Mountings**

Bulletin 601 features a low-cost ription bonded rubber meter mounting for propertitecting sensitive instruments again up sl shock and vibration. The 4-page text outer B. I lines the design features and perform ewark ance of the mountings, and installatio photographs show typical application Complete meter mounting specification include an application cross-reference A pit table listing meters from various manu ermost facturers. Lord Mfg. Co., Erie, Pa.

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#### **Disc Capacitors**

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Bulletin C-81 is a 6-page folder about ceramic disc capacitors. It covers types for general use, temperature compensating, and deflection yoke applications. Also listed with specifications are high voltage types in standard and printed circuit styles. The folder is illustrated with dimensional drawings and temperature characteristics curves. The Gudeman Co. of California, Inc., Dilectron Div., 2669 S. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia, Calif.

#### **Plastics**

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Fabricators and suppliers of a complete line of plastic sheets, rods, and tubes have now issued a 52-page plastics catalog and price list. Among the wide range of products covered in the catalog are Plexiglas, vinyl, acetate, phenolics, polyethylene, polystyrene, Nylon, Kel-F, and Lucite in all commercial forms. Prices, sizes, and other specifications are listed. Also included in the catalog is a complete table of properties of plastic materials. Almac Plastics, Inc., 600 Broadway, New York 12, N.Y.





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# NEW LITERATURE

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#### **Radar Reflectors**

According to an eight page bulletin "Radar Reflectors of Sandwich Design", tracking and scanning radar reflectors can be designed and fabricated of lightweight sandwich materials at a fraction of the cost of conventional tubular truss structures. The bulletin gives construction, installation, and operation of the reflector. Narmco Mfg. Co., 5159 Baltimore Dr., La Mesa, Calif.

#### Relays

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A 20-page booklet catalogs a full lin A of relays. It contains complete enginee which ing specifications, operational date, at tions detailed drawings for all major submit ature and microminiature types. Filto ombit Inc., Port Washington, N.Y.

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#### **Epoxy Encapsulation**

Bulletin G6 describes in four illustrate pages a low-temperature melting (281) bismuth-tin alloy for making extreme accurate and inexpensive dip or slus cast molds for encapsulating electron components with epoxy resins. Cerro of Pasco Sales Corp., 300 Park Ave., Ne York 2, N.Y.

#### **Analog Computor**

A four-page brochure on an analograd computer, the K5-U is available. The busions letin contains a general description of the lm computer specifications and a brief contreffor parison of the K5-U techniques with the other methods of analog formulation teca Geo. A. Philbrick Researches, Inc., 230 lens Congress St., Boston, Mass.

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#### Transformer Catalog 30

Blocking oscillator pulse transformers, trate oupling transformers, and pulse trans-281 ormer sample kits are among the items treme a recent catalog-folder. The folder r slush ontains operational data, test circuit diaectron gams, and other information. ESC Corp., erro d lectronic Components Div., 534 Bergen e., Ne Blvd., Palisades Park, N.J.

#### Capacitors 30

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This literature is a 17-page catalog, analocRC-100, showing complete specifica-'he bu ions and engineering data on precision n of the m capacitors in Mylar, Polystyrene, ef con refion, and metallized Mylar. It includes s with ubular, Mylar wrap, bathtub, adjustable, ulation lecade, and special configurations. Conc., 23 Jenser Research Corp., Seymour, Ind.

#### **Anechoic Chambers**

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Literature on a series of anechoic chambers has been announced. An 8page brochure contains a description of electro-magnetic energy absorbers for vhf, uhf, and microwave frequencies. Details of construction and illustrations of various types of chamber installations designed to meet specific requirements of frequency range, shielding, and working conditions, are shown. Emerson & Cuming, Inc., 869 Washington St., Canton, Mass.

#### **Transductors**

A 16-page catalog, T-10, describes a company's two standard transductor designs; one open for bus bar use, and one enclosed for cable service. Both are available in nine sizes. Titled, "Control Standard Transductors," the catalog describes transductor capabilities and includes typical applications. It contains tables listing detailed electrical charactersitics and outlining physical dimensions for each size in both models. Control, Div. of Magnetics, Inc., Butler, Pa.



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# NEW LITERATURE

#### **Crystal Filter**

Characteristics of a company's high frequency crystal filter, both in the steady state and under transient conditions, are summarized in this 6-page illustrated memorandum. The pulse response and optimum point for sampling filter output with a pulse input are described. Hycon Eastern, Inc., 75 Cambridge Pkwy., Cambridge, Mass.

#### **Inductive Devices**

Catalog 102 lists 390 transformers. chokes, filters, and other inductive devices. The 28-page booklet illustrates each unit and offers descriptions and specifications. Hermetic Seal Transformer Co., 555 N. 5th St., Garland, Tex.

#### Counters

A diversity of counters is described in a 20-page extract of Catalog 57. Dimensions, specifications, ordering directions, and photographs are presented for each model. Covered are electromag. Printe netic, printing, predetermining, measuring, small stroke, and revolution counters, Presin Co., 12128 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles 64, Calif.

#### **Fan Motors**

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This 12-page bulletin contains design dimension, rating, performance, and application data on shaded pole motors fo a number of applications. The two-color bulletin includes information on the Wave "slim" motor that is thirty-three per cent lighter in weight than previous models. General Electric Co., Schenectady, 5. N.Y.

#### **Glass-to-Metal Seals**

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In many circuits, a tantalum capacitor is used as an emitter bypass. A common way to temperature stabilize a grounded emitter stage against  $I_{co}$  variations is to use a resistance in the emitter circuit, about the same size as the resistance in the base circuit.

If the emitter resistor is grounded, as in Fig. 1, the voltage across it and its bypass capacitor is quite high. Capacity required, in the audio range, sometimes exceed 100  $\mu$ f, so the bypass capacitor must be quite large.

Sometimes the emitter resistor is returned to a bias voltage. Then the emitter to ground voltage can be quite small, so, in theory at least, the capacitor voltage rating can be small, too. The capacitor is polarized as shown in Fig. 2, while the emitter is held positive by biasing the base.

But if the transistor opens up, or is removed from its socket with voltage on, the full bias voltage is applied to the capacitor. Here, also, conservative design calls for a high voltage capacitor.

Furthermore, at high temperatures, the emitter stabilization circuit causes the emitter to become more negative. So, unless lots of bias is used on the base, a reverse voltage of a few volts may be applied to the capacitor, possibly causing failure.

#### The New Scheme

A diode is connected across the capacitor, in such a direction as to be normally nonconducting. With pnp transistors, the base bias is adjusted a few tenths of a volt negative with respect to ground. The cathode of the diode and the positive terminal of the capacitor are grounded as shown in Fig. 3.

If the transistor opens, or is removed from the circuit, the diode limits the positive voltage across the capacitor to a fraction of a volt. This is not harmful to most tantalum capacitors since they can stand a small reverse voltage. Some are actually formed with an auxiliary film, good for a few reverse volts.

Notice in Fig. 3, that when  $I_{co}$  causes the emitter to become more negative, the voltage is applied to the capacitor in the forward direction. This effect may determine the capacitor voltage rating.

#### Stabilizing for AC

If ac degeneration is required, and the emitter resistance should be smaller than that required for dc stabilization, it is common practice to tap the emitter bypass capacitor down on the emitter resistance as shown in Fig. 4. Unfortunately, this requires much more negative bias on the transistor base, if the capacitor voltage is always to be negative.

If the additional bias is undesirable, the circuit of Fig. 5 can be used. This requires no additional bias.

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Fig. 1. Circuit if microphone with "push-to-talk" button.

#### **Transistor Priority System**

Fig. 1 shows the circuit of a microphone. The unit has a pushbutton to activate the microphone. The "push-to-talk" button completes a circuit to the microphone element and closes a control circuit to activate other equipment, such as transmitters or audio amplifiers.

Where more than one microphone is used, it is convenient to establish a priority system so that one microphone has precedence over others. The second microphone has precedence over the third and so on.

This has been done, in the past, with multicontact relays, connected so each microphone has the proper priority.

The disadvantages are that the relays use a large number of contacts, they're heavy, and they waste power and space.

The transistor priority system overcomes these disadvantages to a high degree.

Referring to Fig. 2, assume 20 v is applied as shown. Voltage divider  $R_7$  and  $R_{11}$  places a somewhat lower voltage, (say 18 v), on the three emitters which are connected in parallel. When no microphone control circuit is activated the base voltage of all three transistors will be about 20 v. This is a reverse bias so the transistors are completely deactivated. If a signal exists at any of the inputs it is not transferred through the system.

When the control of microphone number 3 establishes a circuit through to ground, the voltage divider  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  establishes a voltage at the base of  $Q_1$  such that  $Q_1$  becomes active. Consequently, any audio voltage present at the input to  $Q_1$  is transferred to the output. Thus  $Q_1$  is connected in a common collector or, as sometimes called, an emitter follower circuit.

 $R_7$  is the load resistor. The signal coupled through  $C_1$  drives the base, and resistor  $R_8$  isolates the input audio from the divider system  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ .

The bases of  $Q_2$  and  $Q_3$  are still at very nearly 20 v and therefore are reverse biased and cannot contribute to the output.







Fig. 2. Transistor priority system. Microphone #1 has priority over microphone #2 which has priority over microphone #3.

Now, if the push button of number 1 microphone is depressed, control circuit number 1 is completed to ground, and a voltage is established at the base of  $Q_3$  by voltage divider  $R_5$  and  $R_6$ .

The divider  $R_5$ - $R_6$  is so arranged that it produces a voltage at the base of  $Q_3$  which is considerable less than that at the base of  $Q_1$ . The emitters will come to the potential dictated by the base of  $Q_3$  and, consequently, the base of  $Q_1$ will be reverse biased regardless of whether control number 3 is or is not activated.

Furthermore, any audio present at the input from microphone number l will be transferred through the system to the output. Audio from microphone number 3 cannot get through the system, because transistor  $Q_1$  is reverse biased.

The dividers associated with number 1, 2, and 3 controls are arranged so that the derived voltages go down in "staircase fashion," being highest at number 3 and lowest at number 1. This establishes a priority system such that number 1 has priority over numbers 2 and 3 while number 2 has priority over number 3.

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**Fig. 2.** This scheme assures enough starting voltage for the gas tube.



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# PATENTS

#### **Pulse Counting Circuit**

Patent No. 2,822,471. Howard L. Foote. (Assigned to General Dynamics Corp.)

The invention comprises a scale-of-two pulse dividing circuit using two-element gaseous discharge devices in cascade. The simple circuit should provide exceptional stability. Each of the gaseous discharge devices, 11 thorugh 14, shown in the diagram, may be a neon lamp such as a NE-96 which has a minimum specified firing voltage of about 135 v and sustains conductive discharge at about 70 v.

The pulse counter as a scale-of-two pulse divider operates in the following manner: Initially all neon lamps are extinguished. A positive pulse applied to the INPUT added to the supply voltage fires lamp 11. Lamp 12 will also conduct. A positive pulse will be delivered through condenser 26 firing lamps 13 and 14. At the end of the input pulse lamps 11 and 13 will be conducting at about 70 v. Lamps 12 and 14 will become extinguished since resistor 15, lamp 12 and the two discharge resistor 24 are selected such that lamp 12 is non-conducting I will fire only for the interval that the voltage across lamp 11 raised by peder an input pulse initially fires lamp 11. second positive going pulse to be counted tent I applied to the INPUT will not effect med lamp 11 which is conducting but will the a charge condenser 23. At the end of the ad ph second pulse, condenser 23 discharge gative through resistors 21 and 15 and the addi curat tional drop across resistor 15 lowers the critic voltage across lamp 11 below 70 v and The lamp 11 is extinguished. Thereafter, a mea third positive going pulse causes lamps 11 cade



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#### **Amplifying Apparatus**

Patent No. 2,822,434. Robert J. Ehret. (Assigned to Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co.)

This multistage transistor a-c amplifier having less than unity d-c gain is temperature stable and relatively independent of individual transistor characteristics. As illustrated, the transistor stages are direct coupled and connected in parallel resistive networks across the power supply 53. The collector electrode of each transistor is directly coupled to the base electrode of the succeeding stage so that these electrodes are at the same voltage. The emitter electrode of each transistor is constor 12 nected to power supply through resistorer stars 14, which is larger than the resistor constrained necting the collector electrode to the st. The opposite side of the power supply. The ated is operating points of the transistors are chosen so that the amplifier is independ ent of power supply variations. The dgain may be made so low that differences between transistors which affect their de operating characteristics are not amplified. The emitters operate at constan current and the collectors at constan voltage.

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#### **Selenium Rectifier**

Patent No. 2,815,475. Paul W. Lighty. (Assigned to International Telephone and Telegraph Corp.)

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### PATENTS

### **Current Control Regulator**

### Patent No. 2,824,276 Harvey Stump. (Assigned to Hughes Aircraft Co.)

A transistor, connected as a variable impedance in series with the current source and the load, maintains the current supplied to the load constant in this patent. The dynamic impedance is of the order of 16,000 meg while the transistor presents a small resistance to steady-state d-c flow.

Referring to the diagram, the current generator 11 consists of a triode 31, in this instance a 6J5 vacuum tube, connected to the load 37 through the n-type transistor 41. Biasing battery 23 is inserted between the emitter electrode 43 and the base electrode 44. Variable resistor 22 adjusts the quiescent condition of transistor 41. The voltage difference between cathode 32 and grid 31 is determined by the voltage across the collector 42 and the base 44.

If, for example, the value of resistor 37 decreases, the plate current through triode 31 tends to increase. This increase causes the current flowing through transistor 41 to increase. As a result, the vo age across collector 42 and base 44 w increase. The grid to cathode Lias triode 31 will also increase, causing t current flowing through triode 31 to a



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Patent No. 2,805,386. R. W. Pfaff. (Assigned to The Reliance Electric & Engineering Co.)

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#### PROPAGATION

### Geometrical Characteristics of Scattering of Radio Waves by Turbulent Tropospheric Irregularities by D. M. Vysokovskiy. EC 9/57, pp 12-19, 2 figs.

Exact and approximate formulas are derived for dimensions of scattering volume and scattering angle. An expression is derived for scattered power in the form of an integral over the scattering volume. The extremum of this integral leads to the determination of dimensions of the effective scattering volume for broad directivity patterns. The choice of antenna dimensions for communication by diffuse propagation are considered. Fundamental geometrical characteristics of scattering volume for narrow directivity patterns are also given. Refers to "Theory of Radio Scattering in the Troposphere" by Booker and Gordon (*Proceedings IRE*, Volume 38, April, 1950), "Radio Scattering in the Troposphere" by Gordon (*Proceedings IRE*, January 1955), "The Use of Angular Distance in Estimating Transmission Loss and Fading Range for Propagation Through a Turbulent Atmosphere over Irregular Terrain" by Norton, Rice, and Vogler (*Proceedings IRE*, October 1955) and "The Rate of Fading in Propagation Through a Turbulent Atmosphere" by Norton, Rice, Janes and Barsis (*Proceedings IRE*, October 1955). ie te li

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### Choice of Routes for Sections of Radio Relay Lines by A. I. Kalinin. EC 9/57, pp 20-29, 7 figs.

The choice of routes for maximum line stability is considered. Formulas are given for the minimum heights of an-



Fig. 1. Experimental setup for investigating the deterioration of detectors: 1—microwave pulse generator; 2—attenuator; 3—directional coupler; 4—auxiliary cw generator; 5—directional coupler for identifying microwave pulses; 6—video pulse amplifier; 7—oscillograph; 8 indicator for slotted line; 9—slotted line; 10—detector head; 11—detector; 12—resistance (approx. 100 ohms); 13—milliammeter. tenna towers and for the maximum lengths of line sections. The effect of the terrain of the locality and the statistical distribution of the vertical gradient of the dielectric constant of air are taken into account.

#### COMPONENTS

Effect of Temporary Deterioration on the Detecting Properties of Crystal Diodes Operating at High Frequencies by S. Ye. Temkin and K. M. Korolevets. REE 8/57, pp 1062-1070, 11 figs.

Report of results of the investigation of fully reversible changes in the detecting properties of crystal silicon detectors operating at microwave frequencies. This type of temporary deterioration of the properties is called "coarsening" of the detector. It is due to the change in the capacity of the barrier layer. The observed recovery times are attributed to multiple capture of electrons in one part of the contact region. Reference is made to work by Hornbeck and Haynes. *Physical Review*, 1955, Vol. 96, pp 311-321. Fig. 1 shows the experimental setup.

### Influence of the Speed of Recombination at the Non-Rectifying Electrode on the Frequency Properties of the p-n Junction for the Case of Small Alternating Voltages by N. A. Penin. REE 8/57, pp 1053-1061, 6 figs.

An expression is derived for the voltage-current characteristic, and also for the total conduction of the p-n junction with alternating current for small voltages, with allowance for the speed of recombination on the non-rectifying electrode.

To improve the frequency characteristics of a semiconducting diode, the thickness of the p and n regions should be reduced to a minimum. However, at small distances between the junction and the non-rectifying electrode the influence of the rate of recombination at the electrode on the properties of the p-n junction becomes substantial. The author calculates the voltage-current characteristic of the p-n junction and the total conductivity of the diode with alternating current for low voltages. The original Shockley theory applies to an infinite distance between the junction and the electrode, and naturally must be modified in this case.

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Additional Induction Between Circuits

Due to Presence of Insulators in the Line by N. P. Volnova. EC 9/57, pp 65-73, 7 figs.

The distribution of insulators along transposed and untransposed lines, and its effect on the values of the wave impedance of the line are given an extensive mathematical treatment.

#### RECEPTION

Suppression of Non-working Sideband Frequency in Multi-phase Systems of Single-Band Radio Communication by I. V. Lobanov. EC 9/57, pp 3-11, 6 figs.

Formulas are derived for the degree of suppression of the non-working sideband frequency in three- and four-phase systems as a function of the amplitude and phase errors in the voltage supplying the system. The calculated results are presented in the form of curves from which it is possible to estimate the possibility of a practical realization of systems in various particular cases.

#### **CIRCUITS**

Investigation of the Characteristic Features of the Operation of Transistors in Nonlinear Circuits by V. V. Migulin. REE 9/57, pp 1091-1096.

A brief article, in which the fundamental considerations that require a special approach to many semiconductor circuits are discussed. A concise formulation is given of the methods in use now, together with a brief survey of several other articles published in the same issue of the journal on the investigation of transistor circuits and the features of the transistors themselves. Certain trends in future developments in this field are noted.

This is a report of a survey made at the Moscow State University on various transistor circuits in which the nonlinear properties of the transistor are investigated. The summary given in this article touches upon the specific nature of transistorized systems, possible methods of investigation of such circuits, and the contents of recently published articles in the USSR on these subjects.

### Analysis of a High Frequency Self-Oscillator Employing Junction Transistors by L. N. Kaptsov and V. V. Yablonskiy. REE 9/57, pp 1136-1145, 7 figs, 2 tables.

The authors determine the limits to which the simplified equivalent circuit of a transistor can be used to analyze a high (Continued on following page)

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Fig. 2. Circuit used to investigate slow and fast processes in junction transistor multivibrators.

Widening in Junction Transistors" Proceedings IRE, 1952, Page 1401.

### Investigation of Multivibrators with Junction Transistors by K. S. Rzhevkin, K. Ya. Senatorov, and S. P. Maslov. REE 9/57, pp 1110-1118, 7 figs.

An investigation of slow and fast processes in a free-running junction-transistor multivibrator. The dependence of the amplitude and duration of the generated pulses on the circuit parameters, on the transistors, and on the supply voltage is established. Refers to work by A. P. Thomas (*Electronics*, 1955, Vol. 28, Page 168), J. E. Flood (*Wireless Engineer*, 1955, Vol. 32, Page 122), D. F. James (*Electronics*, 1953, Vol. 32, Page 112) and E. W. Sard (*Concention Record of the IRE*, Part II, 1954, Page 110). Fig. 2 shows the circuit, and Fig. 3 the waveforms.

Transient Characteristics of Junction Transistors by Yu. M. Az'yan, K. S. Rzhevkin, and K. Ya. Senatorov. REE 9/57, pp 1097-1109, 8 figs.

Report of a theoretical and experimental investigation of the non-stationary processes at the base of a transistor during the transmission of an electric signal. The transient characteristics of common-emitter and common-base connections are theoretically derived from physical considerations. It is shown experimentally that the theory of small-signal amplification can be applied to a transistor even when the small-signal conditions are not satisfied. Refers to work by Schaffner and Suran (*Journal of Applied Physics*, 1953, Vol. 24, Page 1355), Steele (*Proceedings IRE*, 1952, Vol. 40, Page 1424), and Pritchard (*Proceedings IRE*, 1955, Vol. 43, Page 1075).

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### Processes in a Junction-Transistor Blocking Generctor by K. Ya. Senatorov and V. P. Guzhov. RE= 9/57, pp 1119-1126, 11 figs.

The authors analyze the processes that take place in a blocking oscillator using high frequency p-n-i-p type transistors in the cut-off mode to form the leading edge of the pulse. Transistor and circuit parameters are studied in forming the leading edge and the transient from the stage where the capacitor is overcharged to the leading front. Refers to work by Sulzer (*Electronics*, August 1953, Vol. 26, Page 173), J. E. Flood (*Wireless Engineer*, May 1955, Vol. 32, Page 112), and Linvill and Mattson (*Proceedings IRE*, 1955, Vol 43, Page 1632).



Fig. 3. Waveforms in the multivibrator of Fig. 2.

### Certain Features of Self-Oscillators Employing Transistors by L. N. Kaptsov. REE 9/57, pp 1127-1137, 12 figs.

A qualitative examination of the waveforms of currents and voltages in various points of a transistorized oscillator with nearly harmonic oscillations. The methods used to calculate the amplitudes and the settling time of the oscillations in vacuum tube oscillators are applicable to semiconductor oscillators only in a narrow range near the excitation threshold. Refers to "Frequency Stability of Point Contact Transistor Oscillators" by C. C. Cheng (*Proceedings IRE*, 1956, Vol. 44, Page 219) and "Isocline Diagrams for Transistor Circuits" by R. Oakes (*Electronic Engineering*, July 1955, Page 27, Page 312).

### Correction of Transistor Amplifiers by K. S. Rzhevkin and Ye. S. Andrianov. REE 9/57, pp 1157-1169, 8 figs.

An analysis of the single-stage transistor amplifier, in which formulas are derived for the engineering computations of correcting elements which can extend the amplifier bandwidth above critical frequencies. Refers to work by Sawels, Early, and Pritchard.

Application of Quasi-Linear Method to the Analysis of a Transistor High Frequency Generator by L. N. Kaptsov, M. A. Abdyukhanov, and A. A. Kashir. REE 9/57, pp 1170-1173, 5 figs, 1 table.

The high frequency RC transistor oscillator was treated by L. N. Kaptsov in the November 1056 issue of Radiotekhnika i Elektronika (Page 1413). (*ED* 7/15/57). The inertia (time-delay)

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JAMAICA, NEW YORK: General

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seal. Pertinent Literature: Write for

"Inco Technical Bulletin 'T-15'".

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### **RUSSIAN TRANSLATIONS**

properties of transistors manifest themselves even at relatively low frequencies. Consequently the nonlinear characteristics of transistors, obtained at low frequencies without allowance for timedelay, cannot be directly used to calculate the amplitudes of high frequency generators employing such transistors. In fact, the input and output impedances and the current (or voltage) gain coefficients of transistors contain reactive components at high frequencies, and the breakdown of such parameters into real and imaginary parts for the purpose of providing an equivalent circuit is possible only for sinusoidal voltages and currents, since the real and imaginary parts are functions of frequency. Consequently, such a breakdown is permissible only in the linear or quasi-linear approximation, a procedure to which this article is devoted.



**Fig. 4.** A bistable trigger circuit using junction transistors.

Certain Nonlinear Properties of Junction Transistors, Connected with Base Modulation by Yu. M. Az'yan and A. A. Tikhonova. REE 9/57, pp 1174-1177.

The collector current of a junction transistor is calculated with allowance for the effect of variation of the thickness of the base layer under the influence of variable voltage on a resistive collector load. This is for a case when a small sinusoidal signal is applied to the emitter circuit. The solution of this nonlinear problem, using the small-parameter method in the first approximation, contains the second harmonic of the collector current.

Voltage Converter Employing High Power Transistors by G. N. Berestovskiy and K. Ya. Senatorov. REE 9/57, pp 1178-1188, 10 figs.

An analysis is given of the physical processes in a voltage converter employing power transistors. Equations and curves are given for the calculation of the converter circuit to meet specified output power and specified supply voltage. The





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characteristics of the Russian type PZV power transistors in the saturation region are given. Analysis of Trigger Circuit Using Junction Transistors by T. N. Yastrebtseva. REE 9/57, pp 1146-1156, 10 figs.

Circuits of this type were studied by Linvill "Non-Saturating Pulse Circuits Using Two Junction Transistors." (Proceedings IRE, 1955, Page 826) and by Suran-Reibert "Two-Terminal Analvsis and Synthesis of Junction Transistor Multivibrators," (IRE Transactions, 1956, Page 26.) Linvill analyzed a symmetrical binary counting circuit under the conditions when the transistors are not saturated. He gave an estimate of the value of the input signal required to trigger the circuit. Suran and Reibert considered a circuit that can have one or two stable equilibrium states, but is also capable of self-oscillation. They gave only an approximation of the maximum oscillating frequency and the maximum repetition frequency of the triggering pulses. This article considers a trigger circuit having two stable equilibrium conditions (Fig. 4), triggered by positive rectangular pulses, applied once to the base of each transistor through diodes. Certain simplifying assumptions are made in the calculations.

### KEY

The sources of the Russian articles and their dates of issue follow the authors' names. Here is the key to the names of the journals in which the articles originally appeared.

- Automation and Telemechanics (Avtomatika i AT Telemekhanika)
- CJ Communications Journal (Vestnik Svyazi)
- EC Electrical Communications (Elektrosvyaz)
- IET Instruments and Experimental Techniques (Pribori i Tekhnika Eksperimenta)
- Radio
- Radio Engineering (Radiotekhnika) RE
- REE Radio Engineering and Electronics (Radiotekhnika i Elektronika)

#### TRANSLATIONS AVAILABLE

ELECTRONIC DESIGN is gratified to learn of the growing availability of full translations of important Russian electronics journals.

Consultants Bureau, Inc. of 227 W. 17th St., New York 11, N.Y. translates Automation and Telemechanics regularly.

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# Resonant Absorbers for Microwaves



Fig. 1. Singly Resonant Absorber.  $\lambda_o$  is the freespace wavelength.



Fig. 2. Doubly Resonant Absorber.

# Zener Diodes

**S** ILICON diodes to which a voltage in the reverse direction is applied, pass currents which are only a fraction of a µa until application of a voltage exceeding 4 v. There upon the "Zener current" is observed, i.e., the current increases rapidly with only very small increases in voltage. This effect suggests the possibility of using such a "Zener" diode as a reference voltage source. In this connection small variations of voltage with current and variations of voltage with temperature are of interest.

The variation of voltage with current can be described through the internal **T** HREE types of loads can be used to accomplish reflectionless loading of microwave structures.

• Homogeneous materials in which the (complex) dielectric constant is equal to the permeability;

In homogeneous materials, such as wedges;

• Resonant absorbers which are multiply resonant.

The basic resonant absorber, as shown in Fig. 1, consists of a quarter wave dielectric section which terminates in a metal wall and is covered with a resistive foil at the input surface. This absorber is represented by a resonant circuit with high Q. The bandwidth is limited accordingly.

If the homogeneous resistance foil is replaced by a dipole "grid" as shown in Fig. 2 then the resulting equivalent circuit contains two resonant branches. This structure can be designed for appreci-

resistance variation. Temperature dependence can be described through a temperature coefficient (mv/deg C). Typical curves for both effects are illustrated. It is noted that both effects are substantially independent of each other.

The temperature coefficient is zero in the neighborhood of 5 v. It is exceedingly difficult to produce Zener diodes which have a 5 v (or less) Zener voltage. It is however, possible to compensate for this effect by using, in conjunction with the Zener diode, silicon diodes which carry a current in the forward direction. These have a negative temperature coefficient

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In Fig. 3 a triply resonant system is shown. Two dipole layers are used in this structure. They are spaced an eighth of a wavelength apart (in the dielectric). With this arrangement a frequency range which exceeds 2:1 is possible.

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means of the graph shown in Fig. 4. These curves were calculated from the equivalent circuits. Experimental results using actual microwave structures are in agreement with the calculated curves.

Abstracted from an article by H. J. Schmitt, and W. Futtermenger, Zeitschrift fuer Angewandte Physik, Vol. 10, No. 1, Jan. 1958, pp 1-7.



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Fig. 4. Reflection factor, Irl, as a function of normalized frequency for various absorbers: (a) Single resonant case, Fig. 1; (b) Doubly Resonant case, Fig. 2; (c) Triply resonant case, Fig. 3

(about -2.4 y/deg C) which offset the positive coefficient of the Zener diodes. A number of specific applications are suggested in the original paper.

Abstracted from an article by G. Meyer-Broetz, Elektronische Rundschau, Vol. 11, No. 12, Dec. 1957 pp 376-377

> Temperature coefficient and internal resistance variation as a function of Zener voltage for a 125 mw diode.

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# Function Generator For Two Independent Variables

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**T**HE NATIONAL Bureau of Standards has constructed a function generator that produces an output which is a function of two independent input variables. The instrument is fully electronic, operates at much higher frequencies than is possible with electro-mechanical systems, and can be built from commerciallyavailable equipment.

Basically, the instrument employs a number of single-variable function generators and provides a method for interpolating linearly between them. A block diagram of the instrument is shown in Fig. 1. The x variable drives a number of function generators; the y variable drives a number of voltage-controlled attenuators.

Each function generator, except for the first whose output corresponds to the value of the function for y = o, is fed through an electronic attenuator. Each successive attenuator is ad-





#### OUTPUT FROM FUNCTION GENERATOR

Fig. 2. Block diagram of one channel of voltage-conrolled attenuator.

justed to begin conducting when the previous one is almost fully on. All of the generators are fed in parallel from the x input. The outputs of the attenuators are filtered and summed in the output amplifier. A portion of the output of each function generator is subtracted from the output through the use of an inverting amplifier. This is to compensate for the residual output of the voltage-controlled attenuators when they are supposed to be off. A filter is used here to make the frequency response of both amplifiers equal.

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The voltage-controlled attenuators receive their inputs from the y variable. A triangular wave is generated and compared to the y input. Whenever the triangular wave plus the u input exceeds zero, the comparator turns on a gate to admit the output from one of the function generators. There is a voltage-controlled attenuator for each function generator except for the case where y = 0. Block diagram of one channel of the attenuator is shown in Fig. 2. Whenever the triangular wave plus the y is less than zero, the gate is turned off. The output of the gate, containing both x and y values, is filtered to remove the triangular wave. It is then summed with the outputs of the other gates to produce the desired f(x,y). Non-linear interpolation may be accomplished by changing the shape of the triangular wave. Operating frequencies up to about 100 cps are acceptable for the Bureau's unit. Linearity of interpolation is about 1 per cent, which is sufficient for most applications.

Abstracted from National Bureau of Standards Technical News Bulletin, Apr. 1958, Vol 42, No. 4.



Fig. 1. Block diagram of function generator which produces an output that is a function of two independent input variables.

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### **EIA Issues Spec for Military Components**

The Electronic Industries Association has increased its engineering effort to include specifications for component parts for military equipment. The first spec issued was SMC-1, entitled Fixed Ceramic Capacitors, Low Loss (High Reliability). This program [See "Designing For Reliability," ED, Feb. 19, p. 3, insert.] was undertaken by EIA after they recognized the need for up-todate reliable component parts specs for use in military equipment the fact that ASESA, due to its lack of authority and agreement between the Services, was about three years behind in this program. The program was considered necessary due to the difficulties being encountered by endequipment manufacturers in obtaining the components they needed of sufficient quality to meet the end-equipment reliability requirements. Many of these end-equipment manufacturers were forced to expend considerable engineering and testing effort to write their own procurement documents, while at the same time the differences in the various manufacturers' procurement documents and the extra testing requirements contained therein caused hardships to the parts producers.

The EIA program for specs for military component parts is presently divided into three parts: (1) the preparation of specs for parts now available; (2) the preparation of specs for parts not immediately available, but which are within the accomplishment of the present state of the art; and (3) the preparation of "blue sky" specs for future needs.

To date, the action has been concerned with category (1) items, and preliminary work is now being directed to category (2) fields. At present, work under category (1) is concerned with eight specific areas: capacitors, connectors, resistors, relays, switches, transformers, wire, and cable.

The primary objective in preparing specs for parts now available is to combine the procurement documents of various end-equipment manufacturers (most of which are based upon MIL specs with various requirements added) into common EIA component parts specs for use in military equipment. These specs are limited to components available from at least two makers. This is a practical program, an administrative job which should result in one spec and one number for each given part without excessive delay.



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EIA SMC-1, FIXED CERAMIC CAPACITOFS, LOW Loss (High Reliability), November, 1957

Primarily designed for military end-equipment manufacturers, this spec covers high reliability, fixed ceramic capacitors, of up to and including 500-volt rating. The type capacitor is specifically suited for resonant circuit application or any other application where high figure of merit Q and stability of capacitance are essential. The objective reliability is defined as that which will result in an in-service failure rate of less than 0.01% per 1000 hours. A typical type designation for capacitors meeting this spec follows: CCR22-U2J470G. The basic format of this spec follows the format established by the military. Copies of this spec are available from the Electronic Industries Association, 11 West 42nd Street, New York 36, N.Y., for \$1.10 per copy.

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MIL-R-19A, Resistors, Variable, Wirewound, (Low Operating, Temperature), Amendment 1, 16 December 1957

Hardware is no longer to be assembled on the resistor unless specified. However, for direct Government orders, the hardware is to be assembled on the resistors. Footnotes 3 and 4 under table IV are clarified by indicating the type bushing and style resistor involved.

#### **Use of Non-Standard Specs**

ANA BULLETIN NO. 147q, SPECIFICATIONS AND Standards of Non-Government Organizations, 1 December 1957

Subject to the limitations imposed by ANA Bulletin No. 143 and in the absence of an applicable Government spec or standard, those non-Government specs and standards listed in this bulletin may be used without further approval by the Service. For example, a spec or standard listed may be used or specified by the contractor based on his engineering determination of its application. Satisfactory operation of equipment manufactured to these specs and standards is still the responsibility of the manufacturer.

#### **AF Specs**

The Air Force has announced the release of the following specs:

MIL-D-9310A, DATA FOR GUIDED MISSILE WEAPON SYSTEMS, 20 NOVEMBER 1957

MIL-G-9412B, GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT FOR WEAPON SYSTEMS, SUPPORT SYSTEMS, SUB-SYSTEMS, AND EQUIPMENT; ENGINEERING, 8 NOVEMBER 1957

MIL-R-25717B, Reliability Assurance Program for Electronic Equipment, 13 November 1957



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### STANDARDS AND SPECS

### Capacitors

MIL-C-19624(SHIPS), CAPACITORS; FIXED, BY-PASS, METAL-ENCASED, HERMETICALLY SEALED, Alternating and Direct Current (Interference Reduction), Amendment 1, 16 January 1958

The graph showing insertion losses (Fig. 2) has been deleted.

MIL-C-25A, CAPACITORS, FIXED, PAPER-DIELEC-TRIC DIRECT-CURRENT (HERMETICALLY SEALED IN METALLIC CASES), SUPPLEMENT 1G, 12 DECEMBER 1957

This supplement lists the fifteen military spec sheets which form a part of this spec.

MIL-C-12889A, CAPACITORS, BY-PASS, RADIO-IN-TERFERENCE REDUCTION, PAPER DIELECTRIC, AC AND DC (HERMETICALLY SEALED IN METALLIC CASES), GENERAL SPECIFICATION FOR, AMENDMENT 1, 10 JANUARY 1958

The "life test voltage" in Table II has been clarified. A requirement that the dissipation factor shall not exceed 1.5% has been added to the life test.

### **ASA Price List and Index**

The American Standards Association has released the 1958 price list and index of all ASA standards. Included in this publication are publications of the International Organization for Standardization and the International Electrochemical Commission. Copies of this 68-page publication may be obtained without charge from the American Standards Association, 70 E. 45th St., New York 17, N.Y.

### **Canadian Standards**

CSA C22.2 No. 02-1958, Use of Flexible Supply Cords and Fixture Wires With Electrical Appliances

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SAMA RC11-1-1958, MECHANICAL CHART DRIVES,

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MIL-STD-271(SHIPS), NONDESTRUCTIVE TESTING **REQUIREMENTS FOR METALS, 2 JANUARY 1958** The entire section dealing with the use of liquid penetrants for detecting the discontinuities in ferrous and nonferrous materials has been revised.

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MIL-T-25453A(ASG), TEST POINTS AND TEST FA-CILITIES, AIRBORNE AND ASSOCIATED ELECTRONIC Equipment, 12 November 1957

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