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## Energy to Burn

Ever since lost fall, when Electrionic: Desigis got hot, so to speak, on the subject of energy conversion ("Converting Heat to ElecIricity," Sept. 28), an energetic editor in our office has kept in close touch with developments and outhorities in the field. The result is a new Staff Report in this issue, analyzing three more techniques of energy conversion: batteries, fuel cells and solar cells. The four experts who join in the report worked in close cooperation with our technical editor How. ard Bierman.
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## Majority Voting, Adaptive and Quad Techniques Being Designed to Meet Demands of Military

## Manfred Meisels

News Editor
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ELIABILITY demands of military electronics are forcing development of advanced concepts of redundant circuit design. Majority voting, network and adaptive concepts are com-
manding the interest and winning the support of the armed services, now saddled with the "put in two of everything" approach to redundant design.
Typical of this approach, which only doubles reliability, is the SAGE FSQ-S air clefense sys-


Quadded multivibrator continues to function despite random removal of 45 of 128 components. Circuit failed after removal of 46th component, which was replaced for this photo of demonstrator. Although situation is extreme, at least two components must fail before the circuit can fail.


Complex transistor Quad conlinues to operate despite failure of any single component. Certain combinations of multiple foilure will also permit operation. In some instances degradation of performance coused by one combination of component failures is remedied by subsequent bination of component failures is re
failure of additional components.

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Simple component Quads, said to offer up to 600 times decreose of unreliability, compared with single components. Parallel-series configuration is preferable if components tend to fail in open-circuit mode. Series-parallel Quad favors components prone to short-circuit failure.

Network redundancy, perhaps best described as the "put in more of everything approach," multiplies the penalties of weight, cost and complexity inlerent in any redundant circuitry. It has the virtue, however, of reducing or eliminating the switcling problem. Leading exponents of this techniqe include Magnavox Research Laboratories of Torrance, Calif.; Sylvamia; the National Burean of Standards and Gencral Electric. A redundant power supply designed by (EE will be described at this week's Solid State Circuits Conference in Philadelphia. The unit cm ploys network redundancy in critical areas, with some components duplicated up to eight times.

An unusual and rather fully developed technique of achieving ultra-reliable circuitry through network redundancy is the Quad principle being proposed for the military by Magnavox.

Each Quad las a characteristic terminal impedance identical to the impedance of the equivalent single component. Failure of one or more components through short-circuit or opencircuit will alter the terminal impedance of the Quad. Through proper design, however, the circuit can survive a wide variation of impedance among its individual quadded components.
The reliability afforded by quadding depends, of course, on the impectance variations that can be tolerated by the circuit. Each Quad has 81 ( $3^{4}$ ) possible modes of operation. Excluding total failure of all the components in the Quad, impedance will tary over a range of $t$ to 1 . If a reasonable variation of 3 to 1 is specified, the Quad exhibits 35 successful modes of operation.

The unreliability for a single Quad with these limitations is reduced to 2.4 times the square of the unreliability of the individual components in the Quad. Thus, for a resistor having a failure rate of $0 .($ OKO $)$ per year, the life expectanc: of the Quad is increased approximately 600 times.

A similar analysis was performed for a quadded multivibrator built with a total of 128 components. Again assuming reasonable failure rates for individual components, the quadded multivibrator has a one-year reliability of 0.99965 , compared with 0.9 gesy for a conventionally designed unit.

Company spokesmen admit that the increased complexity of the Quad concept poses serious obstacles to its acceptance.

Similar reactions have been elicited from the military: but the Quad concept has by no means been ruled out. One spokesman for the Rome center indicated that "A subtler form of Quad might prove acceptable."
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## NEWS

## Design Approaches Vary

## ITT Details PCM-FM System; Low-Cost Launching Planned

PRIVATE industry has already begun competitive design approaches toward development of useful commercial communications satellites.

Many details of a proposed PCM-FM system for an intercontinental television link were disclosed by International Telephone \& Telegraph Corp., New York, at the annual meeting of the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences in New York. General Electric Co. engineers also outlined in broad terms their company's planned approach to design of a communications satellite.

Previously Hughes Aircraft Co. moved into the field with the display of an experimental synchronous, or stationary-orbit, type satellite at an American Rocket Society conference in Washington (ED, Dec. 21, 1960, p 4). This Hughes experimental satellite model, weighing only 32 lb could be launched with present missile booster capabilities.

American Telephone \& Telegraph Corp. has received approval from the Federal Communications Commission for launching of an experimental communications satellite within a year. This planned system would use wide-deviation fm with feedback to achieve commercial quality signal-to-noise ratios with a satellite in a $2,200-$ mile orbit (ED, Nov. 9, 1960, p 4).


FCC has granted ITT Laboratories, Nutley, N. J., permission to use this $40-\mathrm{ft}$ steerable antenna for narrow-band transmission into space. Moon and passive satellites will be used for studying interference problems as well as checking some performance details of a planned PCM-FM active satellite communicalions system.

## For Commercial Satellites

Low-cost launching, which may result from two present Navy projects also discussed at an IAS session on commercial satellites, could act as an added spur to development efforts. Al though the government has offered industry the use of National Aeronautics and Space Administration launching facilities at cost, the "cost" can easily amount to far over the $\$ 1$ million mark with present boosters.

Navy Developing Aireraft Launching, Considering Use of Polaris-Scout Combination

One of these Navy projects, named Project Caleb, is an effort to develop methods for launching light-weight satellites from high performance aircraft. A launch of this type might put a 25 to $50-\mathrm{lb}$ satellite into orbit at a cost of about $\$ 75,000$, according to John D. Nicolides, technical director for astronautics, Navy Bureau of Weapons.
A second approach being considered by the Navy is the use of the first two stages of the Polaris missile, and the top two stages of the Scout rocket. This vehicle, which would be called the Polaris-Sea Scout, might launch a 100 lb satellite, such as the Navy's Transit, for an estimated $\$ 750,000$, according to Mr. Nicolides

The extent of interference that might be encountered if space and ground services operate in the same frequency bands is another problem that has not yet been thoroughly explored. To make actual tests under these conditions, the FCC has granted ITT Laboratories, Nutley, N.J., a license to operate an experimental space research station. Since these experiments, using the moon and passive satellite reflectors, will be performed in the high-density New Jersey area, much valuable information on interference conditions should be gathered.
Tests of timing accuracy, and other important factors in the ITT PCM-FM system will also be performed with the new antenna, Louis Pollack, associate laboratory director, space communications group for ITT, told Electronic Design.
The PCM-FM approach to satellite communications should require only about half the bandwidth to get the same signal-to-noise ratio that might be obtained with a wide deviation fm with feedback system operating at the same power levels, according to Mr. Pollack. He said that ITT's Standard Telephone \& Cables, Ltd., subsidiary in England has developed a four-level PCM multiplexer suitable for use in such a system. Test results have been excellent. - -


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## NEWS

## Two Synchronized CRT's Used in Character Generator

## Microfilm Computer Output System Operates at 15,000 Characters/Sec

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ICROFILM computer print-out at high speed is accomplished with a new character generator in the DACOM system designed by Recordak Corp. of New York.

In DACOM, (Datascope Computer Output Microfilmer) characters displayed on the face of a cathode-ray tube are photographed on microfilm. Up to 64 lines of 126 characters each can be printed on each microfilm frame. A Datascope character generator is used to convert magnetic tape data to characters on the face of the display tube. DACOM is designed for use with seven-track magnetic tape at rates up to 75 ips if packing density of 200 characters per in. or less is used, giving a print-out rate of up to 15,000 characters per sec.

If high-density tapes are used, a slower tape drive speed is required.

The DACOM system can be rented at about $\$ 7,000$ per month or bought for $\$ 285,000$ without subsidiary equipment. Delivery will be in 18 to 24 months, according to Recordak, Subsidiary of Eastman Kodak Co.

The Datascope character generator used to perform the binary-to-display conversion in

DACOM makes use of a pair of cathode-ray tubes with synchronized deflection plates. One of these tubes is the display tube, which is photographed on microfilm. An electrostatic deflection plate system is used in this tube to form characters, and a separate magnetic deflection system positions the characters on the screen. The second tube, which displays an unmodulated 16 -line raster, might be termed a character generating tube.
In operation the digital data on magnetic tape is fed into a decoding logic section. In this section the character is identified. When the identification is made, a gate associated with that character is selected from a group of 64 gates. With the selected gate a conducting path is set up between one of the photocells in a 64 -cell array and the video amplifier of the display tube.
Two sets of 64 optical lenses between the photocell bank and the generating tube form a separate optical path between each photocell and the 16 -line raster on the face of the crt. An aperture plate, with 64 characters on it, is inserted between the photocells and the raster. The opaque portions of each character on this
aperture plate cut off the light from the raster display to the phototube, and the transparent portions of each character transmit the light.

Thus as the beam scans the face of the generating tube, the phototubes associated with each character will receive or not receive light depending on the shape of the character aperture in the character plate.
Since the deflection plates of the generating tube and the electrostatic deflection plates of the display tube are controlled by the same deflection generator, a character is traced out on the face of the display tube.

## Reverse Technique Also Considered

 For Microfilm Computer InputComputer input directly from microfilm might be accomplished with a system like the Datascope character generator operating in reverse. Although some thought has been given to this approach, no actual development work has been done, according to a company spokesman.
In the reverse system, characters printed on microfilm would be enlarged by some optical system and then scanned with light. The charac-


One of the characters in the aperture plate used with the Datascope character generator is enlarged in the diagram to show how it alternately transmits and cuts off the light from the 16 -line raster to the photocell. The photocell output is fed to the video amplifier for the display tube, thus intensity-modulating the display elec tron beam.


Character generator portion of the Datascope system consists of a 16 -line raster cathode-ray tube and several optical and electronic units. The optics set up 64 separate optical centerlines to the 64 photocells. The character plate contains apertures for 64 characters. As the beam sweeps over the face of the crt, light from the tube face to the photocells is alternately blocked and transmitted according to the operture shape.
ter itself would act as the aperture. The photocell output waveform generated by this scanning process could then be matched in a set of matching circonits and the character identified by finding the "best fit.
When the identification was made, a gate could be triggered and the binary representation for the character could be written onto magnetic tape or directed into a computer.

Aside from printing of alphanumeric data, 1)ACOM can be used for plotting data points or for drawing horizontal and vertical axes. If a standard form is being used for the microfilmed decuments, this can be added to each microfilm frame by putting a display format into the photographic path between the display tube and the film. A coded transparency is also put into the photographic path, so that each microfilm frame is corded according to some data classification. This allow's an automatic scanning machineto retrieve data using to some classification.

Such retrieval machines, and also machines to print full-size documents from the microfilm. will be available as subsidiary (equipment to the basic I)ACOM system. - -


Glass aperture plate used in the Datascope charac. ler generator contains 64 characters. The center of each character is lined up with the optical centerline io an associated photocell.

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| 2N858 | 40v | 150 | 0.1 | 30120 | 6 |
| 2N880 | 25v | 150 | 0.1 | 1545 | 6.5 |
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| $2 N 862$ | 15v | 150 | 0.1 | 2060 | 8 |
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## NEWS

## Hughes IR Peltier Cooler

3-Stage Device, Using BiTe Reported at Military Conference

## Thomas E. Mount

West Coast Editor

APELTIER cooler for infrared detectors, operating at 2 amp and 2 v to achieve a temperature drop from 25 C to - 77 C , has been developed by Hughes Aircraft Co.

The new bismuth telluride cooler, described at the IRE Winter Convention on Military Electronics in Los Angeles, provides the same temperature drop as most previous high-current coolers requiring about 20 amp at 0.2 v . Peltier coolers, according to Hughes, will be useful in satellite and missile applications, which require low-current devices.

The Hughes device is a threc-stage cooler, using cell loading of about 125 mw . Conventional BiTe is used, however the junctions are cut so that the length over area $(L A)$ ratio increases. Current required by a Peltier device depends on $L / A$ as follows: $I=\alpha \times T_{c} / \mp \times L / A$.

In this equation $\alpha$ is the Seebeck coefficient, $T_{c}$ is the cold temperature in $\operatorname{deg} \mathrm{C}$, and $\rho$ is the resistivity of the material.

Most former coolers have used BiTe rods about $0.194-\mathrm{in}$. diam and $1 / 4 \mathrm{in}$. long, giving an $L / A$ ratio of 3.24 . To obtain a $\Delta T$ of $78.6 \mathrm{C}, 15.5 \mathrm{amp}$ at 0.135 v , or 2.1 w , were needed. In the Hughes unit the BiTe is cut to $0.138 \times 0.055-\mathrm{in}$., and three of these pieces are connected in electrical series and thermal parallel. This configuration requires only 3.9 amp at 0.56 v -again 2.1 w to obtain the same cooling. The $L / A$ in this case is 12.95 .

The key to the Hughes device is the cutting of the material. New fabrication techniques, not revealed by Hughes, permit brittle, sensitive BiTe to be cut smaller than was previously feasible, according to the company. In addition to brittleness, the material is extremely susceptible to poisoning and degradation by acids during processing.

## Temperature-Controlled Crystal Oven <br> Also Under Development By Hughes

Other applications under way at Hughes for the new device include crystal and discriminator ovens for satellites and missiles. One tempera-ture-controlled crystal oven already built maintains 20 C by using the Peltier unit to heat or cool as needed. A switching circuit reverses the current direction when necessary. Heating is

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more efficient than cooling because an $I^{2} R$ loss is added to the heat in the material. The currents required for this type of temperature control are significantly lower than those needed with conventional Dewar flasks.
Currently under development by Hughes is a discriminator oven that must maintain a stable 20-C temperature in an environment that may change from 85 to $-40 \mathrm{C} . ■$

## Sylvania Germanium Epitaxials

 Reduced 25 Per Cent In PricePrice reductions of approximately 25 per cent on epitaxial germanium mesa transistors have been announced by Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., a subsidiary of General Telephone and Electronics Corp.
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The Start of a Computer


Tiny germanium tunnel diode wafer (upper left) is a part of basic circuitry designed by Radio Corp. of America, Camden, N. J., as the first step toward an ultra-swift electronic computer under the Navy-sponsored Project Lightning. Electronic switching speed is 0.25 nsec . Four of the midget units will perform the same job as the circuit hoard (center), but 1,000 times faster.


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## NEWS

# Skybolt Using Magnetic Shift Register 

Stamp-Sized Wafer Packages Are Stacked to Form Cascaded, Low-Cost, Low-Power-Consuming Units



Special production techniques have been developed for the GE magnetic shift-register packagng approach. Here components making up one bit for the register are mounted on a rack prior to encapsulation. Reliability goal for the wafer development project is a failure rate of 0.0001 per cent per thousand hours for each component

0NE OF THE first applications for a new magnetic-core shift-register package is in the guidance computer of the Air Force Skybolt missile.

The shift register, consisting of thin, encapsulated wafers each containing one bit, was designed by General Electric Co.s Healy Military Electronics Dept. An advanced version using microcomponents, so that wafers are only a third the size of present units, is now under development in the laboratory:

Some of the advallatges of the magnetic-core over transistorized shift registers include lower power consumption, ease of automation, lower price, fewer components and councctions, and expected higher reliability: Much design effort has been devoted to reducing average power contsumption, so that operation at higher speed can be achieved with magnetic elements, according to Burton F. Wagner, GE project engineer.

With a shifting rate of 100 kc , power consump)tion is about 10 mw per bit. Peak pulse power on the order of 8.5 mw is necessary for operation at this shifting rate. A $500-\mathrm{ke}$ shift register now being designed is expected to require peak pulse power in the neighborhood of 170 mw . Average power consumption per bit at 400 -kc shifting rates is about 5.5 mw , tests have indicated. No steady-state de power is consumed by the magnetic core clements.

Operation at these low power levels means that few drivers are necessary for many bits.

The complete circuitry necessary for each shift register bit is encapsulated in a single stamp-size wafer. A wound toroidal ferrite core provides a


Postage stamp gives size comparison for the magnetic-core shift-register wafers developed by General Electrics Heavy Military Electronics Dept. These wafers are tested after encapsulation, and then stacked to form a shift-register module. The entire register module is then en capsulated.
permanent sturage medium, a capacitor supplies the temporary storage function, and a diode gives unidirectionality. Necessary resistors are also included in the packages.
With each shift cycle, all magnetic corrs are cleared to ZERSO. Any core that had been storing a ONE induces a current on an output winding, thos charging an associated capacitor. Then, as a ()NE or ZER() is written into the first core in the register, each capacitor is discharged to the input winding for the succeeding core in the register
The cost, ranging from $\$ 10$ per bit downward, is considerably less than that for comparable tramsistorized registers, according to Mr. W'agner.

## Memory Reliability Expected to Exceed

 That For Electromechanical DevicesReliability of the encapsulated magnetic-core shift-register memory is expected to be significantly greater than that for drum or other electrosmechanical memories. The absence of moving parts is one factor fasoring reliability. Individual tests of each encapsulated bit to be put in the register can also be performed. When the wafers are stackey to form a register, the entire unit is encapsulated, and further tests are applied.
Accelerated life tests of the wafer elements are currently in progress. However, actual reliability figures have not yet been determined.
Th:e present encapsulated shift-register wafers provide a packing density of 22,860 bits per cul ft . according to (GE. Significantly greater densities can be expected, the company said, when new wafers, a third the size of present elements. reach production

Aside from the speed limitation, however, shift register memories are not well suited to large storage functions. When storage of about $5.0(1)$ or $\mathbf{1 0 , 0 0 0 )}$ bits is necessary, some other medimu must be used.
In space and missile computer design, (iE is combining these standardized magnetic-core shiftregister elements with a standard NOR circuit package. This allows development time to be shortened considerably. Logic is provided by properly arranged NOR's, and single-hit, static storage can be achieved by using two NOR circuits feeding back into each other, giving a llipflop. The magnetic-core shift-register clements serve as the main memory.

A 50 -integrator digital differential analyzer using these two basic elements, for example, requires about 2,200 bits of storage and about 800 logic modules, according to GE. This does not include any special input-output equipment that might be needed. Such an analyzer could be contained in a 0.4 -cu- ft package weighing about $25 \mathrm{lb} .=$

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| 2 NHA | 70 | 1.0 | 40 | 40 | 20 | 40 |
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Minuteman Soars 4,600 Miles In Successful Maiden Test

GUIDANCE for the successful maiden flight of the solid-fuel Minuteman was handled by the same versatile digital computer used for ground checkout of the missile.
In past ICBM programs only the first stage has been checked on the initial launch. In hopes of speeding up the Minuteman program, however, the Air Force gambled on a test of all three stages and the guidance system on the first shot. The 4,600 -mile successful shot demonstrated the soundness of the computer's design concept.
This versatile computer, which must be extremely reliable because of the Minuteman concept of no field repairs, has been designed by the Autonetics Div. of North American Aviation, Inc. It uses an air-bearing type of magnetic-disk memory, with a capacity of about 80,000 bits, to store checkout and testing as well as guidance and oontrol instructions.
Tests will be performed on Minuteman missiles at regular intervals during storage in underground vaults. If an error is detected, the control computer will cause a "no go" signal to be sent to equipment at the launching site. The missile must then be returned to the factory for repair, since modules cannot be replaced in the field ( see description of Minuteman reliability concept, ED, Sept. 14, 1960, p. 4).
Necessary tests can also be performed under the computer's direction after a launching. If a malfunction is detected, an interrupt signal is sent to a warhead-arming circuit
On the ground the computer also controls alignment and calibration functions. In flight it solves guidance and flight-control equations, generates missile-steering commands, and controls staging and thrust-control termination.

## Air-Bearing Magnetic Disk Memory Chosen

For Long Life, Tolerance to Acceleration
Since an air bearing eliminates the mechanical friction found in ball-bearing rotating disks, it was chosen for its expected longer life. Another advantage of the air bearing, according to Dr. William L. Morris, project director for the Minuteman computer, is its acceleration tolerance. The force exerted on the disk is inversely proportional to the separation between it and the head plate. Thus, as the acceleration increases, the bearing increases its force on the disk, preventing

## Directs Ground Checks

warping. The usual disk-head plate separation is about 150 millionths of an inch.
Crosstalk did cause some trouble, according to Dr. Morris, because the bit spacing chosen was only about 1.5 mils. This problem was solved by redesign of the write heads and read and write amplifiers. Crosstalk is now held to 10 per cent of total information magnitude.
In the present memory design, a solenoid spring pulls the disk away from the head plate by about $1 / 8-\mathrm{in}$. when the computer is turned on. A 400 -cps drive in the computer turns the disk. When the disk reaches a speed of $6,000 \mathrm{rpm}$. the solenoid is fed current that causes the disk to be thrust toward the head plate. A ball bearing is used for this thrusting action. If power to the drive motor fails, a protective circuit causes power into the solenoid to fail also, and the spring pulls the disk away.

## Disk Memory Much Faster

Than Mechanical Tope Reader
This disk memory operates at a cyclic rate about a thousand times fas.er than could be expected with a mechanical tape reader on the ground. Thus checkout and testing are performed many times faster than by current practice, according to Dr. Morris. The extensive groundcheckout equipment normally needed is also eliminated.

The computer, which operates in serial mode, is completely transistorized. The silicon devices and germanium-mesa transistors used have been selected for extremely high reliability and hightemperature characteristics. - -


Ground checkout functions as well as guidance and control tasks are performed by this solid-state computer for the Minuteman inertial guidance system. Autonetics Div., North American Aviation, Inc., designed the unit.


The newest Mincom magnetic tape instrumentation recorder / reproducer, to be announced in detail next month, answers the need for better performance in the intermediate frequencies. Covering bandwidths from 200 cps to 300 kc at 60 ips with improved dynamic range, it fills the gap between Mincom's Model C-100 ( $125 \mathrm{kc} \cdot 60 \mathrm{ips}$ ) and the Model CM-100 ( $1 \mathrm{mc}-120 \mathrm{ips}$ ). The new model also is extremely versatile, offering both FM and Direct recording / reproducing. One-rack compactness, all-transistorized electronics. Wait and see more of this new system's extra capabilities.

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## NEWS

## Radar-Beacon Tracking Used For Discoverers Series

High-Accuracy Discoverer Satellite Tracking Network Integrates Many Complex Electronic System Concepts


Tracking system for Discoverer-program satellites provides four services: tracking data of sotellite and recovery capsule; command of system; collection of telemetry information; and master timing. Long-Range VERLORT radar used is modified from a previous system and oper ates as radar-beacon system to reduce power requirements at ground stations. Analog data are developed as de voltages by potentiometers for slant range, azimuth and elevation. Digital information is developed by separate encoders and provides tracking data for automatic transmission to test center. Special-purpose orbital computer is included in each radar subsystem. Pulse-beacon transponder carried by Discoverer satellites is redesign of standard microwave missile-borne beacon. Also carried by sotellites is multichannel vhf $\mathrm{fm} / \mathrm{fm}$ telemetry transmitter for recording both environmental and equipment-operating data. Data are decommutated from tape and recorded on oscillographs after each pass of satellite. Doppler-telem etry unit is included in system as backup for telemetry tracker and to provide target-acquisi tion data by reception of cw signal from satellite-borne vhit oscillator. Data-transmission subsystem forwards information to test center at $4-\mathrm{sec}$ intervals.


Sixty-ft dish for receiving telemetered if data is part of the automatictracking subsystem with 1,500 -nautical-mile range. Dish has 7.6 -deg conical scan and scan frequency of 10 cps . It can track and slew to 10 deg per sec and accelerate to 5 deg per sec. Crystal-controlled receiver used, which incorporates phase-lock detection system, has 7 -db noise figure and gain of $1185 \pm 3 \mathrm{db}$.


Time-display systems
Time-display systems for world-wide tracking network in dicate elapsed time in seconds minutes, and hours starting sev eral days before each firing. Dis plays also show estimated time to subsequent events like orbit, re-entry, etc. Basic standard is ex tremely stable 1 -mc oscillator ad justed to WWV timing signal transmissions. Beckman produced 25 displays for network.


Tri-Helix antenna array receives VHF doppler and telem. elry information and permits simultancous telemetry reception and doppler readout to provide tracking data. Based on a two-ax's system, the an. tenno operates with inp : $s \mathrm{~g}$. nals down to -185 db w . The preamplifier and te.e ciry multicoupler have a combined noise figure of less t'an 4 d '. Beam width is $20 \pm 5 \mathrm{deg}$. Doppler and timing data are combined for transmission. Present system, devsloped by Philco Corp., Western Development Laboratories, Palo Alto, Calif., requires manual control, but may be replaced by an outomatic unit now e'n. der development.


Very-Long-Range Tracking (VERLORT) radar locks on and automatically tracks vehicle in range at a rate of at least $10,000 \mathrm{yd}$ per sec with a maximum error of +100 yd . System uses a tunable-magnetron transmitter. The antenno is a 10 - ft parabolic reflector, with a 2.5 -deg bandwidth. Receiver employs a traveling-wave-tube amplifier with a minimum $25 \cdot \mathrm{db}$ gain over the frequency range. Receiver noise figure is less than 7 db , and the minimum discernible signal is below -100 dbm


Complex master timing system for time-indexing data has accuracy of one part in 100 million. Time code is read out every 4 sec in pulse-code words and pulse rates. Two time-code generators are included in each system. Basic $4-\mathrm{sec}$ interval is marked off by 16 -bit binary word produced at 20 -bit per sec rate by accumulator and scanner circuits.


Transistorized vehicle pulse-beacon tiansponder, de signed by ACF Electronics Div provides VERIORT radar with pulsed-signals for tracking. Superhetero dyne-type receiver used has sensitivity of -70 dbm stability of +3 mc between 0 and 70 C , and an image rejection greater than 45 dbm .

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PLANAR LOGIC TRANSISTOR
Combining high speed, high beta and high volt age, the 2N708 is a direct replacement for the 2N706. It requires no circuit changes, though it offers higher minimum beta. Like all plana types, the 2N708 offers extremely low leakage and outstanding parameter stability even under sustained high temperature storage.
maximum ratings

| $P_{C} @ 25 \quad$ C case temp. | 1.2 watts |
| :--- | :---: |
| $V_{\text {CER }}$ | 20 v |
| $V_{\text {EBO }}$ | 5 v |
| $V_{\text {CBO }}$ | 40 v |
| $V_{\text {CEO }}$ | 15 v |

guaranteed parametens min. Maz.

| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{I} \mathrm{CBO} \underset{ }{25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}} \\ & \pi 150^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \end{aligned}$ |  | 25 mual |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $15 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ |
| $\begin{gathered} { }^{I} C E X \odot V_{B E}+25 v, V_{C E} \quad 20 v \\ 125 \mathrm{C} \end{gathered}$ |  | $10 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ |
| $V_{B E}(S A D) ~ \sqrt{R} I_{C}=10 \mathrm{~mA} I_{B}=1 \mathrm{~mA}$ | . 75 | . 82 |
| VCE (SAI) © IC $10 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{IB}=1 \mathrm{~mA}$ |  | . 40 |
| hFE 0 IC $=10, ~ V_{C E}=1 \mathrm{~V}$ | 30 | 120 |
| hie $\sqrt{\text { c }} 100 \mathrm{mc}$ | 3 |  |
| $T_{5} \cong I_{C}=181=182=10 \mathrm{~mA}$ |  | 25 nsec |
| $\mathrm{I}_{\text {O }}$ @ $\mathrm{IC}=10 \mathrm{~mA}$, $I_{B 1}=3 \mathrm{~mA}$ |  | 35 nsec |
| $\begin{aligned} I_{\text {off }} \sqrt{a} I_{C}=10 \mathrm{~mA}, & I_{B 1} \end{aligned}=3 \mathrm{~mA},$ |  | 75 nsec |
| $C_{0 b} \sqrt{a} V_{C B}=10 v$ |  | 6 pf |

## PLANAR

## F1210

FIRST
KILOMEGACYCLE SILICON TRANSISTOR
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FT1210 1 k me OSCILLATOR

cuaranteed parameters and ratimes

| hfe (a) 3mA, Iv | 20 min. |
| :---: | :---: |
| ${ }^{\text {CBB }}$ | 30 r |
| $V_{\text {EBO }}$ | 3.5 v |
| $P_{C}$ max © ${ }^{\text {a }} 255^{\text {C ambent }}$ | 200 mm |
| TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS |  |
| $\dagger$ | 800 MC |
| 1 CBO (13 150 C. 150 | $25 \mathrm{~m} \mathrm{\mu}$ |
| Cob ra Oma, iov | 1.2 of |
| $\mathrm{Cib}^{\text {¢ }}$ ¢ Oma, 0.5v | 1.6 pf |
| RF SPECIFICATIONS |  |
| Available gain, 200 mc | $12 \text { to typ }$ $25 \mathrm{mw} \text { typ. }$ |

## FT6200

30 WATT PLANAR POWER TRANSISTOR A high frequency transistor suitable for power oscillators. RF amplifiers and memory-driver applications. The FT6200 features a newly developed power package and is the only power transistor offering planar reliability.

fT8200 POWER DSCILLATOR
10 Watts at 10 mc

guaranteed parameters ano ratines

| $V_{C B O}$ | 60 v |
| :---: | :---: |
| $V_{\text {EBO }}$ | 5 v |
| VCER $\sqrt{41} 10 \Omega$ | 40 v |
| $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{C}}$ @ $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ case | 30 watts |
| $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{j}}$ max | 200' C |
| VCE (SAT) fit IC 12 mp . $I_{8}=1 \mathrm{amp}$ | 1.5 v |
| $V_{B E}(S A D)$ (4) $\mathrm{IC}=1 \mathrm{mp}$. $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{B}}=1 \mathrm{amp}$ | 1.5 v |
|  | 20 |

TYPICAL Parameters

| भf © 20 mc , VCE $=20 \mathrm{y}$, ic 200 mA | 60 mc |
| :---: | :---: |
| Pout Osc. (5) 10 mc | 10 watts |
| Osc. eff. © 10 mc | 50\% |
| tor delay + rise (a) IC IA | 40 nsec |

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## NEWS

## IR Maser Offers First CW

Pioneering Communication Uses Sought With Helium-Neon Tube

COHERENT-LICIIT commmication systems - appear significantly closer to realization with news of a cw infrared maser developed at Bell Telephone Laboratories, Murray Hill, N.J. The device, employing a mixture of helium and neon, delivers a principal output of 15 mw at 1.153 microns. Minimum line width is reportedly 10 kc , and beam spread is less than 1 min of arc.
The gas-discharge principle used in this first cw source of coherent light could prove applicable in a wide variety of gases and gas mixtures, according to Bell scientist 1)r. Ali Javan, inventor of the device. A family of such masers, considerably more powerful and efficient than the laboratory model demonstrated by Bell, could follow.
Dr. Javan indicated that later versions of the gas discharge maser might operate at wavelengths as short as 5,000 A. Such a "green" maser would be of considerable interest to Navy scientists, who believe that a transmission "window" in sea water at about 5.000 A may permit submarine detection by a form of light radar.

The maser's cw operation was demonstrated to the press by transmitting a phone conversation through Kerr-cell modulation of the IR beam, but the communications potential of the device is being seriously investigated at Bell.
"We are studying other gases and a number of unique modulation methods as well, but unfortunately I can't be more specific just yet," Dr. Javan says.
The maser is pumped by a 28 -mc signal applied to a 10 to 1 helium-neon mixture in a


Continuously operating IR maser tube is inspected by a Bell Telephone Laboratories scientist, Donald Herriott. Tube contains helium-neon mixture ot low pressure, pumped by if discharge. Light emonating from tube is the normal neon glow and does not indicate the extremely directional IR beam that exits from the ends of the fube.

## Source of Coherent Light

slender glass tube at about 1 min of pressure. Helium atoms excited by the signal transfer their energy to the neon atoms through a collision process, thereby creating an excess of neon atoms at a higher energy level.

This energy is then surnomeded by maser radiation as the neon atoms return to a lower energy level. Since the collision process is relatively efficient and the total of atoms involved is small, the principle lends itself to cow operation with a pumping source of reasonable size. The rf generator used in experiments thus far has an output of approximately 50 ) w
Similar in design to the solid-state masers developed to date, the gas maser is built as a Fabry-Perot interferometer with high reflective, multiple-layer dielectric mirrors at cach end of the tube. The light is thus reinforced by many trips through the tube, where it gains intensity by stimulating maser action in additional neon attoms.
Because of the many excitation and relaxation levels possible for neon in this system, some 30 different 18 wavelengths can be gencrated by the maser. Principal modes are selected by tuming the interferometer and by maximizing reflectivity of the mirrors for specific frequencies. Thus far five oscillations between approximately: $11,(K K)$ and $12,(K K)$ atoms have been observed.
Colaerence of the output. denoting maser acetion, has been demonstrated by heterodyning two such frequencies to produce casily detected beat notes in the if region.

Russian scientists are also studying gas discharge masers and have reportedly operated a mercury-zinc unit. These and the better-known single gas masers operate at room temperatures and may prove more feasible for ystemus we. :-


Coherence and narrowness of cw maser is illus. trated by heterodyning the separale frequencies generated by the device. The beat noles shown range from 50 kc to 2 mc . Widths range from 10 to 80 kc . ELECTRONIC DESIGN • February 15, 1961

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T This special engineering section performs four important functions: One group designs custom units in accord-
ance with required parameters. Another group builds pulse capacitors and networks to these precise specifications. In another area, a group of specially-trained field engineers provides application assistance wherever needed. And yet another independent group works toward the future developing new materials, new design concepts, and new techniques for manufacture.

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This concentration on pulse capacitors and pulse-forming networks has enabled Sprague to introduce product improvements such as heliarc sealing of cases, rugged alumina bushing assemblies, Fabmika dielectric, and improved hermetic sealing of closures.

## WASHINGTON 

John J. Christie

NASA'S INFLUENCE ON COMMUNICATION SATELLITE DEVELOPMENTS is due to increase significantly. The space agency has initiated its first active communications satellite project by seeking bids on Relay. It also has begun preliminary studies on Rebound, an advanced version of its highly successful Echo passive communication satellite.

The Relay low-altitude active communications satellite is scheduled for a Delta vehicle launching in mid-1962. The 85-1b satellite will evaluate the transmission of wideband signals. including $T V$, multichannel telegraphy and data handling, between the East Coast of the U.S. and the West Coast of Europe.

While the proposed American Telephone and Telegraph Co. satellite will have two packages transmitting and receiving in both directions, Relay will transmit and receive in only one direction at a time. Its second receiver-transmitter package will provide redundancy for added reliability.

Relay will have an additional research mission-the measurement of radiation damage to solar cells and other critical components. Its payload will include a radiation instrument package and test panels of various types of solar cells.

A NASA conference to acquaint prospective bidders with Relay specifications drew representatives from 40 companies, including AT\&T and International Telephone and Telegraph's Federal and Kellogg Divisions. About one-fourth of the contenders were aircraft companies. Proposals are due March 6.

The space agency set as a general design objective for Relay an operational life of one year in orbit. Specifications contain stringent reliability and maintainability requirements. For example, it is specified that no circuit adjustment shall be required after a subassembly is installed. If controls must be adjusted after a unit is installed, they must be accessible without removal of any other unit.

NASA's specifications require the successful bidder to deliver four complete satellite assemblies: one prototype, two plight satellites and one flight spare. In addition a structural model with dummy electronics is required for structures tests.

MULTIPLE LAUNCHING OF SPHERES and development of a more rigid, more durable reflector than the inflatable Echo balloon are the twin objectives of Project Rebound.

Preliminary planning envisions Rebound spheres with a much thicker skin, probably of mylar and aluminum foil. A 140-ft diam, compared with Echo's 100 ft , will provide considerably more reflecting surface for higher-altitude operation. Rebound is expected to orbit at about 1,500 miles, or about 500 miles higher than Echo. The Rebound spheres are expected to weigh between 500 and 600 lb , compared with Echo's 136 lb .

Initially it is hoped to launch three spheres from a single
vehicle, but more are planned in subsequent tests. The first multiple launching is projected for 1963 and will probably be accomplished with an Atlas-Agena $B$ vehicle. Meanwhile continuing experiments with Echo will require a launching this year and another in 1962.

When Febound was Pirst under consideration some months ago, a NASA report outlined the purpose and procedure as follows: - Studies indicate that at least 12 passive communications satellites spaced around the world are required to provide essentially continuous communications. For this plan to be economically Peasible, several satellites should be placed in orbit by a single vehicle. Initial development under this project will be concerned with the problem of packaging and erection of reflectors upon ejection into orbit. If this work appears promising, then further attention will be directed to the problem of providing period control for multiple passive satellites."

Design and Pabrication of Rebound will be done under contract, as in the case of Relay and most upcoming NASA projects.

GREATER EMPHASIS ON OCEANOGRAPHY is reflected in budget provisions for increased spending on research vessels, expeditions and laboratory programs by several federal agencies and by the recent establishment of a National Oceanographic Data Center in Washington.

According to the Office of Naval Research, a priority requirement in instrumentation $R \& D$ is a means of translating signals from sensing devices to digital form for on-the-spot recording on magnetic or paper tape. Most R\&D for oceanographic instruments will be conducted in Navy laboratories, with industry getting contracts for engineering, packaging and production.

CONTRACT RENEGOTIAIION is again a subject of controversy as the staff of the Joint Congressional Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation solicits industry and Government views for a report it must make to Congress by March 31. The March report was required by the last extension of the Renegotiation Act, although the act itself is not due to expire until June 30, 1962. Whether Congress intends to take up the matter at the present session is not clear. However, introduction of bills relating to the general subject of defense industry profits is inevitable.

Industry spokesmen prefer that the Renegotiation Act be allowed to die. If Congress insists on keeping it alive, they urge that some fundamental changes be made. EIA, speaking for the electronics industry, has taken the position that the act has clearly outlived its original purpose, which was to prevent excessive or windfall profits under crash-procurement programs, such as during the Korean War. The association contends that current armed forces procurement regulations and contracting procedures preclude profit-making abuses. It cites the safeguards built into cost-type contracts, a variety of redeterminable contracts and competitive bidding.

If Congress insists on extending the act, EIA and other industry groups would like revisions that would clip the wings of the Renegotiation Board. In a brief filed with the committee staff, EIA called attention to what it termed a "tendency on the part of the board to view renegotiation as essentially a rate-making or public utility type of proceeding" rather than a means of recapturing unconscionable profits, as was intended.

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## NEWS

High-Power Magnets Predicted With New Superconductors
Design of lightweight, superconducting magnets in the $l(x),(x) 0$-ganss range is forecast with new materials and techniques deveoped by Bell Telephone Laboratories, Murray Hill, N.J. A 15,000 -ganuss magnet only 4 in. long and less than 1 in . in diameter using molybdenum-threerhenium ( $\mathrm{Mo}_{3} \mathrm{Kh}$ ), has been successfully demonstrated.
Tests of niobium-three-tin $\left(\mathrm{Nb}_{3} \mathrm{Sn}_{\mathrm{n}}\right)$ indicate that a $1000,(000$-gauss magnet of this material would weigh only several hundred pounds. Magnets of this size and field strength are expected to open new areas in the design of masers, traveling-wave tubes and fusion reators, Benl spokesmen said.
Most proposals for high-field superconducting magnets have been frustrated because superconduction is quenched by relatively weak magnetic fields. $\mathrm{Nb}_{3} \mathrm{Sn}$, however, is said to retain its superconductivity at fields of more than 88 (h) g) gauss.

Although the properties of this material are fairly well known, its extreme brittleness has prevented falsication into corils and wires for use in magnet. Bell scientists say they have overome this dilficulty be the following novel technique:

A powdered misture of niohium and tin is sealed in a niobium tuber, which is then extruded through a die as a long wire. Since the niobium and tin are still in their clemental form, the wire remains ductile and can be wound into a coil or other desired shape. Only then is the wire heated in a furnace to react the two metals. The niohium casing itself is not superconducting in high magnetic fields, and it insulates the wire when the magnet is in operation.

The method was developed by Gene Kunzler Ernest Buehler, Frank Hsu and Jack Wernick scientists of Bell.

## Hazeltine Gets Army Contract For Transportable 40-Ft Antenna

New transportable 40 - ft radar antennas to be used with Army air-detense radar are being designed and developed by Hazaltine Corp. of Little Neck, N.Y.
Adaptable to all air-defense ground radars the OA-1227 can be segmented and transported by helicopter or truck. An experienced Army team can set it up rapidly in the field. Accord ing to Army test reports, radar performance has been greatly improved as a result of using the Hazeltine antenna. The antenna is being developed under a $\$ 2.6$ million Army contract.

## ELECTRON TUBE NEWS

## ...from SYLVANIA



...tubes with
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...new
multi-trace
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SYLVANIA "BONDED SHIELD' CRT'S FOR I\&M DESIGNS-Now Sylvania adds the advantages of "Bonded Shield" to 14 industrial-military cathode ray tubes. A scratch-resistant, annealed-glass safety cap, Sylvania "Bonded Shield" eliminates conventional safety glass cuts reflecting surfaces $50 \%$. . . dramatically reduces specular images. . . increases apparent light transmission and contrast for improved image readability. Image display is brought "out front" for wide-angle viewing, mounting and styling are simplified, tube face is easily cleaned and vastly strengthened against breakage. Sylvania "Bonded Shield" caps are also available with anti-reflection treatment that can diffuse up to $70 \%$ of reflected light. Want more? Several CRT types feature calibrated reference scales permanently etched on the bonded safety cap, thereby reducing viewing
errors caused by parallax. X'irtually all popular CRT's, from 3" to 27." can be supplied with Sylvania "Bonded Shield. Investigate its potential with your Sylvania Sales Engineer.

| Equivalent Standard Type | "Bonded Shield" Type | Equivalent Standard Type | "Bonded Shield" Type |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5FP4A | ST-3082 | 10SP4 | ST-3080 |
| 50P4 | ST-3077 | $12 \mathrm{KP4A}$ | ST-3081 |
| SUP1 | SC-3074 | $12 \mathrm{LP4A}$ | ST-3115 |
| SUP1 | SC-3076* | $14 \mathrm{BAP4}$ | ST-3101 |
| 5ABP1 | SC-3119* | $16 \mathrm{WP4B}$ | ST-2843 |
| 5ADP1 | SC. 3114 | $17 \mathrm{BP4A}$ | ST-3084 |
| $75 P 4$ | ST-3078 | $17 \mathrm{HP4B}$ | ST-3086 |
| 7 TP4 | ST-3079 | 170WP4 | ST-3102 |
| $8 \mathrm{KP4}$ | ST-3100 | 24YP4A | ST-3085 |
| 10FP4A | ST-3083 |  |  |

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## 3 high-resolution

CRT's for photo-recording


The broad capabilities of Sylvania in the field of highresolution CRT's are well illustrated by the definitionrange of three $5^{\prime \prime}$ diameter types. SC-3042 has a line width of ().()075". SC-2782 offers a $0.001^{\prime \prime}$ line width, while the ultra-high-resolution SC-2809 provides a line width of $0.0008^{\prime \prime}$
SYLVANIA SC-3042 features electrostatic focus and deflection, minimum pattern distortion and maximum sensitivity. It is availahle with a choice of eleven screen phosphors ranging from P1 to P25.
SYLVANIA SC-2782, SC-2809 feature aluminized screens. line grain P11 phosphor, conventional magnetic focus and deflection, non-ion trap guns. They simplify associated circuitry requirements, offer significant savings in equipment costs. Screen phosphors other than P11 are also available.

## New Sylvania SC-3061 - multi-trace CRT

SC-3061 features three highly reliahle. independently controlled electron guns capable of tracing three displaty simultancously on its $10^{\prime \prime}$ diameter face. The three geuns focus undeflected spots $1^{3} x^{\prime \prime}$ apart on a common vertical line. The useful horizontal scan of each is approximately $8^{1} 2^{\prime \prime}$. SC-3061 is electrostatically focused and deflected and features an astigmatism control electrode. Deflection factors, at 5KV anode voltage are approximately 1300 in. horizontal and 7()N in vertical SC-3061 uses P I phosphor, but several other screen phosphors are also availathle.

## Sylvania spiral accelerator tubes for precision 'scope applications

SYLVANIA-5BGP-, -5BHP- utilize an internal helical resistance coating to provide a uniform increase in accelerating voltage from deflection plates to the screen. They feature high-quality aluminized screens, high deflection sensitivity and accuracy, electrostatic deflection and focus. Both types can be supplied with a wide range of phosphors, all of which are rigidly controlled for premium characteristics.

| Absolute Man Ratings | 5BGP. | S8MP. | Units |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Anode No. 3 Voltare | 13.200 | 13.200 | vac |
| Isotation Shield Voltage | 2,300 | 2.300 | vac |
| Deflection Plate Shield Voltage | - | 2.300 | vac |
| Anode No. 2 Voltage | 2.200 | 2.200 | vac |
| Anode No. 1 Voltage | 880 | 880 | vac |




## New Sylvania SC-3093-3" monoscope CRT for high-speed printing

Custom-built SC-3093 provides signal generation of characters to associated high-speed printing equipment. SC-3093 features electrostatic focus and deflection and provides a built-in $2^{\prime \prime}$ sq. target plate with a capability of 64 alpha-numeric characters. Similar monoscope tubes can be supplied to your specifications with a variety of black and white halftone patterns.

## New Sylvania low-heater-power CRT's



Developed by Sylvania, the new highefficiency heater-cathode assembly consumes only 1.5 (a 140 mA - less than $6 \%$ of the normal CRT heater power requirements. A flat pancakelike structure. (0.05 $05^{\prime \prime}$ in diameter and 0.(011" thick, it possesses extremely low mass, thereby enhancing resistance to shock and vibration. It is adaptable to practically all present-day CRT designs.
SYLVANIA -3BGP- offers high-deflection sensitivity, electrostatic deflection
and focus, optical-quality, clear, presied faceplate. It is a compact, direct-view scope tube with face dimensions of $11 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$.
SYLVANIA -3BMP- is a $3^{\prime \prime}$ diameter tube with flat. clear faceplate. It offers post-dellection acceleration, electrostatic deflection and focus.
SYLVANIA SC-3016 features extremely compact size of only $6^{\prime \prime}$ in length and a circular face of $11 / s^{\prime \prime}$. It provides high-deflection sensitivity, electrostatic focus and deflection.

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Key } \\ \text { Characteristics } \end{gathered}$ | 386p. | 38MP. | SC-3016 | Units |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Heater Ratings | $1.5 \mathrm{~V} / 140 \mathrm{~mA}$ | $1.5 \mathrm{~V} / 140 \mathrm{~mA}$ | 1.5V/ 140 mA |  |
| Anode No. 3 Voltage |  | 6600* |  | Vac |
| Anode No. 2 Voltage | 2750* | 2200* | 2750* | Vdc |
| Anode No. 1 Voltage | $1100^{\circ}$ | $150{ }^{\circ}$ | $1100{ }^{\circ}$ | Vdc |
| Face Dimension | 11/2 $\times 3 / 4$ | 3 | 11/8 | inches |
| Over-all length | 91/4 | 10 | 6 | inches |

-Absolute max ratings

Proven Sylvania capabilities in design and manufacture run the breadth and width of CRT applications - from highly sophisticated radar equipment to automobile ignition testers. The more than 200 Cathode Ray Tube types presently available represent only a small segment of Sylvania product capabilities. If your industrial-military design pre-
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Tasker Flight Control Equipment Undergoing NAFEC Evaluation Tests

Flight conditions are displayed on air-control radar screens with a new system now under evaluation at the National Aviation Facility Experimental Center in Atlantic City, N.J.
This erpuipment, designed by Tasker Instruments, I'an Nuys, Calif., includes a video-tracker programer, radar aircraft tracker, display-character generators, radar video conditioner, precision appoach radar (PAR) consoles, and support equipment.
The video-tracker programer contains a magnetic drum memory that stores more than 200,000 bits of digital information concerning the identity; destination, arrival time, aircraft type, and control data for as many as 50 aircraft. These data are presented to controllers on their radar displays. The radar display consoles use a 21-in. diam daylight-viewable display with alphanumeric symbol printing.

The radar trackers are used to provide continuous position data on all aircraft; they are comprised almost completely of semiconductor circuitry and controlled by digital logic via the programer.

The equipment developed by Tasker will aid the controller in processing aircraft through the crucial ascent and descent phase of air flightsthe terminal area. They will aid the controller to monitor and direct all the aircraft within a $30-\mathrm{mi}$ radius of high density air terminals.

If three dimensional radar is added later to the control facility; the system can be adapted to display altitude information.

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* Hathaway Denver, recognized for quality in design, development and manufacture of measuring, testing and control instruments, announces the acquisition of the test instrument line formerly Produstrial Electronics Electronics, SIE Division (formerly Southwestern Industrial Electronic. Company).


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## NEWS

## ECI Weather Display System Slated for Project Mercury

A weather-display system developed at Electronic Communications Inc.'s Facsimile Div., will be used in Project Mercury, the man-in-space program.
Called the Electronic Messenger, the system is currently in use by the U. S. Weather Bureau for the instantaneous transmission and receipt of daily weather information. In Project Mercury it will be used to speed photos of cloud formations, and other data of special interest in launching of a manned satellite, between six U. S. Weather Bureau stations strategically located throughout Central and South Florida.

Here is how the system will work. Polaroid photos will be taken of the radar scope showing the complete weather pattern, at any given moment, within the range of any particular weather station. Developed and annotated in seconds, this photograph, together with any supplemental written or weather map information desired, is fed into an Electronic Messenger transmitter or transceiver for instantaneous receipt by other weather stations. These weather stations include those located at Cape Canaveral, Miami, Tampa, Patrick Air Force Base, and Daytona.

Youthful Scientist Blasts Off


After a four-hour countdown, at the Naval Ordnance Test Station, China Lake, Calif., 20 -year-old Marshall Kriesel of Owatonna, Minn., pushed the launch button on the 11 -ft missile that he designed and made himselt, with the encouragement of Minneapolis-Honeywell of. ficials. Missilemen said young Mr. Kriesel's "homemade" rocket, which veered off-course and crashed before attaining full altitude, was a highly complex one. Mr. Kriesel, who is going on with missile work, in vested four years and $\$ 3,500$ in his "bird."

## New Tool Measures Ultra-Low Pressures

A laboratory tool for measuring pressure down to about $10^{-10} \mathrm{~mm}$ of mercury has been developed at the Westinghouse research laboratories.

The device, known as a photomultiplier ion gage, was developed by the Westinghouse research physicists IV. J. Lange, Henry Riemersma, and R. E. Fox as part of an ultra-high-vacuum research program supported by the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission's Project Sherwood. Project Sherwood is a long-range research program aimed toward achieving controlled nuclear fusion for peacetime uses.

In the new pressure-measuring device the heated filament is done away with completely. Rather than use a hot surface to produce the required ionization of the gas, a beam of ultraviolet light is employed. The light is beamed onto a metal surface which has the ability to release electrons under the stimulus of the ultraviolet rays, the company said. These electrons are guided onto a series of similar surfaces which multiply the electrons in speed and number. These electrons then are used to form the ions that are collected and counted in the usual fashion.

## Photomultiplier Gauge Useful

 In Ulira-High-Vacuum ExperimentsThe photomultiplier ion gauge, the physicists pointed out, will be useful in a variety of key ultra-high-vacuum research experiments, being ideally suited to low-pressure studies of hot filament-gas interactions such as those encountered in the ordinary fluorescent lamp, in electronic tubes and in thermionic energy converters.

The gauge is linear with pressure over the range from $10^{-3}$ to $10^{-11}$ mm of mercury. This range of pressure is equal to that encountered in space at distances between 50 and 650 miles above the surface of the carth. According to the company, the new device has been used successfully in pressure measurements in space laboratories.

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## NEWS

## High-Speed Recording System Uses Film and Electrostatic Tube

A significant advance in the high-speed recording of electronic data as visible and projectable images has been announced by the Kalvar Corp.
The system can transform data at electronic speed into written or numerical characters on film, and into a "TV image" for giant-screen projection, Kalvar scientists said.

An electrostatic tube, the Printapix tube developed by Litton Industries of Beverly Hills, Calif. converts the electronic data to Kalvar film images at the rate of several feet per sec.

Kalvar is reportedly the only photographic film now marketed upon which a "discrete," or localized electric charge can be placed, a basic element of the new system. The patented coating on the plastic-base film is also unique in the photographic field in that the latent image on the exposed film is developed by heat alone in the completely dry process. All chemicals are eliminated by the Kalvar technique which is used in this svstem

Polarad Klystron Repair Facility


Repairs on high-power klystrons are being made at Polarad Electronics Corp.'s Microwave Tube Laboratory in Long Island City, N.Y. Polarad engineers find that by cutting the shell of the tube, it is possible to replace the gun and grid structure. With the completion of this rebuilding process, tubes are as good as new at a fraction of the replacement cost, the company claims. Such repairs are reported practical in cases of gaseousness, low emission, and heater failure.

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## 3-D Controlled Approach System Combines Swiss and U.S. Devices

A Swiss fire-control system and an American three-dimensional display system are combined in a new ground-control-approach system called Fledco.
The Fledermaus fire control radar system, produced by Contraves A. G., Zurich, Switzerland, and the Iconorama 3-D display system, designed by Fenske, Fedrick \& Miller, Inc., are combined in the mobile prototype system now being operated in Zurich.
The Fledermaus radar unit is designed for high accuracy and resolution in tracking. Iconorama is a data-integration system which processes many inputs and projects the track of an object and information concerning it on a 3-D display unit. Superimposed on this display is a panorama of land surfaces and obstacles, as well as a flightpath grid.

## PLUS Printed-Circuit Module Offers Shock-Withstanding Qualities

A modular construction, known as PLUS and consisting of crossed interlocking printed-circuit boards, has been developed by Arthur Ansley Manufacturing Co., New Hope, Pa

The interlocking boards form a structural column. End plates may also be printed circuits and can carry tube sockets or transistors and plug-in connectors.
The structures can be made in a wide variety of shapes and sizes, including a subminiature version about $3 / 8 \mathrm{in}$. square. The development is said to offer advantages in miniaturization by providing maximum circuit-board area in a given space, as well as a rugged, self-supporting structure which is capable of withstanding shock and vibration.


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## Tarzian Silicon Voltage Regulators for Tomorrow's Circuits in Design Today

## Japanese Continue Push

## Designs Range From Gadgetry To Refined Laboratory Devices

## Stuart Griffin

Electronic Design Japan Correspondent

JAPANESE firms are keeping a continuous stream of new electronic products moving into the market in Japan. Developments range from novel gadgetry for consumer items to more sophisticated electronic developments for use in the research laboratory.
A cathode-ray tube which can produce two different images simultaneously on a single face has been singled out by the Japanese Government's Science and Technology Agency as one of the most practical Japanese inventions of the year. The tube can be used, for example, to show an instantly vanishing image on one half of the screen, and a slowly vanishing image on the other half. In combination with a cathode-ray oscillograph, it can be used to observe mixed sound patterns, such as those caused by the exhaust of an internal combustion engine. The new cathode-ray tube is now being produced by Sanken Co., Numazu City.

## Transistorized Clock-Radio

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of the chimes is amplified through a $6-\mathrm{cm}$ speaker. The watch portion of the unit is being supplied by Citizen Watch Co., Ltd., Tokyo.
An automatic time switch operates the twoband radio, which has another $10-\mathrm{cm}$ speaker. The entire clock-radio combination is about 12.5 in . wide, $2.5-\mathrm{in}$. high, and $4.5-\mathrm{in}$. deep. It holds four UM-1 dry-cell batteries.

Another new product on the market is a small push-button interphone using printed wiring. This unit is being marketed by Matsushita Tsushin Industrial Co., Ltd., Yokohama. The interphone, about the size of a book in the pocket version, comes in two models. The TP-101 is for two-way communications, and the TP-301 is for three-way communications.

## New Ultrasonic Burglar Alarm

## Uses Doppler For Motion Detection

A transistorized ultrasonic burglar alarm, using the doppler effect to detect motion within an area. has been introduced by Kanda Tsushin Kogyo Co., Ltd., Tokyo. An alarm is sounded whenever something moves in an area under surveillance. This area surveillance provides

## For More New Products

more secure protection than a photoelectric beam-type alarm.

A wireless, two-channel stereo sound system, using earphones, has been developed by Toho Technical Research Laboratory, a branch of Toho Motion Picture Studios.
A titanium condenser microphone, claimed to have improved temperature stability, has been developed by Nippon Electric Co., Ltd., Tokyo, through cooperation with the Musashino Laboratory of Japan Telegraph \& Telephone Corp.
Similar steel microphones have a variation of as much as 3 db with a temperature change of about 45 C , while the comparable titanium models remain almost constant. In addition, the titanium has a relatively flat response curve over a wide frequency range.

A finger-tip sized ( smbination microphone and carphone has been put on the market by New Plastics Co., Ltd., Tokyo. Measuring only $19 \times 19$ $x y-\mathrm{cm}$, the device has a frequency range of 500 to $5,000 \mathrm{cps}$.

Ourdoor Hi-Fi Stereo System Developed by Toshiba Electric

A high-fidelity stereo sound system design for ontdoor performances has been developed by the Tokyo Shibaura Electric Co. in Japan.
The unit operates on a frequency of 40 to 10,000 cycles and consists of four sections, each of which combines three speakers for the low, middle, and high-sound frequencies. Output is rated at 440 w .

The woofer is $19.5-\mathrm{ft}$ high, 8 - ft wide, and 13.6 ft deep. Its weight is $5,000 \mathrm{lb}$.


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## NEWS

## Data-Handling System Eliminates

 Need For Complex InstallationsA mobile data-handling system, which will reportedly climinate the need for complex installations, has been developed for use throughout automotive, processing, defense, and manufacturing industries. The new system, known as RADAC I is expected to considerably reduce industrial data handlling costs.
The system is composed of a Radiplex highspeed programable multiplexer, capable of sampling both high- and low-level analog information: a Radicon coder for conversion of this analog information into digital form: Radilog digital standard logie circuits which provide necessary programing and timing functions for recording the data in digital computer format; an Ampex FR-f(K) digital tape transport; and power supplies.
In addition to the basic components, the company reports that RADAC I's capability can be extended with such optional features as digital or analog quick-look recorders. atutomatic run controls. remote controls, and other devices.

The system reportedly handles י p to th analoge inputs with a resolution of $\pm 10 \mathrm{~m}, ~(1) \pm 0.1$ per cent accuracy: After digital conversion at at maximum word rate of 3.8 ke , the data are recorded in computer format on magnetic tape.

146-Db Acoustic Noise Facility


Noise facility reportedly capable of producing a higher sound-pressure level than ever before in a largecapacity reverberant chamber is examined by Avco engineers. Noise generators feed 146 db into a 200 cu-ft pentagonal reverberant chamber where individual cu-ft pentagonal reverberant chamber where individual
octave-band sound-pressure levels can be maintained octave-band sound-pressure levels can be maintained
within $\pm 3 \mathrm{db}$ with a specimen as large as $200-\mathrm{cu} \mathrm{ft}$. A total of 36 noise generators and 21 power amplifiers are used in this system. Thirty-four of the noise generators are horn-lype, covering a 150 to $9,600 \mathrm{cps}$ frequency range. The remaining 10 are direct-radiating cone noise generators in the 37 to 150 cps range.

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Hughes Data-System Display Console


Old grease-pencil method of plotting aircraft, seen in upper left, contrasts sharply with the new Navy display console in foreground, a part of the Naval Tactical Data System. (IED, Sept. 14, 1960, p 20). Developed by Hughes Aircraft Co., Fullerton, Calif., the console dis plays graphically all aspects of aerial, sea-surface, and submarine warfare for combatant ships within a Naval task force. Soon to be installed in Navy ships, NTDS will cut down human error and will enable command personnel to comprehend the immediate tactical situation. Hughes developed the experimental data display system for the Navy Electronics Laboratory of San Diego, where the units were tested

## Analog-to-Digital Converter Incorporates New Technique

An analog-to-digital converter, incorporating a new tecimique identified as Capeoder, is in operation at White Sands Missile Range, NM. Developed by the Towson Laboratories, Inc. of Towson, Md., the model employs a simple technique involving the exchange of charge between capacitors to encode electrical inputs.
T. T. Eaton, president, said similar work is being conducted on another transistorized model for airborne application under Navy sponsorship. The Navy model will offer 10 -bit resolution and encorling rates of over 18,000 words per second, including sample and hold features Mr. Eaton said. The input impedance is 1 meg and full scale ranges of 0 to +5 v or $\pm 2.5 \mathrm{v}$ are available. This unit, employing 45 transistors, is completely contained in a 120 (0)- Cl -in. volume and requires a power input of only 6 w . According to the company, small sizes can be obtained as a result of circuit simplification.


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| 501 | .9 usec. | 1.000 | .2 usec. | .5 db |
| 502 | 2.0 usec. | 470 | .40 usec. | 1.2 db |
| 503 | 4.0 usec. | 220 | .80 usec. | 2.5 db |
| 504 | 9.0 usec. | 100 | 1.8 usec. | 5.0 db |
| 505 | 15.0 usec. | 56 | 3.0 usec. | 9.0 db |

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## IBM Associative Memory

## Experimental Memory Permits Retrieval According to Content

DESIGN of an experimental memory employing core storage elements is reported by the International Business Machines Research Laboratories, Yorktown Heights, N.Y. This announcement, following in the wake of an experimental cryogenic associative memory by the company, is further indication of the present research emphasis on such memory concepts for next-generation computers.
Rather than specifying and extracting information by storage address, the new memory retrieves data according to actual content. Memory search is not sequential; instead, all storage elements are interrogated simultancously:

These operating features are achieved by interrogating through a mask, itself consisting of ferrite cores. A mask core is provided for each core in a storage plane, but each mask core simultaneously interrogates its corresponding cores in all storage planes.
Mask cores are inscribed so that output from the mask consists of drive pulses whose polarity indicates whether a " 1 " or a " 0 " is being searched for. Interrogation is parallel hy word, and serial by bit.
Each storage core is designed to yield a small signal when it contains the information being sought, and to generate a large signal when there is a mismatch between stored and interrogating information. These large signals switch suitably designed core detectors, one detector for each storage plane.

## Defectors Respond to Mismatch

## Between Mask and Bit Planes

When a particular bit plane is energized, all the cores respond in the manner described. The matching cores yield a small signal which does not affect the detector cores; the mismatching cores generate a large signal to switch the corresponding detector cores.

When interrogation is completed, cores corresponding to the desired words have not been switched. These words are then selecterd and read out.

Another feature claimed for the experimental memory is nondestructive readout. Storage stability has been demonstrated for more than one million interrogating cycles.
Word lengths of up to 36 bits are said to be feasible with a passive detector. Transistorized

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## Uses Masking Cores

detectors could handle word lengths of 1,000 bits. according to IBM scientists. Memory capacities of several hundred words could operate with a single interrogation driver. Larger sizes would require parallel operation. - -


Associative memory is shown here in its first, breadboard form. Core structure, of 4-bit capacity is at upper right-hand corner. Remainder of breadboard consists of peripheral equipment, drivers, etc.


Interrogating mask searches all bit planes simultaneously in associative memory. Pulses from interrogating cores correspond to the information desired. If cores in bit plane match the interrogating signal, output is small, and detectors are not switched; mismatch yields a large signal. After interrogation is completed, unswitched detectors correspond to the desired words in the memory.

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## Video Tape Recording Standards

 Are Available from SMPTEFour proposed American Standards on videotape recording have been prepared and are available from the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engincers, 55 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N.Y.

Proposed standard VTR 16.2, Dimensions for 2-In. Video Magnetic Tape, specifies the dimensions for the width, thickness, and curvature of $2-\mathrm{in}$. video magnetic tape.

Characteristics of the Audio Records for 2-in. Video Magnetic Tape Recordings, VTR 16.5 covers the audio records for $2-\mathrm{in}$. video magnetic tape recordings.
Another standard, VTR 16.6, Dimensions for Video, Audio, and Control Records on 2-In. Video Magnetic Tape, specifies the locations and dimensions of the video, audio, and control records on 2 -in. video magnetic tape.

The fourth standard, VTR 16.8, Speed for 2-In. Video Magnetic Tape, specifies the rate of travel of 2 -in wide video magnetic tape in recorders.

Powerful Eye on the Sky


Man is dwarfed by the 60 -ft radar antenna now under construction at Cornell Aeronautical Laboratory, Inc. of Buffalo, N.Y. When the experimental 50 -million-w radar installation begins operating this fall, CAL scientists reportedly will study the ability of "high-peak power" radar to penetrate the earth's ionosphere in order to detect and track ballistic missiles and satellites with greater accuracy and at considerably longer range than is now possible. CAL is conducting this research program for the Defense Department's Advance Research Projects Agency under the supervision of the Army Rocket and Guided Missile Agency. The trans mitter for CAL's new installation was designed and built for the Laboratory by FXR, Inc. of Woodside, N.Y.

TV Used for Precision Alignment


Industrial TV for precision alignment of large automated machine tools has been installed at Douglas Aircraft by TELantograph Corp. s Telautovision ClosedCircuit TV Div. of Los Angeles, Calif. The operotor of the company's Drivematic Riveter checks the ram position on each pilot hole to be drilled which is projected on his monitors. He holds a dead man's" switch which can stop the tape-programed riveter if the monitor indicates it is out of alignment. The riveter positions to a non-accumulative tolerance of $0.30-\mathrm{in}$.

## New Data-Processing Centers In Offing for General Electric

Anticipating that industry shipments of commeicial computer equipment will increase 33 per cent within two years, General Electric Co.'s Computer Dept. is planning to open 11 new data-proces-ing centers and 10 additional sales offices in major cities across the nation.
The new data-processing centers will support GE computer installations and will handle dataprocessing, training, statistical, computing or tabulating problems, data processing service will be sold to banks, utilities, commerce and industry for handling payroll, inventory, accounting, production scheduling, sales analysis, engineering and scientific problems.
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## EDITORIAL

## The Rootless Engineer

A not insubstantial number of engineers have employment records little different from those of migrant farm workers.

Both criss-cross the country getting jobs where their talents are in demand. The farmhand usually moves north and south; the electronics engineer, east and west. The farm worker's cycle is easy to predict: it follows the season. The electronics engineer's travels appear considerably more whimsical, since the Department of Defense doesn't award contracts on a strictly seasonable basis. The pay difference for the two groups is significant. The migrant hand averages about $\$ 1,200$ a year; the electronics handyman, eight to ten times that amount.

On the surface, it looks as if both might acquire a diversity of experience in a short time. However, the migrant worker knows better; he is aware that he will never break a dollar an hour unless he is on piece work. The itinerant electronics engineer hasn't yet faced reality.

He can still pick up a handsome increase per mowe. But there is a ceiling on "engincering-only" experience.

Any engineer's salary is figured not only on his technical ability but also on his administrative ability. Administrative ability is seldom identified as such-it goes under the label of "gets work done on time," "cooperative attitude," "understands company procedures," "inspires confidence on the part of coworkers," "loyal to company," and so on.

Proved administrative ability-the ability to get the right job done-does figure heavily in an engineer's worth. Responsibleness is always rewarded.

But industry practice has fostered the development of routless engineers, unidentified with any long-range goal. Companies doing heavy defense business hire and fire engineers on a schedule based on contract progress.

The rootless, itinerant engineer never really identifics himself with his employer. He never links his goals with the company's goals, he never truly engages in a cooperative endeavor. Instead, he is project-oriented. Six or nine months on one task and he is ready to move. He sees no challenge in the present job.
The rootless engineer, whose orientation is solely the technical job at hand, will have to develop outstanding technical competence to make up for his deficiency of experience in working with others for a common goal. We doubt that this competence will be achieved by a preoccupation with reading and answering help-wanted ads.

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## Graphical Procedure for Transistor

## Switching Circuit Design

> In addition fo eliminatines tedious trial and error calculations, the graphical procedure pree sented defines the selection range of circuit com ponents fo permit optimum design solution.

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SINCE three unknowns are contained in the two equations involved in the design of the switching circuit shown in Fig. 1, algebraic solution involves tedious trial and error calculations. Although an adequate solution can be achieved after several attempts, it will not be possible to determine whether the optimum design has been reached. A graphical procedure is presented which, in acdition to saving time, defines the selection range of each resistor.
The switching circuit under consideration is shown in Fig. 1. The analysis can be applied to either npn (as shown) or pnp transistors because absolute voltage terms are used. The switching
circuit can be in either of two modes:
Mode 1, $Q_{1}$ on $-Q_{2}$ off and Mode 2, $Q_{1}$ off()$_{2}$ on. Satisfactory operation in Mode 1 requires the base current supplied ( $I_{R S}$ ) to $Q_{1}$ to be equal (1) or greater than the minimum value of base current required ( $I_{B R}$ ) to turn $Q_{1}$ on while $Q_{2}$ is off. Satisfactory operation in Mode 2 requires the absolute value of base to emitter reverse bias voltage $V_{\text {ne:rs' }}$ of $Q_{1}$ to be equal in or greater than the absolute minimum value of base to emitter voltage required $V_{\text {beris }}$ to hold $\rho_{1}$ off while $\Theta_{2}$ is on. The conditions for satisfactory opera tion in Modes 1 and 2 are summarized:
('ondition 1 (Mode 1), $I_{B S S} \geqq I_{\text {Bh }}$
( ondition 2 (Mode 2), $V_{\text {HEFS }} \geq\left|V_{B E F R}\right|$
The design problem is to determine $R_{C}, R_{1}$ and $R_{2}$ such that conditions 1 and 2 are satisfied with worse case tolerances applied to the supply volt-
ages and resistors.
To satisfy Conditions 1 and 2, consider operiltion in Modes 1 and 2.
Mode 1, $Q_{1}$ oll - $Q_{2}$ off
The equivalent circuit is shown in Fig. 2. where

$$
I_{H, S}=I_{1}-I_{2}
$$

Sutisfactory operation in the on-off mode requires that Condition 1 be satisfied.

$$
I_{U, S}=I_{1}-I_{2} \geqq I_{R R}
$$

The minimum and thus worse case value of $I_{n s, t}$ oscurs when $I_{1}$ is a minimum and $I_{2}$ a maximum

$$
\begin{equation*}
\underline{I_{B S S}}=\underline{I_{1}}-\overline{I_{2}} \geqq I_{B R} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Tolerancing the supply voltages and resistors accordingly and substituting in 1

$$
\underline{I_{B S}}=\frac{\left|V_{C C}\right|-I_{C O} \overline{R_{C}}-\left|V_{B E N}\right|}{\overline{R_{C}}+\overline{R_{1}}}
$$



Fig. 1. Reverse bias for $Q_{1}$ is provided by $R_{2}$ and $V_{B B}$.


Fig. 2. For Mode 1 operation, $Q_{1}$ on and $Q_{2}$ off, $I_{\text {Is }}$ $=I_{1}-I_{2}=I_{B R}$.


Fig. 3. For Mode 2 operation, $Q_{1}$ of and $Q_{2}$ on, $\mathrm{V}_{\text {REFY }}=\left|\mathrm{V}_{\text {BIIFII }}\right|$.


Fig. 4. Composite graph of $R_{2}=F\left(\kappa_{1}, R_{f}\right)$ and $R_{2}=G\left(R_{1}\right)$ with $R$ as the parameter.

$$
\frac{\left|\overrightarrow{V_{B B}}+\left|V_{B K X}\right|\right.}{\underline{R_{2}}} \geq I_{B K}
$$

where
(1) $V_{e \prime}$, is the maximum absolute value of hase to emitter voltage of $Q_{1}$ while on.
(2) $I_{r o}$ is the maximum collector leakage current of $Q_{2}$ while off.

The cquivalent circuit is shown in Fig. 3 where

$$
I_{2}^{\prime}=I_{2}^{\prime}+I_{n^{\prime}}^{\prime}
$$

Sulbstituting in Eis, 3 and solving for $\mid V_{\text {br }}$ rs $\mid$
$\left|V_{n K P N}\right|=\frac{V_{k K} R_{1}-V_{C R} R_{2}-l_{n}^{\prime} R_{1} R_{2}}{R_{1}+R_{2}}$
Satisfactory operation in Mode 2 requires that Condition 2 be satisfied. Thus, tolerancing the sinplatages and resistors
$\underline{V_{n e p s}}=\frac{V_{n n} R_{1}-V_{c k} \overline{R_{z}}-I_{n}^{\prime} R_{1} \overline{R_{2}}}{K_{1}+R_{z}}$
where
(1) $V_{r e}$ is the maximum absolute value of collector to emitter voltage of $Q_{2}$ while on.
(2) $l_{n}{ }^{\prime}$ is the maximun base leakage current of $Q_{1}$ while off.
The problem reduces to determining values of $\boldsymbol{R}_{R^{\prime}} . \boldsymbol{R}_{1}$ and $\boldsymbol{R}_{2}$ succh that Eqs. 2 and 4 are satisfied. Satisfying Eqs. 2 and 4 in turn satisfies Conditions 1 and 2 which is the design problem.

As previously mentioned $R_{c}, R_{1}$ and $R_{2}$ may be found algebraically by a trial-and-error method. This can be done by assuming a value of $R_{c}$,

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Fig. 5. Graphical solution of $R_{1}, R_{2}$ and $R_{0}$. The shaded region represents the area of satisfactory solution. Since the tolerance box remains in this region, $R_{1}{ }^{1}, R_{2}{ }^{1}$ and $R_{c}{ }^{1}$ are proper solutions.


Fig. 6. Graphical solution of the design example used to illustrate the technique.
substituting it in Eq. 2 and then solving Eqs. 2 and 4 simultaneously for $R_{1}$ and $R_{2}$. If this solution is not satisfactory, the process is repeated until an adequate solution is determined. Very often several selections of $\boldsymbol{R}_{\boldsymbol{c}}$ must be made before an adequate solution can be determined and even then an optimum solution is not apparent. To overcome these difficulties a graphical solution is presented.

## Procedure for Preparation

## Of a Graphical Solution

In the following analysis, the resistor tolerances are removed and taken into account graphically. The values of $\boldsymbol{R}_{C}, \boldsymbol{R}_{1}$ and $\boldsymbol{R}_{2}$ which make $\boldsymbol{I}_{B B}=$ $I_{B K}$ and $\left|V_{B E F S}\right|=\left|V_{B E F R}\right|$ are critical values. With the resistor tolerances removed, $I_{B E}=I_{B R}$, and $\left|\underline{V_{B E F E}}\right|=\left|V_{B E F R}\right| ;$ Eqs. 2 and 4 are solved for $R_{2}$
$R_{2}=\frac{\left[\left|\overline{\Gamma_{B B}}\right|+\left|V_{B E N}\right|\right]\left[R_{C}+R_{1}\right]}{\left|\underline{V_{C C}}\right|-I_{C o} R_{C}-\left|V_{B E N}\right|-I_{B R}\left[R_{C}+R_{1}\right]}$ (5)
$R_{2}=\frac{\left[\mid \underline{V_{B B}\left|-\left|V_{B E P R}\right|\right] R_{1}}\right.}{\left|V_{C B}\right|+V_{B E P R}+I_{B}{ }^{\prime} R_{1}}$
Generally $I_{C o} R_{C} \ll\left|\underline{V_{C C}}\right|-\left|V_{B B N}\right|-I_{B K}\left[R_{C}+R_{t}\right]$ and can be neglected. Thus, Eq. 5 becomes
$R_{2}=\frac{\left[\left|\overline{V_{B B}}\right|+\left|V_{B E N}\right|\right]\left[R_{C}+R_{1}\right]}{\left|\underline{V_{C C}}\right|-\left|V_{B E N}\right|-I_{B R}\left[R_{C}+R_{1}\right]}$

Eq. 6 gives $R_{2}=G\left(R_{1}\right)$ and 7 gives $R_{z}=$ F ( $\boldsymbol{R}_{1}, \boldsymbol{R}_{C}$ ). When $\boldsymbol{R}_{C}$ is used as a parameter and the functions are graphed, their nature is similar to Fig. 4.
With the composite graph, values of $R_{1}, R_{2}$, and $R_{c}$ can now be determined that satisfy Conditions 1 and 2. Assume the resistors have a tolerance of $\pm K$. Conditions 1 and 2 are satisfied if the toleranced values of $R_{1}$ and $R_{2}$ remain within the region bounded by $R_{2}=F\left(R_{1}, R_{C}[1+K]\right)$ and $R_{2}=G\left(R_{1}\right)$. This is illustrated in Fig. 5. $R_{1}{ }^{\prime}$ and $R_{2}{ }^{\prime}$ (when toleranced) remain within the tolerance box shown and since the tolerance box remains in the region bounded by $R_{2}=F$ ( $R_{1}$, $\left.\boldsymbol{R}_{C^{\prime}}[1+\mathrm{K}]\right)$ and $\boldsymbol{R}_{2}=\boldsymbol{G}\left(\boldsymbol{R}_{1}\right)$ (shaded region), then $R_{C^{\prime}}, R_{1}{ }^{\prime}$ and $R_{2}{ }^{\prime}$ satisfy Conditions 1 and 2 .
Some conclusions are apparent from Fig. 5 with respect to satisfying Conditions 1 and 2.
(1) The larger $R_{c}$, the smaller becomes the region for selection of $R_{1}$ and $R_{2}$. A critical value of $R_{C}$ exists ( $R_{C R}$ ), such that for $\boldsymbol{R}_{C}>\boldsymbol{R}_{C R}$ no values of $\boldsymbol{R}_{1}$ and $\boldsymbol{R}_{2}$ will satisfy both Eqs. 2 and 4. Obviously, the maxiinum and minimum positive values of $\boldsymbol{R}_{o}$ which satisfy Conditions 1 and 2 are $\boldsymbol{R}_{c}=\boldsymbol{R}_{C \cdot R}$ and $\boldsymbol{R}_{c}=\mathbf{0}$.
(2) Crossing the $\boldsymbol{R}_{2}=\boldsymbol{F}\left(\boldsymbol{R}_{1}, \boldsymbol{R}_{C}{ }^{\prime}[1+\mathrm{K}]\right)$ boundary with the tolerance box gives values of $I_{B S}<I_{B R}$ which do not satisfy Condition 1.
(3) Crossing the $\boldsymbol{R}_{2}=G\left(\boldsymbol{R}_{1}\right)$ boundary with the tolerance box gives values of $\left|\underline{V_{R B P B}}\right|<$
$V_{B E F R}$ which do not satisfy Condition 2. It was assumed that $I_{C o} R_{C}$ \& $V_{C c}\left|-\left|V_{\text {biss }}\right|-\right.$ $I_{B R}\left[R_{C}+R_{1}\right]$ could be neglected. The term $I_{c o} R_{C}$ has the effect of shifting the curve for $\boldsymbol{R}_{\mathbf{2}}=\boldsymbol{F}\left(\boldsymbol{R}_{1}, \boldsymbol{R}_{c}\right)$ slightly up and to the left. This shift would tend to violate Condition $1\left(I_{R S} \geqq\right.$ $\left.I_{B K}\right)$. To offset this shift and not violate Condition $1, R_{1}$ and $R_{2}$ should be selected so as to shift the tolerance box slightly up and to the left which is essentially increasing $R_{2}$ and increasing $R_{1}$. Very often $I_{C O} R_{C}$ « $\left|\underline{V_{C C}}\right|-\left|V_{B E N}\right|-I_{B R}\left[R_{C}+R_{1}\right]$ and it is not necessary to adjust $R_{1}$ and $R_{2}$ as just described. If any doubt exists as to whether Condition 1 is satisfied, the solution should be substituted in Eq. 2 which contains the effects of $I_{C O} R_{C}$ and verify that $I_{B B} \geqq I_{B R}$.

Examination of Eq. 7 indicates that $R_{2}$ will remain constant if $R_{1}$ is decreased by the same amount that $\boldsymbol{R}_{i}$ is increased and vice-versa. Therefore, it is only necessary to calculate values of $R_{1}$ and $R_{2}$ for one value of $\boldsymbol{R}_{c}\left(\boldsymbol{R}_{c}=0\right.$ is suggested) from which the curve for any value of $R_{C}$ can readily be determined. This allows at series of curves for different values of $R_{c}$ to be plotted with very little effort.

## Design Example

## Illustrating the Graphical Procedure

To apply the graphical analysis to :t practical design problem, assume it is required to determine $R_{1}, R_{1}$ and $R_{2}$ of Fig. 1 with
$V_{c c}=+10 \pm 5$ per cent (collector supply voltage)
$V_{B B}=-5 \pm 5$ per cent (bias supply voltage)
$I_{B R}=10 \mathrm{ma}$ (minimum base current required to turn $Q_{1}$ on)
$I_{c o}=0.1 \mathrm{ma}$ (maximum collector leakage current of $Q_{2}$ off)
$I_{B}{ }^{\prime}=0.5 \mathrm{ma}$ (maximum base leakage current of $Q_{1}$ off)
$V_{B E N}=+0.5$ (maximum base to emitter voltage of $Q_{1}$ on)
$V_{\text {BPPM }}=-0.1$ (maximum base to emitter voltage required to reverse bias $Q_{1}$ off)
$V_{C E}=+0.5$ (maximum collector to emitter voltage of $Q_{2}$ on)
All resistors have a $\pm 10$ per cent tolerance. Substituting these values in Eqs. 6 and 7
$R_{2}=C_{i}\left(R_{1}\right)=\frac{[5 \times 0.9 i-0.1] R_{1}}{0 . i+0.1+0.5 \times 10^{-3} \times R_{1}}$ $R_{2}=V^{\prime}\left(\boldsymbol{R}_{1}, R_{c}\right)$

$$
=\frac{[5 \times 1.05+0.5]\left|R_{c}+R_{1}\right|}{10 \times 0.95 j-0.5-10 \times 10^{-3}\left[R_{c}+R_{1} \mid\right.}
$$

Eqs. 8 and 9 are graphed and shown in Fig. 6. Eq. 9 is plotted for $R_{r}=0$ from which the curves from $R_{C}=200$ and 220 ohms are derived. Since the $\pm 10$ per cent tolerance box remains within the region bounded by $R_{2}=\mathrm{C}\left(\boldsymbol{R}_{1}\right)$ and $\boldsymbol{R}_{2}=\boldsymbol{F}\left(\boldsymbol{R}_{1} 220\right)$ then $\boldsymbol{R}_{1}=330, \boldsymbol{R}_{2}=1.5 \mathrm{~K}$ and $R_{c}=200$ ohms satisfy Couditions 1 and 2 and is an adequate solution.

In order to verify that Conditions 1 and 2 are satisfied, the above solution is substituted in liqs. 2 and 4 which yields:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{I_{B S}}{} & =11.1 \mathrm{ma} \geqq I_{B R}=10 \mathrm{ma} \\
\left\lvert\, \frac{V_{B E P S} \mid}{}\right. & =0.17 \geqq\left|V_{B E R R}\right|=0.1
\end{aligned}
$$

In conclusion, the above determined resistors assure:
(1) $\left(Q_{1}\right.$ on and $Q_{2}$ off) that the base current supplied to $Q_{1}$ will not be less than 11.1 ma .
(2) $\left(Q_{1}\right.$ off and $Q_{2}$ on) that the reverse bias base to emitter voltage of $\Omega_{1}$ will be no greater than -0.17 v
when the supply voltages and resistors are tolerarce in the worse case direction.
The above solution is an arbitrary one of many and is selected to illustrate the graphical method of design.

To demonstrate further the usefulness of the graphical design method consider the following. It is generally desirable to make $R_{R}$ : as large as possible in order to reduce the collector current of $Q_{2}$ when it is on; this in turn minimizes the base drive current required-assuming a constant transistor beta for $Q_{2}$. Using the graphical method of design, this is simply done by increasing $R_{C}$ until the tolerance box just fits in the region of solution; this is a difficult and time-consuming task when algebraically determined. - -


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## All-Pass Networks - Part 3

# Their Use for High Quality Delay Lines 

The versatile all-pass network, which introduces phase shift without attenuation, can vastly improve delay lines. Here, in the third of a series of articles on all-pass networks, Mr. Lubkin shows how to use the networks in these applications. The first part of this series, "The Anatomy of Net works," appeared in the October 12 issue of Electronic Design. The second part, "Using Networks to Shape Transient Response," appeared in the October 26 issue. Part 4, on ripple, will appear in a subsequent issue.

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$T$HE USE of all-pass networks can enable the designer to build delay lines of much higher quality than the vast majority of those now of fered for sale. The designer can even take an existing line and add his own all-pass corrective network to produce a line with much better characteristics than he started with.

A delay line is a filter whose primary function is the faithful reproduction of the input waveform at the output terminals, delayed in time by an amount $t_{d}$. Since delay lines are generally used for pulse work, the response parameters are usually given for the case where the input is a step. Fig. 1 shows the important characteristic of the input and output waveforms

## Laurent Theorem

Gives Delay-to-Rise-Time Ratio
Suppose the transfer function of a luw-pass network or delay line is

$$
\begin{equation*}
F(\omega)=A(\omega) e^{-i \phi(\omega)} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $A(\omega)$ is the amplitude response and $\#(\omega)$ is the phase shift. The response of this network to a step will be similar to that shown in Fig. 1 and will have a delay, $t_{d}$, and a rise time, $t_{r}$. The ratio, $t_{d} / t_{r}$, is a dimensionless quantity widely used as a figure of merit for delay lines and lowpass filters. A theorem of Laurent ${ }^{1}$ gives the delay-to-rise-time ratio as

$$
\begin{equation*}
R=t_{d} t_{r}=\frac{t_{d}}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} A \cos \left(\phi-\omega t_{d}\right) d \omega \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

In general, designs are chosen to maximize $R$.

## Section Efficiency

## Depends on Available Phase Shift

Suppose we have a low-pass filter or a delay line with an amplitude response $A(\omega) \leq 1$ and a
phase shift $\psi(\omega)$. How can $A$ and $\%$ be chosen to maximize the delay-to-rise-time ratio, $R$ ? The available phase shift is defined as the difference between the maximum and minimum values of ₹(01). (For a low-pass filter the minimum value will occur for $(1)=0$.) This difference will always be a multiple of $\pi / 2$, and for a network without resistors, it will always be a multiple of $\pi$.

The available phase shift is a function of the complexity of the network, and is equal to $\pi / 2$ times the sum of the number of poles and the

difference (including sign) between the number of right-half-plane eeros and the number of left-half-plane veros.
Suppose there are g, $\pi$ radians of plase shift available, and the phase shift is linear with frequency. Using $\mathbf{E q}_{\mathbf{1}}$. 2. we see that the choice of $\boldsymbol{A}(t, 1)$ which will maximize $\boldsymbol{R}$ for this particular plase slift is unity for $\cos \left(\%-\left(\omega f_{d}\right)>0\right.$ and zero for other freguencies. Thas A should be unity for (1) $<$ "', where

$$
\begin{equation*}
\omega_{i}=\frac{(\eta+1 / 2) \pi}{t_{d}} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

and should be zero for all other trembencies. Thus, substituting in E!f. 2,

$$
\begin{equation*}
R=\eta+\frac{1}{\pi} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

and the delay-to-rise-time ratio is equal to the number of "undistorted" $x$ 's of available phase shift, the number being arrived at by weighting the acthal phase shift according to both phase and amplitude distortion.

In general, a "section" of a minimun-phaseshift netwerk (the ustal kind) has an available phase shift of a radians. Eq. 4 indicates the maximum possible value of $R$ for $q$ sections of a lowpass filter. The section efficiency for a particular filter is then the ration of $R$ for the filter to $R$ given by Ecq. 4.

## Iterative Delay Lines

Easy to Make and Adjust
The usual delay line is composed of a number of identical sections in series. This type of construction is called "iterative" and is preferred becallse of relative case of fabrication and adjustment. The section commonly used (Fig. 2), was originated by (G. W. Pierce. ${ }^{2}$ This section is in the form of a low-pass tee structure, with series inductances and shunt capacitances and with cou-
pling between the inductances. In a delay line of more than one section, series inductances can be combined into a single inductor. The Pierce section can be used as a tee, a pi, or a ladder section.
Many radar sets designed in World War II and later used the Pierce section without coupling between the inductors, and some manufacturers still make this type of line. This section has two poles and no finite zeros, and no zeros are introduced by cascading sections, so that $\pi$ radians of phase shift are available per section. The maximum value of $R$ obtainable from a cascade of $q$ such sections is $q+1 / \pi$. In practice these delay lines perform very poorly, with 10 -section delay lines having $R$ of 4.3 and 80 -section lines having $R$ of 20 .

Since the Korean War, most manufacturers have gone to the "compensated" Pierce section (negative coupling between inductors), which has two poles and two zeros and prowides very efficient delay lines. The zeros are at $s= \pm(1 / M)^{1 / 2}$, where $M$ is the coupling coefficient. Since they are in opposite half-planes, they have no effect on the phase shift. The maximum $R$ is the same as that of the uncompensated delay line, but the compensated lines are much more efficient. With reasonable care in component selection, Piercesection delay lines have been made with $R$ of 7.9 for 10 -sections and 50 for 100 -sections.

## Maximal-Flainess Criterion

## Requires Small Disfortion Terms

As the number of cascaded sections increases for a low-pass section, the amplitude cut-off becomes very sharp and the cutoff frequency becomes very small. The series expansion for the amplitude and plase shift is

$$
\begin{align*}
& A=1+b \omega^{2}+d \omega^{4}+\ldots \\
& \phi=\ell_{\omega} \omega+c \omega^{3}+c \omega^{5}+\ldots \tag{5}
\end{align*}
$$

For a large number of sections, it is important that the phase shift at low frequencies be linear. Since successive terms in the expansion differ by a ratio of (1) ${ }^{2}$, which can amount to orders of magnitude for small (1), it is desirable that as many as possible of the distortion terms be zero. (The distortion terms are those in $w^{3}, w^{3}$, ctc.) This condition is called the maximal-flatness criterion and is widely used in delay-line and filter design. (In delay-line design, the criterion is generally applied to the phase shift, while in filter design it is arisilied to amplitude response.)

A delay line is said to have maximal flatness of order $m$ if the first $m$ derivatives of the delay with respect to frequency are zero at the origin. (The delay is the derivative of the phase shift with respect to frequency.) The uncompensated Pierce section is not maximally flat, while the
compensated line, with $M=-1 / 12$, is thirdorder maximally flat. It is possible to make a fifthorder line by cascading compensated Pierce sections and all-pass sections.

## Maximally Flat Pierce Section Makes Efficient Delay Lines

The phase shift of the Pierce section can be calculated using

$$
\begin{equation*}
\cos \phi=1+Z_{1} / 2 Z_{2} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $Z_{1}$ is the total series impedance and $Z_{2}$ is the total shunt impedance. ${ }^{3}$
For the Pierce section,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\cos \phi=1-\frac{\omega^{2} L C}{2\left(1-\omega^{2} . M L C^{\prime}\right)} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

## Expanding the denominator in a power series,

$\cos \phi=1-\frac{\omega^{2} L C}{2}-\frac{M \omega^{4} L^{2} C^{2}}{2}-\frac{M^{2} \omega^{6} L^{2} C^{3}}{2}+\ldots$
$\operatorname{Cos} \varphi$ can also be expanded in a power series

$$
\begin{equation*}
\cos \phi=1-\frac{\phi^{2}}{2}+\frac{\phi^{4}}{21}-\frac{\phi^{6}}{3 \cdot 20}+\ldots \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $\approx$ is an odd function of $\omega$ it has a power series composed of odd powers of $\omega$ and for a third-order, maximally flat network the coefficient of $\omega)^{3}$ is zero, so

$$
\begin{align*}
\phi & =t_{d} \omega+e \omega^{5}+y \omega^{7}+ \\
\phi^{7} & =l_{d}{ }^{2} \omega^{2}+21_{d} \omega^{6}+\ldots \\
\phi^{4} & =\iota_{d}{ }^{4} \omega^{4}+\ldots \\
\phi^{5} & =t_{d}{ }^{5} \omega^{4}+\ldots \tag{10}
\end{align*}
$$

If Eq. 10 is substituted in Eq. 9,

$$
\begin{align*}
\cos \phi & =1-\frac{1}{2}\left(t_{d}^{2} \omega^{n}+2 \ell_{d} \epsilon^{6} \omega^{6}+\ldots\right) \\
& +\frac{1}{24}\left(t_{d}^{4} \omega^{4}+\ldots\right)-\frac{1}{i \cdot 2( }\left(t_{d}^{6} \omega^{6}+\ldots\right)+\ldots \tag{11}
\end{align*}
$$

Since Eqs. 8 and 11 are true for all values of $\omega$, we can equate terms in the same power of $\omega$. Equating terms in $\omega^{2}$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
t_{d}=\sqrt{L C} \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

Note that $L$ is the total series inductance in one section, and $C$ is the total shunt capacitance in one section. Eq. 12 gives the delay per section. If a delay line is composed of a number of identical sections, the delay is multiplied by the number of sections and the delay for the whole line becomes

$$
\begin{equation*}
l_{d t}=\sqrt{L_{t} C_{t}} \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $L_{8}$ is the total series inductance of the line
and $C_{6}$ is the total shunt capacitance. Thus the delay depends only on the total series inductance and shunt capacitance and not on their distribution. This is not true of the rise time.

Equating fourth powers of $\omega$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
-1 / L^{2} C=t_{1}^{4} / 12 \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

so that $M=-1 / 12$. Other values of $M$ do not give third-order, maximally flat sections.
If we equate sixth powers of $\omega$ we find that

$$
e=t_{d}{ }^{5} .480 .
$$

From Eq. 12 of the first article in this series ( $E D$, Oct. 12, 1960), we find that, for the duopole,

$$
\begin{align*}
\phi= & \frac{\omega}{r}\left(\frac{4 a}{r}\right)+\frac{\omega^{3}}{r^{3}}\left(1-\frac{4 a^{2}}{3 r^{2}}\right)\left(\frac{4 a}{r}\right) \\
& +\frac{\omega^{5}}{r^{3}}\left(1-\frac{4 a^{2}}{r^{2}}+\frac{16 a^{4}}{3 r^{4}}\right)\left(\frac{4 a}{r}\right) \ldots \tag{15}
\end{align*}
$$

Hence $t_{d}=4 a / r^{2}$, as before. For the third-order maximally flat all-pass section, the coefficient of ()$^{3}$ in Eq. 15 must be zero, so that $a / r=\sqrt{3} / 2$ The fifth-order term can be explicitly evaluated. and the coefficient of $\omega^{5}$ is $-t_{d} / 720$

## Fifth Order Maximally Flat Delay Line Provides High Section Efficiency

The sign of the coefficient of $\omega^{5}$ in the powerseries expansion of the phase shift of the Pierce section is positive, while that in the expansion of the all-pass section is negative. Thus a suitable combination of all-pass and Pierce sections can be found with a zero coefficient for $\omega^{5}$ in the series expansion for phase shift, and a fifth-order, maximally flat delay line can be made.

Since the coefficient of $\omega^{3}$ for the all-pass section is $-t_{d} / 720$, and that for the Pierce section is $t_{d} / 480$, any combination of Pierce sections and all-pass sections (of the same impedance) in which the Pierce sections make up $2 / 5$ of the total delay and the all-pass sections make up $3 / 5$ of the total delay, will be fifth-order maximally flat. Delay lines made in this manner will have appreciably better section efficiency than conventional lines.

## Commercial, Maximally Flat Pierce Seems Much Befter Than Theoretical

The phase and amplitude characteristics of the maximally Hat Pierce section are shown in Fig. 3. This section is very nearly ideal, and for a small number of sections, the delay-to-rise-time ratio of the Pierce line will be very nearly equal to the number of sections.
As the number of sections increases, the phase distortion of the Pierce section becomes significant. If the value of $R$ is calculated using Eq. 2. for a 50 -section maximally flat Pierce line, $\boldsymbol{R}$ turns
out to be only about 14 , much less than that of commercial lines designed to be maximally flat Pierce lines. The improved performance over the theoretical line can be accounted for in three ways:

1. The amplitude cutoff of the line is lower than theoretical because of finite component $Q$. This actually improves rise time because it cuts gain at frequencies where the phase distortion is severe $\left(\cos \left[\omega t_{d}-\phi\right]<0\right)$.
2 . Distributed capacitance across the inductors changes the Pierce section into one with somewhat different characteristics. For the right values of capacitance, the phase error is less than for the Pierce section.
2. Because the components used are not ideal, manufacturers do not put all their trust in calculations and they adjust the coupling coefficient, M, for best results. For a finite delay line, overcoupling and overcompensating for the phase error yields a better delay line, particularly when there is appreciable distributed capacitance across the inductors. When $M$ is changed from $-1 / 12$ (maximally flat) to $-1 / 11$, the 50 -section Pierce line will have a delay-to-rise-time ratio of 28 , just about equal
to the best of the 50 -section commercial lines.

## All-Pass Lines Befter Than Pierce Due to Smaller Distortion Terms

The all-pass section can be used directly as a delay line, provided that it is put in series with a low-pass filter which restricts the pass-band. The all-pass network makes a better delay line than the Pierce section because the distortion terms are smaller. A 50 -section, maximally flat, all-pass delay line would have a delay-to-risetime ratio of 28 if the series low-pass filter were ideal, just as with the best commercial units. $R$ could be improved to about 33 by overcompensating. A Pierce section comes very close to being the ideal, series, low-pass filter for the all-pass delay line.
The phase errors of the maximally flat and over-compensated Pierce and all-pass sections are compared in Fig. 4 for sections having unity delay. The phase error for the Pierce section without coupling is also shown. It is evident that:

- The Pierce section without coupling ( $M=0$ ) makes a very poor delay line (because the phase distortion is very high at low frequencies).
- The all-pass sections are better than the

Pierce sections (because the phase distortion at a given frequency is less).

- The overcompensated sections are much better than the maximally flat sections for lines of reasonable length-say up to 100 or 150 sections (because though the phase distortion at low frequencies is higher, the distortion is negligible for a line of this length, and the high-frequency phase distortion is less).

Fig. 5 shows the circuits of the maximally flat Pierce and all-pass sections, both for $1-\mu \mathrm{sec}$ delay per section and a characteristic impedance of 1,000 ohms. Component values are about the same for overcoupled sections.

Because all the zeros of the all-pass section are in the right-half plane, the available phase shift of the all-pass section is $2 \pi$, twice as much as the Pierce section. One practical effect is that, for a given delay, the all-pass components are smaller, hence cheaper. Furthermore, coil losses are smaller, so lines will have less pulse attenuation.
Lastly, the smaller components permit longer delay lines to be built without special techniques, and they behave more nearly like ideal components at high frequencies.

There are some disadvantages to the smaller


Fig. 3. Phase and amplitude characteristics of the maximally flat Pierce section.


Fig. 4. Phase distortion of maximally flat Pierce, overcompensated Pierce, and all-pass sections.
component values. Since circuit capacitances are small, the effects of associated circuit capacitance will be greater. Very small inductances are diffcult to fabricate and couple accurately. The greatest drawback of the all-pass network is its inability to be realized in an unsymmetrical form because of the bridging capacitor.

Use of the unsymmetrical form, illustrated for the Pierce section in Fig. 6, permits automatic adjustment of the coupling coefficient to any value whatever, using closely coupled coils. Instead of two equal inductances in each section, a single autotransformer is used with a total selfinductance of $(1+M) L$ and with a tap at the de sired inductance ML.

A cascade of unsymmetrical sections is electrically equivalent to a cascade of balanced sections. This means that the Pierce line is normally cheaper to make for a given number of sections than the all-pass line. It does not mean that a Pierce line with a given $R$ is cheaper to make than an all-pass line with the same $R$.

## Maximum Practical Number of Sections <br> Determined by Inductor $Q$

At this point the designer may be tempted to


Fig. 6. An unsymmetrical Pierce secFig. 6. An unsymmetrical Pierce sec.
tion with automatically adjustable coupling coefficient.
ask, "Why so much fuss about getting a good section? The difference between the Pierce and all-pass sections isn't so much anyway, and if we want a better delay line, we'll just add more sections."
The answer is that what you do depends on what quality line you want, how much you can afford to pay, and what the competition is doing. A useful rule of thumb is that the maximum practical number of sections you can use is equal to the $Q$ of your inductors.

After World War II, most delay-line manufacturers used the very unsatisfactory, uncoupledPierce network and built delay lines with a maximum $R$ of about 20 for 100 sections. Further improvements with this network were not possible at the time because of low inductor $Q$. About 10 years ago, the Electronic Computer Corp., which is no longer in business, succeeded in getting $R$ of 50 for a 100 -section line using overcoupled Pierce sections. By increasing the line length to 125 sections, they could raise $R$ to 60 , but further increases caused deterioration in $R$.

A few years later, they had improved their inductors to the point where 200 -section lines were practical and they were able to get $R$ 's of 75 to so. On occasion, and not repeatably, they were able to make 400 -section lines with $R$ of 100 . A few years ago, ESC Corp. announced a line with $R=170$. This high ratio was obtained by stacking about 500 Pierce sections and using specially developed ferrites with very high $Q$ 's. The procedure is normally very expensive.

## Cascading Too Many Sections

## May Not Be Profitable

The major reason that cascading more sections does not pay off too well is that the section efficiency drops as more sections are added, and the drop is faster if the sections are not very good. For two iterative sections in cascade, the gains multiply and the phase errors and delays add.

Experience confirms the mathematical proof which leads to three important conclusions.

1. Section efficiency goes down more rapidly as either the amplitude or phase distortion increases.
2. Phase distortion is probably more important than amplitude distortion.
3. $R$ can actually decrease as the number of sections increases especially if the phase distortion is sufficiently poor.
We can obtain some useful quantitative data on cascading sections. Suppose we have a maximally flat network whose phase shift can be described by $\quad \phi=\omega+a \omega^{n}$
(17)

If we have $q$ sections, then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\phi_{n}=q \omega+q a \omega^{p} \tag{18}
\end{equation*}
$$

Suppose the associated amplitude characteris-
tic is unity until the phase error is 90 deg , and zero afterward. If $p$ is large, the cosine of the phase error will approach $1-k w^{2 p}$, where $k$ is a constant. The cosine will be very nearly equal to unity for frequencies where the phase error is less than 90 deg. If we substitute in the Laurent equation we find that $R=t_{d} \omega_{0} / \pi$ where $\omega_{0}$ is the frequency for $90-$ deg phase error. From Eq. 18,

$$
\begin{align*}
& q \mu \omega_{0}^{p}=\pi / 2, \text { and }  \tag{19}\\
& \omega_{0}=\sqrt[r]{\pi / 2 q a} \tag{20}
\end{align*}
$$

If we substitute this in the equation for $R$, noting that the delay is $q$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
R=q^{p-1) / p}\left(p \sqrt{1 / 2 a \pi^{p}-}\right) \tag{21}
\end{equation*}
$$

## and $R$ is proportional to $q^{(p-1) / p}$.

For the Pierce section without coupling, $\boldsymbol{p}=3$, so $R$ is proportional to $q^{23}$. To double $R$, we have to add 2.8 times as many sections. Thus if we take the figure of $R=20$ for a 100 -section line, we need 400 sections to obtain $R=50$.
For the third-order, maximally flat Pierce and all-pass sections, $R$ is proportional to $q^{b / 5}$. This is nearly true for the overcoupled sections also. An additional 2.35 times as many sections are needed to double $R$. Referring to previous data, we see that to obtain $R=50$, we need about 340 sec tions of maximally flat, Pierce line, about $103 \mathrm{sec}-$ tions of maximally flat, all-pass or overcoupled Pierce line (verified by commercial practice), and only about 83 sections of overcoupled, all-pass line. The advantage of good sections is obvious.

## Large Rise-Time Improvements <br> From All-Pass Networks

It is frequently possible to make large improvements in network rise time by using all-pass networks, either as corrective networks, or as basic structural elements. The same considerations apply to fall time since the networks are linear.
What about the other parameters? Do we have to pay a price of deterioration of other characteristics to gain improvements in rise time? In general, the answer is "no." The other major characteristics of a pulse response are droop and ringing. Phase correction with all-pass networks should have little effect on droop, which is determined by an effective network $Q$. Phase correction can have a very beneficial effect on ringing. and this will be discussed in the next article in this series. - =

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## How To Specify Noise

## In Precision Linear Potentiometers

When considering wiper-contact resistance in precision linear potentiometers, what are the acceptable limits of Equicalent Noise Resistance? Some specifications-such as NAS-710, MIL-R-12934B, MIL-R-19518-establish the limit at 100 ohms. The authors dispute this figure as a standard. ENR, they say, must, in some way, be related to the circuit of use.

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ACCEPTABLE levels of Equivalent Noise Resistance in the wiper-contact section of precision linear potentiometers can be specified realistically, using the graphs in this article. Equivalent Noise Resistance (ENR) cannot be stated as a single value, but must, in some way, be related to the circuit of use.

## Equivalent Noise Resistance

As a measure of the uniformity of quality in manufacturing their wirewound potentiometers, several manufacturers, some years ago, isolated the factor of wiper-contact resistance and established the following as an internal quality control procedure. Referring to Fig. 1, with the potentiometer connected as a rheostat and an arbitrary 1 ma through the wiper, the contact resistance variation, as the wiper is moved, appears as the equivalent in millivolts; any momentary change of contact resistance, such as an open caused by dust, appears on the oscilloscope as a voltage pulse. The peak value of voltage was called Equivalent Noise Resistance.


Fig. 1. This circuir was used by some manufac turers to establish Equivalent Noise Resistance

The gencral circuit in which precision potentiometers operate is shown in Fig. 2. $\boldsymbol{R}_{L}$ represents the electrical load in the wiper circuit; $\boldsymbol{R}_{C}$, the wiper variable contact resistance due to wiper movement. When $R_{L}$ is infinite in value, the potentiometer is called a voltage divider; zero wiper current is drawn. When $R_{L}$ is zero ohms, the potentiometer is called a rheostat (current controlled); all current in the potentiometer passes through the wiper

When zero wiper current is drawn ( $R_{L}$ is infinite), any level of variable contact resistances does not produce voltage changes: the voltage output is governed entirely by the relative position of the wiper on the potentiometer resistance element. In this instance, the contact resistance variation is totally irrelevant to the performance of the potentiometer.
However, when the potentiometer is operated as a rheostat, the level of current is directly affected by the variable contact resistance, since it is in series with the potentiometer resistance element. Here the performance of the potentiometer is directly affected by its contact resistance characteristics: the variable contact resistance directly produces "noisy" outputs.

From the general circuit considerations dis. cussed above, it follows that a rational criterion for acceptable level of Equivalent Noise Resist-
ance is related to the relative wiper current, or alternatively, to the relative wiper loading. Referring to Fig. 2, this analysis can be made.

It can be shown that, in a linear potentiometer:

$$
m=\frac{1}{(1-\Sigma) p+\frac{1}{S}}
$$

The load current can be shown to be

$$
t_{L}=\frac{m E_{n}}{l_{c}+l_{L}}
$$

So that the voltage drop across the contact resistance is

$$
E_{C}=I_{L} R_{C}=\frac{m E_{i n} R_{C}}{R_{C}+R_{L}}
$$

The change in output voltage due to drop across contact resistance is:

$$
\Delta_{c}=\frac{E_{c}}{E_{\text {in }}}=\frac{m R_{c}}{R_{c}+R_{L}}
$$

Since, usually

If $\quad K=\frac{R_{C}}{R}$ and $p=\frac{R}{R_{L}}$,


then $\lambda_{r}=m K_{r} \mu=100 m \kappa_{\mu} \mu=1(k) K(m p) c_{i}^{\prime}$
For any given load ratio $p, m$ has a maximum value of 1 when $S=1$, i.e., when the wiper is at its maximum excursion from the ground terminal. The maximum "noise" voltage due to contact resistance variation corresponding to the equation $\Delta_{r}=1(0) K p$ for the circuit of Fig. 2 is shown on Fig. 3.

The data of Fig. 3 is based on maximum load current, resulting wher. the wiper is opposite the maximum excitation voltage terminal. For different wiper positions, (1) the load current will be less, and (2) the "noise" voltage induced by contact resistance variation will also be correspondingly less. The factor $m$ in the above equation will vary with both wiper position and load. A plot of this factor is shown on Fig. 4. Note that, when the load is connected to the center tap, the load factor $m$ is different from its value with load connected to one end terminal.

## How Curves Are Used to Establish

 Equivalent Noise ResistanceThe family of curves shown on Figs. 3 and 4 can now be used to establish the acceptable level of contact resistance variation, or ENR, based on the cffect of such variation on potentiometer performance. This is best illustrated by examples: Example 1. In a circuit in which a $1-\mathrm{meg}$ load to one excitation terminal appears on the wiper of a 50-K potentiometer ( $p=R / R=0.05$ ), the nature of the application permits a noise-to-signal ratio of one part in 1,000 ( 0.1 per cent); referring to Fig. 3, the maximum acceptable ENR is 2 per cent of terminal resistance ( $K=0.02$ ). Conversely, an ENR of 2 per cent of terminal resistance will introduce a maximum output noise voltage equal to 0.1 per cent of the excitation voltage. If the load was 5 meg instead of 1 meg , the allowable contract resistance variation would be 10 per cent of terminal resistance.

Further, if in actual use the usual area of operation covers only the lower 50 per cent of the pot wiper travel (referring to Fig. 4), $m$ will be 0.49 . In the example given above, the effective loading ratio is now 0.0245 ( $0.05 \times 0.49$ ); for a noise-to-signal ratio of 0.1 per cent therefore, the maximum acceptable ENR is 4.2 per cent of terminal resistance.
Example 2. In a circuit in which a 1-meg load on the wiper of a $50-\mathrm{K}$ potentiometer is connected to the center tap instead, the Load Ratio Factor for maximum noise is 0.5 , permitting an ENR equal to 4 per cent of terminal resistance for a noise level of 0.1 per cent of excitation voltage. If the usual area of operation is restricted to $\pm 25$ per cent off on either side of the center tap, the load ratio factor is 0.247 per cent and $p$ is 0.01235 $(0.05 \times 0.247)$ therefore permitting an ENR of 8.4 per cent of terminal resistance for the same output noise level. - -

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## Chemical and Solar Power Sources

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Silicon Solar Cells - Tapping Power from the Sun

For space and for many ground-based applications, power sources for electronic equipment must possess such characteristics as light weight, compact size, reliable and unattended operation. high energy per unit weight and volume, and long life. "Converting Heat to Electricity" (ED, Sept. 28, 1960, p 32) outlined the development of thermoelectric, thermionic, and MHD devices to fill these needs. Other approaches, using chemical and solar sources, are likewise being pursued to bring man's dreams of space discoveries nearer to reality.

In this Staff Report. Electronic Design analyzes in depth three techniques of energy con-version-batteries, fuel cells, and solar cells.

Batteries continue to play a most significant role in the healthy growth of electronics; more than $\$ 500$ million worth of batteries were produced last year in the U.S. Radios, hearing aids, and test equipment have depended on battery supplies for years; industrial devices, for close to a century. Present-day satellites are equipped with secondary batteries acting as storage devices for solar converters.

Battery-research gains have beer slow but steady, relatively devoid of sensational "breakthroughs." Over-all performance, however, has been considerably improved; shelf life has been lengthened, and substantial increases in energy-to-weight ratio have been achieved. The latest trends in battery design, improved cell characteristics, and the diversified application areas are discussed in "Batteries-Workhorses for Portable Equipment."

Fuel cells, producing electricity directly from chemical reaction between fuel and oxidant, are not subject to the Carnot limitation imposed on heat engines. Thus, practical fuel cells can operate at 60 to 80 per cent efficiency, almost double the figure achieved with the most efficient steam or diesel engines in use today. Fuel cells are noiseless, have infinite shelf life and are free of hot, noxlous by-products. The weight-to-energy ratio of fuel cell systems, estimated in the order of 50 lb per kw , is an attractive prospect for space applications.

An interesting possibility involves the combination of fuel cells with solar or nuclear energy sources. An isotopic source or solar energy could be used to restore the waste by-products of a fuel to the original cathode and anode reactants. Over-all efficiency should be double the value available using the same nuclear source and a heat engine. The progress of fuel cells and their construction are covered in "Fuel Cells-Converting Chemical to Electrical Energy."

In a bright, sunny location, such as Arizona or New Mexico, close to 100 w of electrical energy can be obtained for every square meter of surface covered by currently available silicon solar cells. Outside the earth's atmosphere, this figure approaches 150 w per square meter. Although solar-cell cost is high, ranging from $\$ 300$ to $\$ 50$ per watt, an appealing feature is the use of free, available energy from the sun; fuels need not be stored or transported. It is obvious, however, that a storage device such as secondary batteries must be included for operation during dark or sunless periods. For extremely long-duration service, such as satellites in orbit, solar cells are ideal since lifetime is limited by the device rather than the fuel supply. Developments in solar cells and their significant characteristics are detailed in "Silicon Solar Cells-Tapping Power from the Sun."

No single conversion technique, thermal, chemical, or solar, can be singled out as the panacea for power demands. Solar cells and fuel cells are still in their infancy, with much research and consequent gains ahead. Batteries, despite their hoary background. have been improved considerably in the past decade with further gains in view for the near future. At the present time, the "best" design for a particular application may well consist of a marriage between two or more of the available conversion schemes.

# Batteries - Workhorses for Portable Equipment 

In the face of onrushing competition from "exotic" ene'gy-conversion designs batten-research scientists continue their search to improve cell characteristics. In) cells do more than light flashlights; secondary or storage batteries are more useful than more engine starters. The advance's in battery performance, neat drevee's under dezelopme'm and the wide scope of applications presently serwed by batteries are detailed.

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DESPITE threats from more "exotic" energyconverson schemes under intensive development during the past decade, the electrochemical battery continues to rule as leading contender for the task of powering industrial, military, and space equipment separated from ac power sources. Although there is an aura of glamour about the newer conversion techniques, extensive research and development effort is, and has been, dedicated to the task of improving capacity, shelf life and performance of primary and secondary batteries

The battery industry has grown steadily since its beginning about 160 years ago; about $\$ 600$ million worth of hatteries of various types are produced annually in the U.S. alone.

Batteries are electrochemical devices which
convert stored chemical energy directly into electrical energy; they are the most efficient energy converters known today.
Electrochemical cells are generally classified into two groups, primary and secondary, based on the nature of the chemical reactions. Primary cells are discarded when output drops below a usable level. Secondary cells, on the other hand, convert chemical energy by reactions that are essentially reversible. A battery, of either primary or secondary type, consists of two or more cells connected in either a series, parallel, or series-parallel arrangement to provide the needed power. The five basic components of a cell are:

- Anode-the negative electrode from which electrons flow into the external circuit. Anodes are reducing agents which give up electrons and go into solution, forming positive ions
- Cathode-the positive electrode into which electrons flow from the external circuit. Chemically, cathode materials are oxidlizing
agents which can accept electrons with case
- Electrolyte-a solution that permits ionic conduction between anode and cathode.
- Separator-an inert, porous insulating substance to plysically separate the anode and cathode; ions in solution can flow between the clectrodes.
- Seal-a composition to prevent loss of electrolyte and water while permitting gas to escape

The electrode processes which occur when electrical energy is withdrawn from a rincmercuric oxide primary cell is shown in Fig. 1 Although the chemical reactions vary for each dectrochemical cell, the principles are the same.

The theoretical energy that can be withdrawn from a primary or secondary cell depends on the chemical reactions which occur at the anode and cathode. In general, most cells operate below their theoretical limits because of polarization effects. irreversibility of the electrode reactions or olimic losses.

Primary Cells: Compact, Disposable Power Source


#### Abstract

The four major classes of primary cells are dry, wet, reserve, and fuel or continuous feed. Most of the new developments of the last 10 years have been of the dry, reserve, and fuelcell types.

Dry cells contain an aquueous electrolyte which is immobilized and does not spill out when the cells are inverted. Three types of dry cells are presently produced in quantity in this country: Leclanche zinc-manganese-dioxide, zinc-mercu-ric-oxide, and alkaline-zinc-manganese-dioxide Leclanché cells: Approximately 90 per cent of the 2 billion dry cells produced annually in the United States are zinc-manganese dioxide cells,


commonly referred to as Leclanché cells after their inventor.

Two basic cell designs of the Leclanche type are currently being manufactured in a number of different sizes. Cross sections of cylindrical and of flat or layer construction are shown in Figs. 2 and 3.
Most cylindrical cells consist of an amalga-mated-zinc can which acts as the anode as well as the cell container. A mixture of manganese dioxide and carbon wet with electrolyte is shaped into a cylindrical core; a carbon rod the positive terminal, is placed in the center of the mixture, see Fig. 2. A starch-flour gel is used
to separate both electrodes. The entire cell may be dropped into a steel tube surrounded by an insulating jacket to retard cell leakage caused_by zinc-can perforation; this type of battery is termed "metal clad." Some manufacturers include modified starch-paste separators to provide a leak-resistant cell. An "inside-out" cell, having the rinc anode at the center of the device, is claimed to be free of leakage due to zinc-can perforation and to make better use of the zinc content.
To provide high voltages for communication equipment, flat-cell constructions have been developed. One such type is shown in Fig. 3.
 zinc-mercuric-oxide primary cell.


Fig. 2. A cross-sectional view of a Leclanché flashlight battery.

Although most of the manganese dioxide used in dry cells comes from Africa, there is a definite trend to products synthetically prepared by chemical or electrolytic processes. The more contly synthetic materials differ from the naturally occurring manganese dioxide in crystal structure, particle size, impurities, and chemical activity. Their present applications include cells designed for ligh-current drain usage for industrial and military needs.
The open-circuit voltage of Leclanche cells varies from 1.5 to 1.6 v , decreasing $0.4 \mathrm{mv} / \mathrm{C}$ from 25 to -20 C . The ampere-hour and watthour capacity are dependent upon cell size and


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Fig. 3. Typical Leclanché flat cell construction. A flat sheet of zinc acts as a duplex electrode for a layerbuilt dry cell. One side of the zinc sheet acts as the anode of one cell while the opposite side, bearing an adherent conductive coating, serves as the base of the cathode of the adjacent cell. The two-cell electrodes are separated by gel-coated paper. Cells are stacked to achieve the required voltage, then taped and sealed in wax to eliminate moisture loss.
rate of energy withdrawal. Intermittent type of service is generally preferred, especially for heavy current drain usage. Heavy drain may roughly be defined as any drain which results in a service life of 10 hr or less. Due to freezing of the electrolyte, the cells become inoperative at about -30 C . Low-temperature performance can be extended to below - 40 C hy changing to an electrolyte with a lower freezing point
Shelf life is dependent on quality of manufacturer, cell size, cell formulation, and temperature of storage. In general, the smaller the cell size, the shorter the shelf life. Storage temperature has a marked effect on shelf life; the lower the temperature, the longer the shelf life.

A considerable number of tests have been adopted, each intended to simulate some kind of service, as for example, flashlights, portable radios, hearing aids, telephones, or military services. Most tests involve discharging the cell or battery through a constant resistance simulating the current drain required to power the particular equipment. Typical discharge curves and capacity data for Leclanche dry cells compared with other dry cells are shown in Fig. 4. Zinc-Mercuric Oxide Cells: These cells use an amalgamated-zinc anode in the form of either a fine powder or a coiled corrugated strip. The cathode consists of a mixture of red mercuric oxide with about 5 per cent graphite


Fig. 4. D-size cells discharged intermittently through 4 -ohm resistors, four minutes per hour in an eighthour day.


Fig. 5. Cross-section views of a zinc-mercuric-oxide dry cell manufactured by P. R. Mallory Co.


Fig. 6. Penlight IAA. size) dry cells continuous. ly discharged through 50 -ohm resistors at 21 C
molded under pressure into a steel cup or pressed as a discrete part and assembled into the cell, depending on the type of cell produced. An aqueous potassium-hydroxide solution containing zinc oxide acts as the electrolyte and the separator consists of a cellulosic material to immobilize the electrolyte and a barrier material interposed between the cathode and the cellulosic material. A typical construction which is commercially available is shown in Fig. 5. A typical discharge curve for this cell compared with a comparable size Leclanché cell is shown in Fig. 6; the open-circuit voltage is 1.345 v . Advantages over the Leclanché cell include greater w-hr capacity, smaller voltage drop as cell discharges and better shelf life. Unfortunately cost is high.
Alkaline Zinc-Manganese-Dioxide Cells: This cell construction uses a rinc anode and a man-ganese-dioxide cathode, as does the Leclanché cell, but it has an alkaline electrolyte. The opencircuit voltage is 1.52 v . Its advantages are that it gives better high-rate performance than the Leclanche and that it can be made up easily in very small sizes which are like the zinc-mercuricoxide cells.

One type, called "crown" cells is very like zinc-mercuric oxide cell. It contains an aqueous sodium-hydroxide electrolyte and is most suitable for low-drain applications. Although these cells
do not give as high a capacity as mercuric-oxide cells of comparable size, they contain a cheaper cathode material. Improved performance with a subsequent increase in material cost can be obtained by adding mercuric oxide to the manga-nese-dioxide mix.

During the past few years, an "inside-out" construction has been designed for high-drain, continuous-duty applications. This type contains an aqueous solution of potassium hydroxide as the electrolyte and a powdered-zinc anode disposed in a gel.

## Higher W-Hr Capacity, <br> Longer Shelf Life Goal of R \& D

Magnesium Cells: Magnesium is theoretically more attractive as an anode material than zinc since it has a considerably higher reversible electrode potential and more than twice the amp-hr capacity per unit of weight. Recent developments in this type of cell involve the coupling of a magnesium anode and an aqueous magnesi-um-bromide or perchlorate electrolyte with such cathode materials as manganese dioxide, cupric oxide, mercuric oxide, and a number of organic compounds. Each of these new dry cells has some desirable characteristics and offers the possibility of replacing conventional dry cells for certain applications. A magnesium flat cell has been developed which uses an aqueous magne-


Fig. 7. Shelf life of magnesium-mangonesedioxide flashlight cells vs Leclanché types.


Fig. 8. Various AA-size dry cells discharged continuously through 16.67 .ohm resistors.
sium-bromide electrolyte. These cells have a sloping voltage-time discharge curve as does the Leclanclié cell, but operate at 0.1 to 0.3 v higher. Magnesium-manganese-dioxide cells have a longer shelf life than Leclanchè dry cells, especially at elevated storage temperatures, as shown in Fig. 7.
Discharge curves for various AA-size dry cells are shown in Figs. 4, 6, and 8.
Organic cathode materials, such as aromatic nitro and C -nitroso compounds, are being applicd to cell structure. Many of these compounds have from five to eight times the theoretical ampmin capacity of manganese dioxide and mercuric oxide, materials now used in commercial cells. The operating voltage characteristics of the mag-nesium-organic cells have, in general, a more constant voltage-time discharge curve than the manganese-dioxide cells as shown in lig. 8. Comparative capacity figures for actual cells are shown in Fig. 9.

Organic-cell development may lead to the use of new materials, many of which are relatively inexpensive and non-strategic, a factor which could eliminate U.S. dependence on foreign ore deposits. Among the technical problems associated with the use of magnesium anodes are cost, delayed action, high impedance, and loss in capacity during light intermittent service. As these problems are solved, magnesium cells will achieve


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Fig. 9. Capacity and watt-hour per unit weight and volume for various systems.


Fig. 10. Basic construction of a zinc-cupric-acid wet cell.
commercial significance in the near future. Air-Dry Cell: Oxygen in the air is used as the cathode component for this type of cell. The first dry-type air cell was produced in this comtry about a decade ago. These cells contain a zine anode, an aqucous sodium-hydroxide electrolyte, and a special porous water-repellent carbon positive electrode. The carbon electrode is sufficiently porous to permit adequate access of air and to occlucle enough oxygen to maintain the intended rates of discharge. The cells are designed to operate at current drains as high as 64) mat about 1.0 .5

Air-dry cells are sealed during assembly to prevent drying out during storage; before use, the seal is broken to allow oxygen into the porous carbon electrode. For short continuous operation, these cells perform satisfactorily: in lones intermittent discharge service, the electrolyte evaporates resulting in a loss of capacity: The utility of this cell would be greatly enhanced by the development of a sealing membrane which would permit oxygen to enter the cell but prevent water vapor from leaving.
Aluminum and Indium Dry Cells: In aluminum counterpart to the Leclanche cell consists of an Alclad aluminum-anode can, an aqueous alumi-num-chloride electrolyte and a manganese-dioxide cathode. Ammonium dichromate is added to the electrolyte to inhibit the corrosion of the aluminum. These cells operate about 0.1 v higher


Fig. 11. Comparison of various 300 -w secondary cell devices.
than the Leclanche with the same sloping volt-age-discharge characteristic, but more development is required to improve their perfonnance.

An indium version of the zinc-mercuric oxide cell, using an indium anode in place of zinc, has also been developed as a very small, hermetically sealed cell to power a wrist watch. This all can be sealed, because the indium anode is more resistant to corrosion than zinc. The cells also libcrate less gas. Another cell announced recently is the zinc-mercuric dioxy sulfade, which has high capacity and a flat discharge curve like the zinc-mercuric-oxide ccll but which can be made in designs similar to the Leclanche cell at a reduced cost.
Solid Electrolyte Cells: Solid electrolyte cells offer potentially long shelf life as compared to cells with liquid electrolytes. In the latter, shelf life is limited by the reaction of the electrodes with the electrolyte and by the evaporation of the eiectrolyte itself. Solid clectrolyte cells are ideal for use in military and other equipment that may be stored for ears in a stand-hy condition: however. they are limited to applications reguiring very low current drains.

## High Power, Long Life <br> Offered by Wet Cells

Ther zinc-(cupric-ovide Latande and the zinc-air all are tuo types of wet cells produced in the C.S. These cells are used where high capacity moxderately large currents at constant woltage and long tife are needed. The Lallande cell eonsists of a rinc amode, a canstic-sonda electrolyte and a cupric-oxide cathode contained in a glass jar. 1 eppical comstruction is shomen in Fig. 10. The cells are uswally shipped dry with the electrolyte added prior to usage: In general, Lalande
 cities, and operate between 0.5 and 0.7 vat current drains as high as 15 amp . The air cell, which is considered as a replacement for the Lalande cell. contains a porons-carbon electrode in place of the cupric oxide. The porous-carbon electrode is designed to absorb oxygen from the air, which in turn is reduced in the comese of cell discharge. The air cells operate at 1.1-1.2 v with a constant voltage-time discharge curve.

## Reserve Cells Fill <br> "One-Shot" Demands

"One-shot" or "delayed-action" reserve batteries are assembled in an inactive state and activated prior to use. Advantages over other conventional primary batteries include: a higher energy output per innit of weight and volume, long shelf life, and hish over-ill reliability.
In general, the important cells can be classified into three qroups, (a) liquid-activated, (b) gas-activated, and (c) heat-activated. The liquid-


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activated, magnesium-silver chloride, magnesi-um-cuprous chloride, and zinc-silver oxide cells are the most important, the others presently in the development stage or used to a limited extent. Liquid-Activated Cells: Magnesium-water activated cells are stored dry in an inactive condition in hermetically sealed containers and are activated by adding water. They have the advantage over other reserve-cell systems in that the electrode need not be transported with the battery. One disadvantage is the slow activation time, requiring several seconds to minutes for complete activation. Magnesium-silver-chloride and magnesium-cuprous-chloride are two types of water-activated cells commercially available. The silver-chloride cells operate at $0.2-0.3 \mathrm{v}$ higher than the cuprous-chloride cells and have higher capacities; the cuprous-chloride cells are cheaper, however. Both of these cell systems have a constant voltage-time discharge curve and the heat generated during cell discharge permits operation at temperatures to -54 C .

A new water-activated reserve-cell system under development uses a magnesium anode and organic N-halogen compounds. The N-halogen compounds operate at $0.6-0.7 \mathrm{v}$ higher than the silver-chloride electrode, approaching the poten-
tial of the chloride electrode. Results indicate that batteries can be made which will give nearly twice the w-hr capacity per unit of weight and volume of the magnesium-cuprous-chloride battery based on certain military tests.
Zinc-Silver Chloride Cells: A zinc-silver chloride battery has been designed to provide a moderatedrain, long-life, water-activated battery system. These batteries are reportedly capable of providing up to two years' life in sea water, since corrosion of the zinc in fresh or sea water is negligible under load throughout the life of the battery. Capacities of 40 w -hr per lb and 3 w -hr cu in . have been reported for these cells.
Zinc-Silver Oxide Cells: Zinc-silver oxide reserve cells are high-rate batteries capable of delivering their rated capacities in one to 10 minutes. High watt-hour capacities per unit of weight and volume plus constant voltage during discharge at high-power output levels are valuable features offered. These batteries are stored dry and one type is automatically activated by applying an electric pulse to a squib which ruptures a diaphragm holding back the potassium-hydroxide electrolyte. Activation times in the order of a few tenths of a second have been attained. In order to achieve operation at low temperatures, electric heaters are added to the assembly.

Other reserve battery systems under development are activated either by forcing a reactive gas into the cell or by heating the cell to melt the electrolyte which is a nonconductive solid at ordinary temperatures but which becomes a conducting fluid at high temperatures.

## Secondary Cells - Energy Reservoirs for Long.Term Applications

Secondary or storage cells are those which can be discharged and then recharged by reversing the current. Secondary cells are usually used as energy reservoirs or energy storage devices in electrical systems rather than as prime power sources. The cells are almost always sold and used in the form of batteries consisting of a number of identical cells connected in series and usually packaged in a single container. The following criteria are used to evaluate a secondary cell:

- Cost.
- Service life, usually given in terms of the duty cycle.
- Energy-storage capacity, expressed as watthours per pound or unit volume.
- Rate at which energy can be withdrawn from the cell-the maximum rate of dis-charge-expressed in watts per pound or unit
volume, or as the time in which all of the available stored energy can be taken out. - Rate at which energy can be stored in the cell-the maximum rate at which the cell can be charged-expressed in watts per pound or unit volume, or as the time in which the cell can be recharged.
- Charge retention; or better, rate of loss of charge-the tendency of a battery to dissipate energy stored in it by internal reac-tions-expressed as the per cent of stored energy lost per unit of time.
- Operating temperature range and the effect of temperature on the other properties.
In some special cases other factors are also important, such as whether the cell can be sealed hermetically and whether it can be operated in any orientation. Of particular interest recently has been the ability of the cell to withstand ac-
celerations experienced in rocket propulsion and ability to operate under zero gravity conditions.
The five types of secondary cells that are commercially available are listed in Table 1 along with some of their important characteristics. Typical performance data are shown in Fig. 11.


## High Performance at Low Cost

Offered by Lead-Acid Cells
There are more batteries of lead-acid cells made than of all other types combined. They are made in a variety of forms and sizes for many different applications. The largest use is in engine starting for autos, boats, and aircraft.
Cells for high-current, short-duration use are made up of a number of thin-plate electrodes placed quite close together, alternately positive and negative, spaced by porous separators, all plates of one polarity being connected in parallel as shown in Fig. 12. The plates are made by applying a paste of active materials to grids cast from a lead-antimony alloy. Such a battery will not last for more than about a hundred deep discharges and recharges because the active material will flake off the positive plates, but it will last through thousands of shallow high-rate dis-

Fig. 12. Cutaway view of a leadacid automobile battery showing internal construction. (Courtesy of Globe-Union Inc.)

Table 1. Key characteristics and applications related to secondary batteries.

|  | Application |  | Disadvantages | Service Life |  |  | ating |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Type |  | Advantages |  | Float or Shallow Discharge | Regular or Deep Discharge | Capacity, light drain (w/hr/lb) | Voliage for light drain (v) |
| Lead-Acid | 1. High current for short time (Engine starting) <br> 2. Electrically powered trucks, mine locomotives, etc <br> 3. Emergency power supplies | 1. Low cost <br> 2. High voltage per cell <br> 3. Good copacity, life and charge retention properties | 1. Cannot be charged at temperatures below 0 F . <br> 2. Cannot be hermetically sealed <br> 3. Cannot remain in discharge state too long without damage | Up to 15 yr | Up to 1,500 cycles | 10-15 | 1.95 to 2.05 |
| NickelCadmium | 1. Fngine starting in low temperature areas <br> 2. Sealed units used in space vehicles | 1. Ruggedness <br> 2. Long life <br> 3. Can operate from 180 F $10-65$ F <br> 4. Can be in various charge or discharge states without harm 5. Can be hermetically sealed | 1. High cost <br> 2. Lower cell voltage than lead-acid | Up to 25 yr | Up to 1,500 cycles | 10-12 | 1.10 to 1.30 |
| Nickel-Iron (Edison cell) | 1. Heavy duty lighting and air conditioning for railway cars, materials handling | 1. Extremely rugged <br> 2. Not damaged by over-charge or over-discharge | 1. High cost <br> 2. Poor charge retention <br> 3. Performance drops af low temperature. | Up to 25 yr | Up to 1,800 cycles | 12.13 | 1.10 to 1.30 |
| Silver-Zinc | 1. Specialized military needs where weight and volume are at a premium | 1. High capacity <br> 2. Excellent performance at high discharge rates | 1. High cost <br> 2. Short cycle life | - | 10-300 cycles | 40-45 | 1.40 to 1.50 |
| SilverCadmium | 1. Low-rate, long life ap. plications | 1. Cycling life and charge retention better than silver-zinc cell | 1. High rate performance not as good as silver-zinc cell | - | 300-1,000 cycles | 25-30 | 1.05 to 1.10 |



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charges provided it is kept at or near full charge Lead-acid batteries designed for use in the power train of electrically propelled trucks, mine locomotives, and materials handling equipment are generally discharged over an 8- to 10 -hour working day, and then recharged overnight. They cost more than starting batteries but they are still relatively inexpensive. These cells are also assembled of plate's, alternately positive and negative, but the plates are thicker and more rugged than those in starting batteries. The positive plates are heavily wrapped in glass fiber to prevent spalling of the active material. Alternatively, each positive plate is made up of a number of pencil-thick cyllinders lying side by side in a plane. The cylinder walls are made of inert materials such as glass fibers and synthetic resins, either porous by nature or slotted so as to allow the electrolyte to penctrate. The tubes are filled with tightly packed active material, with a spine of lead alloy running down the center to carry off the current
Lead-acid batteries used for emergeney power supplies are generally very large, stationary batteries in contrast to the previous types which were smatl enough to be used on mobile equipment. The most important requirements are extremely long life. dependability minimum maintenarice cost, and excellent charge retention. The batteries are always "floated" at a voltame slightly above their open-circuit potential so that they remain fully charged, and under these conditions (assuming that they are not required to discharge frequently) they may last for 2.5 years. The plates are sometimes constructed by pasting active materials on a lead grid and sometimes by forming the active material from the material of the plate itself by repeated charging and discharging. Often these batteries are made יון using grids of pure lead or an alloy of lead with a trace of calcium instead of antimonial lead to improve the charge retention of the battery and the corrosion resistance of the grids

## Nickel Cadmium Cells

Rugged. Long-Lived
Nickel-cadmium cells were formerly made by depositing the active materials in pockets in the plates. Now most electrodes are made by sintering nickel powder to form strong porous plates, then depositing the active materials by soaking these plates in solutions of nickel salts or cadmium salts (depending on whether the electrode is to be positive or negative). Cells made from these sintered plate dectrodes give
much better performance than those made from the pocket type of electrodes.
Nickel-Iron Cells: This cell, called the Edison cell after its inventor, has been in use since the early 1900 s, principally for heavy-duty industrial applications such as materials handling equipment, clectric locomotives, and railway car lighting and air conditioning. The negative ellectrode consists of plates holding the active material in pockets and the positive electrode of perforated nickel tubes filled with a mixture of Hake nickel and nickel oxides.
Silver-Zinc Cells: These cells, available only since World Wial II, have the same over-all reaction as the silver-zinc primary sell. The key to making successful secondary cells from this electrochemical couple was the development of suitable separators to keep the plates apart. Silver-Cadmium Cells: These cells are almost identical to the silver-zince cells exeept for the use of calminm in place of rinc. Capacities are high althongh mot as high as that of the silveraine system. Iligh rate performance is mot nearly so good as that of the silver-rine coll but eycling life abll charge retention are much better - -

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# Fuel Cells- <br> Direct Conversion of Chemical to Electrical Energy 

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THE FUEL CELL is an electrochemical device for converting chemical energy directly to electrical energy. In contrast to a battery, the fuel cell does not normally contain its own fuel supply; instead. fuel is fed to it when power is demanded.
The idea for a fuel cell appears to have been orginated by Sir Humphrey Davy, who published a paper on a zinc-oxygen cell in 1801 and another paper on a coal-oxygen cell in 1802. One may well ask why it has taken so long for fuel cells to become "fashionable." The answer is, in part, that the demand for more efficient energy production has not been too pressing, sources of energy have been abundant and relatively cheap thus far, and-perhaps most important-the sporadic work on fuel cells in the past has been disappointing because of lack of reactivity, breakdown of materials, and expense of the more reactive fuels and cell fabrication.

## More Than \$4 Million from Military

 For Fuel-Cell R\&DAdvances in science and technology since World War II, demands for energy for the most diversified purposes, recognition that fossil fuels may hecome exhausted, and the population explosion have all placed a new perspective on means for energy conservation.

The effect of defense demands on triggering the current feverish activity in this field cannot be overestimated. Even though a large number of U.S. firms, as well as many foreign enterprises, are now funding their own fuel-cell R\&D programs, support from the Department of Defense, particularly the Department of the Army, has
greatly spurred world-wide interest in this field. Thus far, the Army has committed about $\$ 1.750$,000 , the Navy $\$ 1.5$ million, and the Air Force $\$ 1$ million on fuel-cell work

## Fuel Cell's Basic Components <br> Number Only Six

The basic components of a fuel cell are two reacting chemicals (fuel and oxidant), the housing, two electrodes (an anode that receives the fuel and a cathode that receives the oxidant) and an electrolyte that provides a path for the migration of ions. A basic description of the low-temperature hydrogen-oxygen system is shown in Fig. 1, an ion-exchange membrane assembly is shown in Fig. 2, a high-temperature fuel cell in Fig. 3 and a redox system in Fig. 4.
The anode itself may be the fuel, for example, sodium, magnesium, or zinc; in this case, the metal constitutes a consumable electrode. At low temperatures, up to about 500 C , the activities of bare, non-consumable electrodes are generally too low for practical purposes and must be enhanced by adding catalysts to the fuel cell.
The electrolyte may be a liquid, an ion-exchange membrane, a molten salt, or a solid semiconductor at high temperatures. Liquid and membrane electrolytes may be used together. The electrolyte may be unrestrained or it may be in a suitable carrier, e.g., liquid in asbestos or molten salt in a porous matrix of magnesium oxide.
The fuel-oxidant pair may be any suitable substances that can be made to react electrochemically, or they may be used indirectly in the so-called redox cell (Fig. 4) where the fuel re generates one ionic species and the oxidant regenerates the other, each in a separate compartment, so that neither fuel nor oxidant actually enters the cell itself.
In the typical hydrogen-oxygen fuel cell, hydrogen gas gives up an electron to the solid elec-
trode and releases ions to a liquid electrolyte. Obtaining sufficient fuel-electrode-electrolyte area presents a serious challenge. If the electrolyte floods the electrode and prevents gas-to-electrode contact, electrons cannot flow; if excessive gas pressure does not permit ion migration through the electrolyte, the process is not complete and electrical output is not available. Simultaneous three-way contact between gas, electrode, and electrolyte must be maintained during operation.
This brief consideration of the components suffices to indicate the wide variety of possible cells, the breadth and ranges of conditions under which cells can be operated, and the spectrum of materials that may be used for their construction. Which combination of chemical reactants. structural components, and operating conditions is chosen depends on the system in which the cell is to be used

## Types of Fuel Cells <br> And Fuel-Cell Systems

Fuel cells may be divided into two classes, the indirect (redox) cells and those that utilize fuel and oxidant directly. Among the latter the fol lowing types are distinguished

Consumable electrode
Low temperature

- liquid electrolyte
- ion-exchange membrane

High temperature

- molten salt
- solid electrolyte

Depending on the reactants and the circumstances of their use, fuel as well as oxidant may be regenerated. The system then includes not only the direct fuel cell but also a regenerator in which chemical, solar, nuclear, thermal, or electrical energy is used to convert products back to reactants.


Fig. 1. The basic operation of the low-temperature, liquid electrolyte cell is as follows: hydrogen and oxygen are fed into the cell through specially treated porous electrodes separated by an electrolyte, In the alkaline system shown, hydrogen diffuses through the anode and reacts at the electrode surface with the hydroxyl ions in the electrolyte to produce water. Electrons given to the anode electrode during the process flow through an external load to the cathode where they combine with oxygen and water to form hydroxyl ions. The hydroxyl ions travel through the electrolyte to the anode to complete the process
Hydrogen is ow:orbed at the anode, and the adsorbed hydrogen reacts with hydroxyl ions from the electrolyte

$$
2 \mathrm{H}_{\text {ade }}+2 \mathrm{OH}=2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}+2 \mathrm{e}
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freeing electrons that can do useful electrical work. The cathode adsorbs oxygen according to the reaction

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20_{a d x}+\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}+\dot{2} \mathrm{e}=\mathrm{HO}_{2}+\mathrm{OH}
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Peroxide is then decomposed catalytically to oxygen and hydroxyl ions, the latter traveling to the anode. Product water must be removed.



Fig. 2. An ion-exchange membrane can be used instead of or in conjunction with liquid electrolyte. This application was suggested by Dr. W. T. Grubb of the General Electric Research Laboraories. Whereas the liquid alkaline electrolyte as now used in $\mathrm{H}_{2}-\mathrm{O}_{2}$ cells cannot tolerate carbon dioxide, which would react to form carbonate, an acid-ion exchange membrane may make it pos sible to use carbonaceous fuels in low-tempera fure cells. The membrane also aids in avoiding the flooding of porous electrodes by liquid, thus re laining a maximum area of three-phase contac among electrode, gas, and electrolyte.
In the ion-exchange membrane technique, the liquid electrolyte is replaced by a plastic mem brane which permits ion migration. Hydrogen and air, fed to opposite sides of the membrane diffuse through porous electrodes and contact the membrane structure. Electrons are obtained at the hydrogen electrode and routed to the external load. Hydrogen ions penetrate through the membrane and combine with the incoming oxygen and circulating electrons to produce water. The water formed is drained off without the need for special condensation equipment.

Fig. 4. In the redox (reduction-oxidation) cell, the fuel and oxygen do not react directly with each other. Instead, each electrode and its associated electrolyte is separated from the other by a membrane structure which permits passage of ions. Reactions take place between each electrolyte and its regenerant in exterior regenerators. Hydrogen fuel is fed into one eegenerator, where it reduces (adds electrons to) one electrolyte; the electrolyte then passes into the cell, reacts at its electrode to give up electrons, and returns to the exterior regenerator for another cycle. In the other regenerator, air reacts with its electrolyte so as to oxidize frake electrons from) the solution which is then fed into the cell to react at the positive electrode. The cycle is completed by migration of hydrogen ions through the membrane separating both sections


Fig. 3. High-temperature (above 500 C ) fuel cells permit the use of relatively inexpensive fuels such as natural and coal gases or vaporized gasoline. The electrolyte is generally molten carbonate held in a porous magnesia matrix; porous electrodes are firmly held to the electrolyte. The fuel does not necessarily combine directly with oxygen; instead, the fuel is generally "cracked" or broken down into hydrogen and carbon monoxide. These gases then pass through the anode where reaction takes place with carbonate ions in the electrolyte. Electrons are donated to the electrode while carbon dioxide and water are formed. The electrons flow through an external load to the cathode where the incoming oxygen combines with carbon dioxide to produce carbonate ions. These ions, in turn, flow back to the anode to complete the cycle.
In the molten carbonate cell, carbon dioxide must be added with the oxygen because the reaction at the cathode is

$$
1 / 2 \mathrm{O}_{2}+\mathrm{CO}_{2}+2 \mathrm{e}=\mathrm{CO}_{3}
$$

The carbonate ion migrates to the anode where it reacts with carbon monoxide, for example,

$$
\mathrm{CO}+\mathrm{CO}_{3}=2 \mathrm{CO}_{2}+2 \mathrm{e}
$$

Thus, when carbonaceous fuel is used, some of the reaction product can be recycled to the cathode. Since the maximum useful work available from a fuel cell is the free energy,

$$
\Delta F=\Delta H-T \Delta S
$$

where $\Delta H$ is net heat evolved, $T$ is the absolute temperature, and $\Delta S$ is the entropy. Therefore, this high-temperafure cell has a lower theoretical efficiency than cells working at lower temperatures.


Fig. 5. To speed up reaction, the hydrogen-oxygen fuel cell can be operated under high-pressure conditions with waste heat used to maintain operating temperafure. The Bacon cell shown operated at 200 C and 40 atmospheres to produce a current density of 200 amps per sa ft . at 0.8 v . Porous electrodes are made of nickel or nickel plated steel. The electrolyte is pre vented from flooding the electrodes due to pressure differences in the cell.

In some calses, the action of the fuel cell itself may be reversed occasionally for regeneration of fucl. Thus, a hịdrocarbon fuel cell could drive a wehicle: on a downgrade or while decelerating, the cell might be powered by the movement of the whicle, water would be electrolyzed, and hydrogen and oxygen stored for subsequent use.
Orbiting space vehicles may use regenerative fuel-cell systems as secondary power sources Solar energy, converted to electrical energy via solar cells, for example, could regenerate the reactants for use in a fuel cell during periods when the wehicle is not exposed to the sun.

As another example, a zinc-air fuel cell could replace an inclustrial battery in a warehouse truck. During use, zinc dissolves from the electrode into the electrolyte; during off hours, the zinc is plated back on the electrode by electrical recharging from the network.

The redox cell (Fig. 4) is, of course, constantly being regenerated. It must therefore be regenerable with cheap fuels, and this has been one of the weak spots in its development thus far. Impurities, primarily hydrogen sulfide, from the regenerating fuel have been carried into the cell and caused elecas-le poisoning. Also, recovery of the most promisıng oxidant, bromine, appears to require costly and cumbersome equipment. At


Fig. 6. A dramatic example of a fuel-cell application is Allis-Chalmers Research Div.'s tractor demonstration. A total of 1,008 fuel cells, 112 units of nine cells each are arranged in four banks which can be connected in various series-parallel groups. A mixture of gases is fed through a tubing system under pressure and produces 15 -kw output during reaction in an elecirolyte. Sufficient output is obrained to drive the 5,270 - lb tractor and provide $3,000 \mathrm{lb}$ drawbar pull.
present, this appears to be the least promising type of fucl cell.

## Current Status

## Of Fuel-Cell Developmen

Although fuel-cell powered equipment has been demonstrated-the "Silent Selitry:" a tractor (Fig. 6), a small car-fuel cells have not yet reached the commercial production stage. The primary reasons for this are lack of sufficient scientific and engineering knowledge.
The most advanced systems at present are those in which relatively expensive hydrogen is the fued and onygen is the ovidant. it fuel cell with platinum electrodes, consuming hydrogen and oxygen at room temperature, was demonstrated in England in 18:39. Low-temperature cells with porous carbon or nickel electrodes, catalyzed by small amounts of platinum, palladium, or silver (the last for the oxygen electrode only) have recently been operated with aqueous alkali (Fig. 1) or with ion-exchange membranes as electrolytes. At ambient pressure and temperature, current densities have been relatively low, mostly $5-25 \mathrm{amp}$ per sq ft of electrode surface, polarization losse's are considerable, and the voltage developed at the oxygen electrode has usually been below that calculated theoretically. Cell


Fig. 7. (a) Up to 600 -w output is available trom this $6 \times 6 \times 17 \mathrm{in}$. flat-plate, multicell hydrogen-oxygen fuel cell constructed by Union Carbide. The basic construction of the cell is shown in (b).

performance often deteriorates with time, and "drowning" of clectrodes by filling of pores with liquid electrolyte has been a proble.m. When an ion-exchange membrane is used as eleetrolyte physical deterioration has been observed
Some of these problems appear to have been solved: Justi and coworkers in Germany have developed a "double skeleton catalyst" nickel elecetrode structure that should overcome the drowning problem as well as maximizing triple contacts among electrode, electrolyte, and reactant for ob taining high current densities-as much as 7()) amp per saft for the hydrogen electrocle at 85 C and $4(0)$ anp per sy ft for the oxygen electrode at 0.75 v . The U'nion Carbide Co. use's specially processed carbon electrodes at up to about 150 F 10) atmospheres, and $25250 \mathrm{amp} p \mathrm{~m} \mathrm{sf}_{\mathrm{f}} \mathrm{ft}$.

General Electric Co. and Ionics, Inc., are developing improved ion-exchange cells (see Fig. 2), in which thinner membranes show lower electrical resistance and hence should lead to lower internal losses through heating of the cells, making possible higher current densitiess than those obtained thus far

A full description of the Marshall Flying School. Ltd., high-pressure cell, (Fig. 5) partly financed by National Research Development Corp. (England), was given by its developer, F. T.

Bacon, at a meeting of the American Chemical Society in 1959. Porous nickel electrodes and $37-50$ per cent potassium hydroxide electrolyte at 200 C and 40 atmospheres yield a current density of 200 amp per sq ft at 0.8 v or 500 amp per sq ft at 0.6 v per cell for more than 1.000 hours of operation. Higher current densities appear possible, thongh probably at the expense of shorter cell life. Stainless steel, nickel, and compressed asthestos are the materials of construction. Fuels other than hydrogen did not work, and the use of air instead of oxygen increased the polarization losses. These limitations as well as the conditions of operation prevent the economical use of small-scale units. As regards we ght, Bacon estimated $50 \mathrm{lh} / \mathrm{kw}$ for a 44 -kw unit (heavier for smaller units) and showed that, though competitive on a weight basis with batteries, such fuel-cell units could not compete with diesel engines which use air as the oxidant Bacon predicted, however, that large units should eventually le useful for road and rail traction and for augmenting electric power during peakload periods, for which purpose water comild be electrolyzed and stored during off-peak hours.

## Cheap Fuels Can Operate

 High-Temperature Fuel CellsFor operation at temperatures from about 300 to 900 C , see Fig. 3, molten alkali carbonates in a porous magnesia matrix have gemerally been used as electrolyte. In at least one case, however, this electrolyte is not immobilized in a porous matrix. Flectrodes may be porous, sintered, semiconducting ovides or siluer gatuze for the cathode (air electrode) and porous or powdered nickel. silver, or iron for the anode. Claty and metal chromites have bern used in Russia for electrodes. Operating pressure has been atmospheric.

The principal developers of this kind of cell are" researchers at the University of Amsterdam, Comsilidation Coal Company near Pittsburgh, Sondes Place Research Institute in England, and two groups of Russian scientists. This system has thus far been limited to much lower current densities, up to 100 amp per sq ft , and has been more trouble some than the liquid electrolyte cell due to the more severe operating conditions. Despitc its current drawbacks it is of interest becanse, being operable at higher temperatures, it can use less reactive fuels (such as propane and carbon monovide) and is less susceptible to poisoning of electrole's by impurities from the fuel A high-temperature cell might therefore be opcrated on gas from a coal gasifier, as envisaged by Gorin and coworkers of Consolidation Coal Co., and thus come as close as possible to realizing the old dream of converting coal directly to electricity

At still higher temperatures, fuel cells have


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Fig. 8. Producing 200 w at $24-\mathrm{v}$ output, the $30-\mathrm{lb}$ fuel-cell power pack can take the place of a $55-\mathrm{lb}$ engine-generator or 80 lb of secondary batteries. Built by GE for the Marine Corps and the Army Signal Corps, the unit contains 30 ionmembrane fuel cells consuming oxygen from the air and hydrogen produced by decomposition of metal hydride. The metal hydride is contained in reusable, hermetically sealed canisters (at top of unit); o canister weighs 6 lb and provides 14 hrs operation.


Fig. 9. Experimental model of a lightweight regenerative fuel cell under development by Electro-Optical Systems, Inc
been operated with semiconducting oxides as electrolyte, but little is known about their performance chracteristics.

A number of other fuel-cell systems will be mentioned briefly because they appear to have more limited applicability. Regenerative systems, primarily for space use, may utilize alkali (especially lithium) hydride, the ferrous-ferric ion couple, a sulfuric-acid concentration cell, sulfur trioxide and dioxide, cadmium iodide, silver io dide, proflavine-ascorbic acid, thionine-iron, nitrosyl chloride/nitric oxide plus chlorine. Among consumable-electrode systems are magnesium (to be oxidized by nitro- or dinitrobenzene); sodium amalgam and other amalgams, as well as pure aluminum, magnesium, or zinc to be oxidized by air, oxygen, hydrogen peroxide, or halogens. In addition, potential fuels such as ammonia and hydrazine have given promising results. All of these systems have been or are being worked on, and many more have been or could be proposed. Although some may ultimately find application for special purposes in military and space systems or as secondary power sources it appears too early to predict their usefulness now.

## Top Firms Team Up

## To Advance Fuel-Cell An

During the past year, a phenomenal change has occurred in the fuel-cell field. A large number
of organizations have suddenly taken an active interest in fuel cells and, almost without exception, this interest has centered on hydrocarbon as ultimate fuel source and air as oxidant. Many of the organizations that started in this field earlier have been working on hydrocarbons and oxygenated organic compounds and are continuing their research. But the added impetus of these new groups is bound to accelerate the development of petroleum- and natural-gas-based fuel cells.

A notable fact is the teaming up of companies with non-competitive interests in fuel cells, e.g., Allis-Chalmers with Esso Research and Engineering Co., Standard Oil of Indiana with McGrawEdison, and some 25 companies sponsoring a joint project at Battelle Memorial Institute.
Another point worth mentioning is that some organizations are looking upon fuel cells as chemical reactors, i.e., devices of potential use for making chemical products, with electricity thrown in as a welcome by-product that could lower the cost of manufacture (in some cases considerably).
The great spurt of interest in hydrocarbon fuel cells makes it appear likely that workable systems, based on products from or fractions of petroleum and natural gas, are not too far from realization. Considering that high-octane gasoline is now being made from crude petroleum at a
reasonably low cost, "tailor-made" fuel-cell fuels from petroleum and methane should be reasonably priced if they are found to be most suitable for fuel-cell consumption.
Hydrocarbon-based fuel cells, particularly those with air cathodes, appear to hold the greatest promise for industrial and domestic, stationary and mobile applications. Although the basic fuel-cell systems for these reactants are already available-the low- and high-temperature cells described-the future fuel cell, operating on organic compounds and air, will differ from the present types about as much as a jet plane differs from that of the Wright brothers.

A considerable amount of research and development is needed before a practical, longlived, dependable fuel cell of this kind can be realized. For example, more active air electrodes and methorls for increasing the flow of orygen to the electrodes must be found. Homogencous and heterogeneous catalysis may fulfill these needs as well as that for more active and poison-resistant fuel electrodes. The British Shell laboratories have announced development of better electrodes, but no details have been divulged as yet.

Electrolytes with more desirable properties must be found, particularly materials having higher electrical conductivity and low-temperature liquids that are not affected by carbon dioxide. Membranes, if used, must be durable and
permit higher current densities. Refractory electrolyte matrices must be more resistant to thermal shock. Fuel-cell packs or batteries must be leak-proof and engineered for minimum weight and volume, if this is a critical consideration, or for maximum efficiency in stationary uses, or for necessary short-time overloads.

## More Basic Research Required

To Speed Device Design
Basic research, much of it supported by armed forces contracts and grants, in electrochemistry, catalysis, and other facets of science is being carried out at many universities, research institutions, and company laboratories. Scientists at the Army's Signal Corps, Ordnance, and Engineers laboratories as well as at the Naval Research Laboratory are also working on some of these problems. Nevertheless, a great deal more basic research will be needed to obtain sufficient insight into the chemistry of fuel-cell reactions for a rational development and engineering effort. The latter will undoubtedly require adapting newly developed materials and processing methods for the creation of optimum fuel-cell packs for each application.

Even for electo-metallurgical purposes, in which fuel-cell outputs might be used without modification, new control equipment will probably have to be developed for regulating the low-voltage, high-amperage dc. Novel electrical equipment will be all the more necessary for such applications as vehicles and power stations. Developments in de motors, regulators, and "transformers" (to higher voltages and/or ac) will undoultedly be stimulated by the prospect of practical fuel cells. Thus, a minor revolution in dc electrical engineering is a likely by-product of the realization of a 160 -year old dream. - -

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## Silicon Solar Cells-Tapping Power from the Sun

On a sunny day in Arizona, it is estimuted that 1,000 w of energy fall on each square meter of the earth's surface. With the present 10 to 14 per-cent efficiency available from silicon solar cells, more than 100 u' per square meter could be harnessed for power "pplications. Cost is still high per cell but research efforts promise a significant reduction within several years.

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DIRECT CONVERSION of solar energy into electrical energy is presently best achieved by use of silicon solar-energy converters, or solar cells, developed by the Bell Telephone Laboratories in 1954. Advancements in technology and production techniques by licensed manufacturers have resulted in the high-efficiency solar cells powering electronic eguipment on most of the American satellites.

To understand fully the advantages of solar converters requires an appreciation of what goes into making them. Very thin wafers $(0.020 \mathrm{in}$.) are sliced from an arsenic-doped silicon ingot which provides a blank of n-type silicon. The wafer is exposed to a highly controlled, hightemperature $(1,200 \mathrm{C})$ boron atmosphere and a diffusion action takes place wherein an extremely
thin layer of boron atoms ( 0.0001 in .) is formed on the surface of the silicon wafer resulting in a p-type silicon, see Fig. 1. This operation creates a built-in electric field within the wafer in the form of a p-n junction and this field supplies the force which will result in the conversion of light energy into electrical energy. One surface of the wafer is treated so that the boron layer is removed and the n-type silicon material is exposed. Nickel plated contacts are deposited on the wafer in order to make electrical connection; and finally, a solder coating is applied to the nickel surfaces to allow for ease of soldering. Among the current commercial manufacturers of solar cells are International Rectifier Corp., Hoffman Electronics Corp., Texas Instruments, and Solar Systems. Inc. Other companies contemplate commercial production in the near future

In the fabrication of the solar cell, only atomically pure materials are used. The basic ingredient is silicon which is one of the most abundant materials found on the surface of the earth

In no case is anything added which has a finite lifetime; as a result, theoretically, the silicon solar cell should have limitless operation in regards to time.

Light energy consists of discrete bundles of energy or photons. The photon has an amount of energy inversely proportional to its wave length, and in order for a photon to cause an effect within the solar cell, it must have sufficient energ! to create a hole-electron pair. When light eners! strikes the active surface of the solar cells, thuse photons with sufficient energy impart this energy within the solar cell in the creation of a hole electron pair. Those pairs in the region of the $\mathrm{p}-\mathrm{n}$ junction are acted upon by the built-in furce; holes are forced into the p-region and electrons into the n-region. An mbalance of the charge carriers within the silicon thus results with a consequent potential voltage developed across the solar cell. If a load is cronnected between the positive and negative contacts of the cell. a current will flow due to the potential vultage that


Fig. 1. Cross-sectional view of an arsenic-doped silicon slab (n-type) with a diffused boron layer (p-type) deposited on its surface.


Fig. 2. Spectral response characteristic of silicon and selenium solar cells.


Fig. 3. Short-circuit current, Isc, varies almost linearly with illumination while open-circuit voltage, $V_{u c}$ flattens out and soon reaches a steady value.

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Fig. 4. An optimum load resistance value is indicated in the graph shown; illumination is 5,000 fr-c.


Fig. 6. Variation of silicon solar cell maximum power output with temperature.
exists due to the incident photons. Thus, light energy is directly converted into de electrical energy.
The solar cell is in reality a silicon photovoltaic energy converter. The fact that it favors photon energy in the range of the solar spectral energy distribution (Fig. 2) led to the application of the word "solar" and in the interests of brevity, "solar cell."

The ability of a solar cell to convert light energy is expressed in terms of "conversion efficiency," This represents true efficiency since it indicate's the power output per active area of a solar cell divided by the power input per unit area; the power output is measured at the point of maximum power transfer since this represents the point of optimum design. The solar cell is capable of delivering a maximum current (short (ircuit current), or a maximum voltage (open circuit voltage), or any combination of current and voltage less than the maximums indicated, see lig. 3. This characteristic must certainly be considered as an advantage since no other converter evhibits such versatility in regard to the applicable load conditions. In the case of space applications, the requirement is for maximum power output per unit area and the load impedance is designed to be that coincidental with the maximum power transfer point of the solar cell, see Figs. 4 and 5.

In the measurement of conversion efficiency, correlation between laboratory-light standards and the solar-energy spectrum has been attempted. On a cloudless summer day at about noon, it was determined that the sun delivered approximately 100 mw per $\mathrm{s}(\mathrm{cm}$ of solar energy at normal incidence to the surface of the earth. This quantity was considered to be "one sun." In the laboratory, a tungsten-type lamp was util ized operating at a color temperature of approximately $2,800 \mathrm{~K}$. It was determined that the sun and the tungsten source could be made equiva-
lent. This theory has been considerably altered during the past six months since additional characteristics of the solar spectrum have been determined. This necessitates somewhat of a change in original correlation data.

## Conversion Efficiency Has Tripled Within a Five-Year Period

At the inception of the solar cell, conversion efficiencies in the order of 4 to 6 per cent were achieved. Detailed studies of the solar cell's characteristics and manufacturing techniques have resulted in currently asailable solar cells having conversion efficiencies up to 14 per cent. This advancement certainly is outstanding when compared to achievements made in the field of other t!pes of solar energy converters. Notable contributions to the increase in conversion efficiency are "gridding" techniques now employed by the major manufacturers of solar cells. This procedure allows for minutely thin contact strips which emanate from the positive contact of the cell and effectively increase the collection efficiency of the cell by providing "pick-up" areas over a greater amount of the solar cell's active surface. Thus eefficiency retarders such as recombination time effects and series resistance are reduced.
With the development of the gridded-type cell came a greater understanding of the solar energy spectrum as it existed in outer space. It was determined that the greater amount of solar energy in space was due primarily to enntributions of energy having wavelengths lower than those favorable to the silicon solar cell. At the same time, a change in spectral response of the solar cell was noted in that the high wavelength portion of the response was shifted even farther towards the high wavelengths. Thus, although the laboratory measurements using a tungsten source indicated high efficiency solar cells, measurement in an actual solar environment indicated

Fig. 5. Typical current-valtage characteristics of a silicon solar cell at various illumination levels.



Fig. 8. A total of 1,184 cells, 3602 by 0.5 cm and $8241 \times 2 \mathrm{~cm}$, surround the telemetry transmitter in a cosmic ray detector probe. Glass slides 0.006 in. thick cover the cells to prevent possible radiation damage. The solar cells are used to recharge nickel cadmium batteries supplying 1.25 w to electronic instrumentation contained in the equipment.

Fig. 7. Wires connecting one of the four solar cell paddles to the interior of Pioneer $V$ ore checked before launching. Each paddle carries 600 Hoffman Elec ironic Corp. solar cells on each side, White stripes between cells are painted on the assembly to maintain proper temperature.


Fig. 9. A small motor is powered by $20-s q \mathrm{~cm}$ cadmium-sulphide single crystal solar cells made by the Harshaw Chemical Co., Cleveland, Ohio. The efficiency of single crystal cadmium sulphide cells vary from 5 to 6 per cent.


Fig. 10. Tiros 1 , the first U. S. weather satellite, is equipped with more than 9,000 solar cells supplied by International Rectifier Corp. (Photo courtesy RCA)
a somewhat lower gain. In order to resolve thes differences, many companies (including Lockheed, GE and Bausch and Lomb) are presently. working towards development of "sunlight simulators," also known as sunshine chambers. These programs have been endorsed by various military agencies who realize the necessity for accurate correlation between laboratory and space measurements. The techniques employed in making a simulator involve utilization of lamps having particular spectral energy contributions. The overali output from such a lamp assembly has to accurately simulate the spectral energy response of sunlight.

## Currently Available Cells

## Can Provide 50 W per Lb.

Solar cells are generally mounted on a substrate which is made from extremely light metal. The geometry of such a substrate is predicated by the type of satellite involved, the propulsion system employed, orbital conditions in which the satellite will operate and over-all power requirements of the satellite. Naturally, the strength of such an assembly is dependent primarily on the metal substrate and the adhesive used to fasten the cells to the substrate. Spectrolab, Inc., Elec-tro-Optical Systems, Inc., Boeing and Lockheed are some of the companies involved in systems study and development.


Fig. 11. The 10,640 solar cells mounted atop a 1912 Baker Electric, together with intermediate storage batteries, power International Rectifier Corp.'s solar-pow. ered auto.

The advantage of lightness is a most important one when space power applications are involved. Power-weight ratios of 10.5 to 110 mw gm or 50 w th are possible from 12 per cent efficient solar cells. To fully utilize this adsantage, supporting structures hase been desisned which have high streneth-to-weight ratios and low weight-to-area ratios. Some support substrates are made from honeycomb structures of aluminum and polyester impregnated fibreglass.

The power output from the solar cell decreases with increasing temperature, see Fig. 6. Conserfuently, design considerations encompass methods of maintaining low-temperature operation in space. That portion of the solar spectrum which is outside of the solar-cell spectral response can create a temperature increase in the solar-cell assembly. Bandpass filters have been developed in the form of interference film filters which are vacuum deposited onto glass cover slides, which are in turn cemented to the top surface of the solar cell. An ultra-vislet reflecting filter serves to prevent ultra-violet degradation of the transparent adhesives while the infrared reflecting filter minimizes the heating effects of the IR energy. Although the application of such filters increases the weight of a solar-cell array, considerable improvement in power output is achieved by controlling the temperature of the device in space. Companies involved in these ef-
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Studies of new materials are being made in order to develop a solar cell having the ability to use a greater percentage of the solar spectrum. Gallium-arsenide cells have been made in lahoratory quantities with most promising results. However, the cost of the raw material coupled


Fig. 12. Hoffman's transisior radio uses solar cells plus rechargeable battery for long period operation.
with the low production yields achieved with these cells present a formidable cost problem. The coming year should see a resolution of the problem of the feasibility of using gallium arsenide for solar cells.
More and more is being learned about the "space" around us, with each successful satellite launching. The discovery of high-energy radiation fields around the earth has prompted investigation of radiation effects on silicon solar cells. From these studies has evolved the " n on p " silicon solar cell, a device in which n-type material is diffused into p-type silicon. Although in the extremely early states of study, these " $\mathrm{n}+/ \mathrm{p}$ "
cells hold great promise of providing more consistent high-efficiency silicon solar cells which will have greater resistance to radiation damage.

Coupled with the above investigations is the study of large-area solar cells to achieve maximum reliability in a satellite system; vapor deposition of single-crystal silicon in order to minimize material cost and also allow for large area devices, and general improvements in production techniques so as to provide a maximum of consistent results. These studies, currently under way, will undoubtedly result in further improvements of silicon solar cells for use in future space power applications. - "

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The maximum saturation voltage of the 2N743 is essentially constant at 1 v from -55 to +170 C ; $V_{C E}$ of the 2 N 706 at 100 ma varies from 2.2 v at


Fig. 1. Comparison of rise, fall, storage and delay times of the epitaxial 2 N743 switch vs the conventional-structure 2 N706.


Fig. 2. The improved switching characteristics offered by the epitaxial 2 N 743 are dramatically demonstrated in their comparison with those of the 2N706.


Fig. 3. A $10-\mathrm{mc}$ counting flip-flop, requiring a 3-v trigger, designed to operate from -55 to +125 C .

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Fig. 6. (a) The small signal, $60 . \mathrm{mc}$ amplifier shown is operated common-emitter at the signal frequency and common-base for biasing. The response curve is shown in (b).

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Fig. 5. A direct-coupled flip-flop using TRL with a single power supply.


Fig. 7. Schematic of a $70-\mathrm{mc}$ class-C amplifier, with $6 \cdot \mathrm{db}$ power gain, capable of $0.5-\mathrm{w}$ output.
flop for $10-\mathrm{mc}$ operation over a -55 to +125 C range is shown in Fig. 3; improved wave shapes and operation to 150 C could be achieved by adding an emitter-follower to the output.
A NOR gate, designed for medium-speed applications up to 100 C , is shown in Fig. 4. The low storage time of the epitaxial device eliminates the need for a turn-off base bias supply. The circuit operates at $10-\mathrm{ma}$ collector current, the region of maximum gain and high switching speed. Two NOR circuits can be combined to form a direct coupled flip-flop as shown in Fig. 5.
The low collector-base capacitance and high $f_{t}$ of the epitaxial transistor may be used to advantage in vhf amplifiers. A small signal, $60-\mathrm{mc}$ amplifier is shown in Fig. 6a; the 82 -ohm resistors approximate the input resistance of the transistor. The frequency response curve, Fig. 6b, illustrates the $17-\mathrm{db}$ gain for an unneutralized stage suitable for communication and pulse applications. Another amplifier, designed to deliver 0.5 w at 70 mc is shown in Fig. 7, featuring high efficiency and gain from a $12-\mathrm{v}$ supply.

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Model 90-156-0 solid-state inverter weighs 3.7 lb and occupies less than 65 cll in . of space. It operates on an input of nominal 28 vdc with an output of $115 \mathrm{v}, 400 \mathrm{cps}$, sine wave, single phase, 100 va . Output frequency is factory adjusted to $400 \mathrm{cps} \pm 0.5 \%$; stability is $\pm 0.25 \%$ from -60 to +71 C. Distortion of the sine-wave output is less than $4 \%$ under all operating conditions.

Magnetic Research Corp., Dept. ED, 3160 W. El Segundo Blvd., Hawthorne, Calif.

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Litton Industries, Electron Tube Div., Dept. ED, 960 Industrial Road, San Carlos, Calif.

## High-Voltage Converters



This line of dc-to-dc converters has regulated voltage outputs that range from 700 to $1,500 \mathrm{v}$ and the rated current output is $20 \mu \mathrm{a}$. Each unit is hermetically sealed. Size is $2-3 / 8-\mathrm{in}$. high x 1-1/2-in. sq. They are available with plug-in base or solder connections.

Fairport Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 270 Midway Lane, Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Millimicroammeter


Model 1811AR millirnicroammeter is a rackmounted unit for measuring low-level currents from less than $0.001 \mu$ a to 3 ma . The instrument

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Accurate to 2 sec


Designed to simulate the output of a master synchro, models SS-1, 2 , and 3 have a ratio accuracy of 10 ppm , equal to 2 sec of arc. Quadrant switching is provided to simulate operation over 360 deg . Similar units can be supplied as resolver standards.

Gertsch Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 3211 S. La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles 16, Calif.
Price: $\$ 675$ up.
Availability: 30 to 45 days.


Typically used for spot cooling, this miniature dc blower moves 10 cfm against 0.3 in . of water static pressure. The tube-axial device is 1-1/8-in in diameter by $3-1 / 4-\mathrm{in}$. long, and operates on 27 v dc. Weight is 3.5 oz .

Globe Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, 1784 Stanley Ave., Dayton 4, Ohio.

## Computer Building 715

 BlockHolds 6 pairs of plug-ins


This computer building block is designed to accornmodate six pairs of the firm's operational plug-in

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This hermetically sealed relay-no bigger than a postage stampis a precise component of unusual flexibility, capable of long.life operation under a wide variety of contact loads.

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## SPECIFICATIONS:



## Differential DC Voltmeter

## Accuracy is $0.05 \%$

The model 801 H differential dc voltmeter has an accuracy of $0.05 \%$ from 0.1 to 500 v . Input resistance at null is infinite over the entire range. Voltage ranges are $0.5,5,50$, and 500 v dc ; an automatic lighted decimal is provided. The meter is available for rack or cabinet mounting.

John Fluke Manufacturing Co., Inc., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 7161, Seattle 33, Wash.

Delay Lines
Have low attenuation


This series of lumped constant delay lines consists of m -derived LC networks. Each section is designed to give linear phase shift beyond $70 \%$ of the cut-off frequency. Attenuation is less than 1 db per $\mu \mathrm{sec}$ of delay. Specifications for model DL-2.265 are: impedance, 500 ohms $\pm 5 \%$; delay time, $1 \mu \mathrm{sec} \pm 5 \%$; rise time 0.08 $\mu \mathrm{sec}$; attenuation, 1 db max.

Dresser Electronics, HST Div., Dept. ED, 555 N. 5th St., Garland, Tex.
Price: $\$ 75$ ca.

## Optical Comparator

## For visual inspection

Designed as a portable unit, the Micro Vu 300 provides 20 -power magnification for inspection of components ranging in size from microminiature to 3 in . It needs less than 3 sq ft of bench space and weighs 20 lb . It has a $2-1 / 2 \mathrm{x}$ 9 in . measuring stage with $3 \times 3 \mathrm{in}$. vertical and horizontal travel. Standard dial indicators are used.

Micro Vu, Dept. ED, North Hollywood, Calif.
Price: $\$ 350$.

## Airborne DC Amplifier



Small, solid state, direct-coupled DC amplifier weighs only six ounces. Less than five cubic inches in volume, this rugged, hermetically sealed instrument is available with solder, plug-in, coax or combination header arrangements and a variety of mountings. DC gain is 200 to 1000 $\pm 0.75 \%$. Input capability is 5 millivolts differential at maximum gain; output capability is $\pm 5$ volts into not less than 20 K (single-ended).

Microdot Inc., 220 Pasadena Avenue, South Pasadena, California.

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## Weldable Strain Gage



Precise, rugged gage is capable of continuous operation at $800^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ and dynamic test to $1500^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. These gages employ one-piece etched wire filaments in swaged stainless steel tubes, and are suitable for use from cryogenic to elevated temperatures. They are also available with inherent temperature compensation (no dummy gages required). Easy installation through the use of stored-energy welding equipment eliminates complicated bonding and curing processes. Also available in integral lead strain gage versions.
Microdot Inc., 220 Pasadena Avenue, South Pasadena, California.

## MICROMINIATURE MULTI-PIN CONNECTORS

> Visualize 61 contacts in the diameter of a dime... think of slashing connector weight requirements by $33 \%$... estimate the dollar savings in time and inventory of a connector with complete interchangeability of parts. This unique combination of advantages - and more - are built-in features of Microdot's new multi-pins.

In airborne and ground support applications where size, weight and reliability are vital factors, Microdot's unique new multi-pin connector stands alone. Available in three shell sizes and a variety of mounting versions, these rugged connectors are adaptable to a wide range of specific applications (you specify from a wide variety of standard, interchangeable multi-pin component parts to arrive at a connector tailored to your specific application).
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| $\begin{gathered} \text { size } \\ \text { Desigation } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Plus 0.8. | No. OF coavial contacts | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MO. OF } \\ & \text { POWER } \\ & \text { COMTACTS } \end{aligned}$ |
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| A | $\%^{\prime \prime}$ | up to 7 | up to 19 |
| B | 1760" | up to 12 | up to 37 |
| C | 16" | up to 19 | up to 61 |

## Microdot Muiti-Pins are available in

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## DAYSTROM PATENTED PRECISION ROTARY T

## EXAMPLE: ZERO BACKLASH



The Daystrom 341 Series rotary potentiometers contain this patented "V guide which eliminates backlash and resultant error. U'.S. Patent 2,856,493

EXAMPLE: DOUBLE WIPEIRS, FINER RESOLUTION, ANI) ABSOLUTE CONTINUITY IN SUBMINIA'TURE SERIES 341 TEN.TURNS


The use of patented double wipers in our 341 Series Potentiometer effectively doubles the resolution...intermittents that normally result from shock and vibration are virtually eliminated.

Coupled with its subminiature size, this stability to environmental stress makes the 341 Series ideal for avionics systems, where it has found many applications (the TITAN missile is an example).

The Series 341 potentiometers are offered in resistance ranges from 1 K to 600 K , can carry 2.5 watts in still air at $40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, and operate from -55 to $140^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. They are only ${ }^{\prime \prime \prime}$ ' in diameter and $1^{\prime \prime}$ long, and meet all applicable MIL specs. The 341 can also be supplied with a patented clutch for servo installation.

EXAMPLE: SPECIAL ADJUSTING DEVICE IN GANGABLE SERIES 319

For the first time in gangable potentiometers, you can make individual pot adjustments after ganging without disassembly Daystrom 319's are uniquely constructed so each can be adjuster separatels in 15 or 20 seconds without affecting others. Patent. are pending on the special Daystrom-engineered method by which these adjustments are
made. Because of the simplicity of adjustment after ganging, you can order these potentiometers already ganged at Daystrom in the number needed, then make your final adjustments in seconds. Resistance Range: 100! to 200 K : Power: 2 watts in still air: Temperat ure: -55 to $150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Meets all applicable MIL specs.

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| sQuaretrim ${ }^{-}$ SERIES NUMBERS <br> RESISTANCE <br> POWER SIZE <br> OPERATING TEMP. RESOLUTION | 300-00, 300-60, 300-61, 300.64, 300.66, 300-67 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Standard Resistance Tolerance | =5\% (special tol. on request) | =5\% (special tol on request) | =5\% (special tol on request) | = $20 \%$ | *5\% (special tol. on request) | $=5 \%$ (special tol on request) | 5\% 15 |
| Temp. Coeff. of Resistance Wire | 20 ppmm m ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ max $0^{-}$to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $20 \mathrm{ppmm}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ max. $\mathrm{O}^{\prime} 10100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $20 \mathrm{ppm} \mathrm{m} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ max $0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $0.2 \% /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}, 0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $20 \mathrm{ppmmm}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ max 0 - to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $20 \mathrm{ppmm} /{ }^{\prime} \mathrm{C}$ max. $0^{-1}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 20 ppm m C |
| Temp. Coeff. of Potentiometer | $50 \mathrm{ppm} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ max. $0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 50 ppm C max $0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 50 ppm C max. $0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $50 \mathrm{ppm} / \mathrm{C}$ max. $0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 50 ppm ' C max $0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 50 ppm - C max. $0^{+}$to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 50 ppm C |
| Stability as Voltage Divider | $02 \%$ or 1 resolution max. | $0.2 \%$ or 1 resolution max | 0.2\% or 1 resolution max. | Better than 0 $07 \%,-551085^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $0.2 \%$ or 1 resolution max | $0.2 \%$ or 1 resolution max | $02 \%$ or 1 r |
| Load Life at Rating | $\begin{aligned} & 1000 \text { hrs. min } \\ & \text { ML-R-R } 19 \mathrm{~A} \text { (in still air) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1000 \mathrm{hrs} \text { min } \\ & \text { MIL-R- } 19 \mathrm{~A} \text { (in still arr) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1000 \text { hrs. min } \\ & \text { MIL- }-19 \mathrm{~A} \text { (in still air) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1000 \mathrm{hrs} \text { min mill air) } \\ & \text { MIL- } \mathrm{R}-94 \text { (in stil } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1000 \text { his. min } \\ & \text { M1-PR- } 19 \mathrm{~A} \text { (in still ari) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1000 \mathrm{hrs} \text { min } \\ & \text { M1- }-\mathrm{R} \text { - } 9 \mathrm{~A} \text { (in still air) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1000 \mathrm{hrs} \text { min } \\ & \text { MIL-R-19A (1n } \end{aligned}$ |
| Insulation Resistance | 50 megohms min. (500V. DC) | 50 megohms min (500v. OC) | 50 megohms min (500V. DC) | 50 megohms min. (500V OC) | 50 megohms min. (500V DC) | 50 megohms min. (500V DC) | 50 megohms |
| Dielectric strength | 500 V AC, 1 min. | 500 V AC, 1 min. | 500 V AC. 1 min | 500v. AC. 1 min. | 500v. AC. 1 min. | 500v. AC. 1 min. | soov. AC. |
| Usastie Resistance Range | 98\% | $98^{\circ} \mathrm{O}$ | 98\% | 98\% | 98\% | 98\% | $98 \%$ |
| Equiv. Noise Resistance | $0.1 \%$ or 100 ohms. NA 5-710 | $0.1 \%$ or 100 ohms NA 5-710 | 0.1\% or 100 ohms. NA 5.710 |  | 0.1\% or 100 ohms. NA 5-710 | 0.1\% or 100 ohms NA 5-710 | $0.1 \%$ or 10 |
| Adjustment Ratio | 45:1 | 45.1 | 45:1 | 45.1 | 45:1 | 45:1 | 451 |
| Screw Turns | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| notational Lite | 10,000 screw rev. min. | 10,000 screw rev. min. | 10.000 screw rev. min. | 10,000 screw rev. min. | 10,000 screw rev. min. | 10.000 screw rev. min. | 10,000 s |
| Torgue | 7.502 in. max. | 7.502 in. max. | 7.502 in. max. | 7.502 in. max | 7.502 in. max. | 7.502 in. max. | 7.502 in |
| Weight | 2 grams max. | 2 grams max. | 7 gr max | 2 grams max. | 2 grams max | 2 grams max | rams |
| Temperature Cycling | Exceeds MIL-STD-202. Meth. 102 | Exceeds MIL-STD-202, Meth 102 | Exceeds ML-STD-202, Meth 102 | Exceeds MIL-STD-202, Meth. 102 | Exceeds MIL-STD-202, Meth 102 | Exceeds MIL-STD-202. Meth 102 | Exceed |
| Vibration | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C, Proc. I. | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C, Proc. I. | Exceeds MIL-E-5272C, Proc. 1. | Exceeds MIL-E-5272C, Proc. 1. | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C, Proc I. | Exceeds MIL-E-5272C. Proc I. | Exceeds |
| Shock | Exceeds MIL-STD-202, Meth. 202 | Exceeds MIL-STD-202, Meth 202 | Exceeds MIL-STD-202, Meth 202 | Exceeds MIL-STD-202, Meth 202 | Exceeds MIL-STD-202, Meth 202 | ExceedsMIL-STD-202, Meth 202 | Exceeds M |
| Altituda | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C, Proc. 11. | Exceeds MIL-E-5272C, Proc II. | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C, Proc. II. | Exceeds MIL-E-5272C, Proc. II. | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C, Proc. 11 | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C, Proc. 11 | Exceeds N |
| Sand and Dust | Exceeds MIL-E-5272C | Exceeds MIL-E-5272C | Exceeds MLL-E.5272C | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C | Exceeds MIL-E-5272C | Exceeds M |
| Fungus Resistane: | All non-nutrient materials | All non-nutrient materials | All non-nutrient materials | All non-nutrient materials | All non-nutrient materials | All non-nutrient materials | All non-n |
| Corrosion Resistance | Simitar materials construction $100 \%$ | Similar materials construction $100 \%$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Similar materials } \\ & \text { construction } 100 \% \end{aligned}$ | Similar materials construction 100\% | Similar materials construction $100 \%$ | Similar materials construction 100\% | Similar mate construction |
| Humidity* | Exceeds MIL-E-5272C, Proc. 1. | Exceeds MIL-E-5272C, Proc. I. | Exceeds MIL-E-5272C, Proc. 1 |  | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C, Proc. I. | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C, Proc. 1. | Exceeds M |
| Salt Spray* | Exceeds MIL-E-5272C | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C |  | Exceeds MIL-E.5272C | Exceeds MIL-E-5272C | Exceeds |


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| $\begin{aligned} & 315.60,315-61, \\ & , 315-72,315-74 \end{aligned}$ | 316-00, 316-60, 316.61, 316-64, 316-72, 316-73 | $318 \cdot 00,318 \cdot 60,318.61$, 318.64 | $\begin{aligned} & 355-00,355-60,355-61, \\ & 355-64 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 356 \cdot 00.356-60,356 \cdot 61, \\ & 356.64 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 357-00,357-60,357-61, \\ & 357 \cdot 64 \end{aligned}$ | 358-00, 358-60, 358-61, <br> 358.64 | 3/8" PREVIEW: TO BE INTRODUCED AT THE I.R.E. SHOW, MARCH 20 |
| 50k $1 / 2 " \times 0.200^{\prime \prime}$ $0+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \Omega-50 \mathrm{~K} \\ & \text { I wall (stl\|l arr) } \\ & 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 0.195^{\prime \prime} \\ & -55 \text { to } 150^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 10!\text { - } 50 \mathrm{~K} \\ & \text { /atl (still ari) } \\ & 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 0.200^{\prime \prime} \\ & -55 \text { to }+200^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10!-50 \mathrm{~K} \\ & 1 \text { watt (still air) } \\ & 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 0.195^{\prime \prime} \\ & -55 \text { to }+200^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \end{aligned}$ | 10? - 50 K <br> 1 watt (still air) $1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 0.200^{\prime \prime}$ -55 to $+200^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \text { !? }-50 \mathrm{~K} \\ & \text { l walt (still air) } \\ & 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 0.195^{\prime \prime} \\ & -55 \text { to }+200^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \end{aligned}$ |  |
| $-1.00 \%$ $1 \mathrm{~K}-.32 \%$ <br> -.77 $2 \mathrm{~K}-.23$ <br> .65 5 K .20 <br> .52 $10 \mathrm{~K}-.125$ <br> -.50 $20 \mathrm{~K} . .096$ <br> -.36 $50 \mathrm{~K}-.086$ |  |  |  | $10!-1.00 \%$ $1 \mathrm{~K}-.32 \%$ <br> $20 ?-.77$ $2 K-23$ <br> $50 ?-.65$ $5 K-.20$ <br> $100 ?-.52$ $10 \mathrm{~K}-.125$ <br> $200 ?-.50$ $2 \mathrm{~K}-.096$ <br> $500 ?-.36$ $50 \mathrm{~K}-.086$ | $10:-1.00 \%$ $1 \mathrm{~K}-.32 \%$ <br> $20 \Omega-.7$ $2 \mathrm{~K}-.23$ <br> $50: .65$ $5 \mathrm{~K}-.20$ <br> $1000-.52$ $10 \mathrm{~K}-.125$ <br> $200 ?-.50$ $20 \mathrm{~K}-.096$ <br> $5002-.36$ $50 \mathrm{~K}-.086$ | $100-1.00 \%$ $1 \mathrm{~K}-.32 \%$ <br> $200-.7$ $2 \mathrm{K-.23}$ <br> $50!-.65$ 5 KK .20 <br> $100 \Omega-.52$ $10 \mathrm{~K}-.125$ <br> $200 \Omega-.50$ $20 \mathrm{~K}-.096$ <br> $500 ?-.36$ $50 \mathrm{~K}-.086$ |  |
| pecial tol on request) | - $5 \%$ (special tol on reauest) | - $5 \%$ (spectal tol on reavest) | - $5 \%$ (special tol on request) | - $5 \%$ (ssectal tol on reauest) | $=5 \%$ (special tol on reauest) | =5\% (special tol on request) | New Squaretrims only $3 \cdot z^{\prime \prime}$ square, less than 1/8" thick. Design advantages: |
| $\mathrm{m}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ max.0. $0^{10} 100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $20 \mathrm{pdmm} \mathrm{m}^{\mathrm{C}} \mathrm{Cmax} 0^{\prime}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $20 \mathrm{pmm} \mathrm{m} \mathrm{C} \mathrm{max} 0 \cdot 10100 \mathrm{C}$ | $20 \mathrm{ppmm} \mathrm{m}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ max $0^{\circ}$. $10100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $20 \mathrm{pmmm}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ max $0^{\circ} 1010100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $20 \mathrm{pmm} \mathrm{m} / \mathrm{C}$ max. $0^{\circ} 10100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $20 \mathrm{ppm} \mathrm{m}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \mathrm{max} 0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\text {max }} 0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 50 dpm - $\mathrm{Cmax} 00^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 50 dom C max $0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 50 ppm ' C max $0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $50 \mathrm{ppm} \mathrm{C}^{\mathrm{C}}$ max $0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $50 \mathrm{ppm} \mathrm{C}^{\mathrm{C}} \mathrm{Cax} \cdot 0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 50 ppm ${ }^{-C}$ max. $0^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |
| 11 resolution max | 02\% or 1 resolution max | 028 or 1 resolution mar | 02\% or 1 resolution max. | 02\% or 1 resolution max | $0.2 \%$ or 1 resolution max | $0.2 \%$ or 1 resolution max |  |
| Is min ${ }_{\text {cin }}$ | (1000 his min |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1000 his. min } \\ & \text { Mil-R-19A (in still air) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1000 \text { his min } \\ & \text { MIL-R-19A (in still air) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1000 \text { hrs. min } \\ & \text { Mil-P. } 19 \mathrm{~A} \text { (in stil air) } \end{aligned}$ | smaller, lighter in weight, yet rated |
| ohms min (500V DC) | 50 megohms min (500V DC) | 50 megohms min (500V. DC) | 50 megohns min. (500V. DC) | 50 megohms min. (500v. DC) | 50 megorms min. (500V OC) | 50 megohms min. (500v. OC) | still air. Flat, compact $3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ |
| c. 1 min | 500v AC. 1 min. | 500v AC. 1 min | 500v. AC. 1 min. | 500V AC. 1 min. | 500 V AC, 1 min. | 500v. AC, 1 min. |  |
|  | 98\% | 98\% | $98 \%$ | $98^{\circ} \mathrm{O}$ | 98\% | 98\% | permits much greater circuit density per cubic inch, needs no mounting brackets for stacking, and |
| 1100 ohms NA 5.710 | 01\% or 100 ohms. NA 5.710 | 0.1\% or 100 ohms NA 5.710 | $01 \%$ or 100 ohms NA 5.710 | 0.1\% or 100 ohms. NA 5.710 | 0.1\% or 100 ohms. NA 5.710 | 0.1\% or 100 ohms. NA 5.710 |  |
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## DAYSTROM PATENTED PRECISION ROTARY TY

EXAMPLE: ZERO BACKLASH



The Daystrom 341 Series rotary potentiometers contain this patented "V" guide which eliminates backlash and resultant error. C'.S. Patent 2.8 . 0 (i, 19:3.

EXAMPLE: DOUBLE WIPERS, FINER RESOLUTION, ANI) ABSOLUTE CONTINUITY IN SUBMINIATURE SERIES 3H1 TEN-TURNS


The use of patented double wipers in our 341 Series Potentiometer effectively doubles the resolution...intermittents that normally result from shock and vibration are virtually eliminated.

EXAMPLE: SPECIAL ADJUSTING DEVICE IN GANGABLE SERIES 319

For the first time in gangable potentiometers, you can make individual pot adjustments after ganging without disassembly. Daystrom 319's are uniquely constructed so each can be adjusted separately in 15 or 20 seconds without affecting others. Patents are pending on the special Daystrom-engineered method by which these adjustments are
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EXAMPLE: HIGH POWER, HIGH TEMPERATURE COMBINED IN SUBMINIATURE 314 SERIES



The high temperature stability and power handling capacity of these tiny units is truly impressive. Here, in
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complementary and compatible materials plus precision winding techniques, are employed to achieve this capability. Resistance in standard models ranges from 10 ? to 30 K . Available with or without stops and all panel mounting modes. Meets all applicable MIL specs.
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Where spate is at a premium but precision and performance is a must, the subminiature I)aystrom 304 Series protentiometers are ideal. The use of a cylindrical
mandrel instead of a conventional card, plus special precision winding techniques, are the design features that permit such exceptional performance in such a small case. Only ' $\because$ " in diameter and with case length of mere $\because \because$, the $30 \&$ Series offers linearities of 0.3 ; to 3 ; standard, as fine as $0.1 \times r$; on special order. These ting potentiometers will carry 2 watts at $50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ in still air. operate from -ij5 to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. They weigh only 7 grams max., meet all applicable MIL specs. Resistance Range: 10! to 50 K .

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For nuclear applications


The model N -804 timer measures preset and elapsed time with a 60 cycle controlled time base. Maximum time storage is $10,000 \mathrm{sec}$. Time readout is by four glow transfer tubes. Time resolution is to the nearest second on times longer than 1,000 sec. The unit may be used with any electronically gated scaler as well as with scalers which are stopped and started with mechanical contact closures.
Hamner Electronics Co., Inc. Dept. ED, P.O. Box 531, Princeton, N.J.

## Silicon Transistors

662

## Operate to 200 C

These four diffused-junction silicon power transistors, of the npn type, 2 N 1700 through 2 N 1703 , operate at case and flange temperatures from -6.5 C to 200 C . Dissipation ratings at 25 C range from 5 to 75 w . Alphaa cut-off frequency is 1 to 1.2 mc .
Radio Corp. of America, Semiconductor \& Materials Div., Dept. EI), Somerville, N.J.
Price: From \$3.50 ea, 1,(X) and up).

## Circuir Boards

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## Teflon-glass laminate

Copper-clad, Teflon-glass laminated circuit board, called Genclad, is available in sizes up to $36 \times 34$ in., in any thickness, with copper on one or both sides. The nonflammable board may be solder-dipped for 1 min at 550 F . Dielectric constant is 2.56 at 1 mc ; dielectric strength is 500 v per mil. No adhesive is used in bonding.

General Plastics Corp., Dept. ED, 55 La France Ave., Bloomfield, N.J.
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DC-130 100 Ke., míl. spec.

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The new Burroughs BEAM-X Counter is the lowest cost transistorized decade counter available. The DC-111 Counter, newest product of the Electronic Tube Division, combines the Beam-X switch with transistors in a circuit capable of resolving pulses at 110 Kc . Electrical outputs are provided to operate remote Nixie® tubes, printers, and to perform other circuit functions. This latest addition to the Burroughs Counter line makes possible a number of advantages never before available:

- Use of new Beam-X switch - lowest cost, lightest weight, highest speed, smallest size 10 position electronic counting device.
- Total power consumption of only two watts.
- Elimination of as many as ninety components from counting circuits.
- Increased reliability due to component reduction and use of the ultra reliable Beam-X switch.

This counter is designed as a plug-in module for use in computers, electronic counters, machine control, automation and test equipment and military systems. The units may be directly cascaded. They can be driven by a twelve-volt signal, and are compatible with existing transistor logic circuits.

## Taylor glass-base laminates

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There are good reasons for investigating Taylor glass-base laminated plastics as high-strength-to-weight materials in your design. They offer light weight, corrosion resistance, electrical and thermal insulation, and ease of fabrication.

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Taylor Fibre produces a number


of different glass-base grades in sheet, rod and tubular form, and copper-clad. Those with phenolic resin are recommended for mechanical and electrical applications requiring heat resistance. Those with melamine are characterized by their excellent resistance to arcing and tracking in electrical applications. They also have good resistance to flame, heat and moderate concentrations of alkalis and most solvents. Those with silicone exhibit very high heat resistance, combined with good mechanical and electrical properties. They also have highest arc resistance. Those with epoxy offer extremely high mechanical strength, excellent chemical resistance, low moisture absorption, and high strength retention at elevated temperatures.

Technical data about these and other Taylor laminated plastics are available. Ask for your copy of the Taylor Laminated Plastics Selection Guide. Taylor Fibre Co., Norristown 48, Pa.

## NEW PRODUCTS

## UHF Turret Attenuator

With fast value change


These step-type turret attenuators permit quick change of db combinations. The removal of 3 set screws allows pad retainer ring to move forward for easy replacement, removal, or rearrangement of pads. Turrets are available in any combination of values from 0.1 db through 60 db , in $0.1-\mathrm{db}$ increments.

Stoddart Aircraft Radio Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 6644 Santa Monica Blvd., Hollywood 38, Calif.

## HF Oscilloscope

Bondwidth to 15 mc


Designed for laboratory use, the GM 5603 oscilloscope has differential vertical input, bandwidth dc to 15 mc . Sensitivity ranges from 50 mv per cm to 5 v per cm , accurate to $\pm 3 \%$. Time base is $40 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ per cm to 1 sec per cm , in 21 steps, accurate to $\pm 3 \%$. Magnifications of $2 x$ and $5 x$ are provided. The $13-\mathrm{cm}$ flat-faced cathoderay tube has an accelerating voltage of 10 kv .
N. V. Philip's Gloeilampenfabriegen, EMA Dept., Dept. ED, Eindhoven, The Netherlands.

## Accuracy Is Our Policy . . .

A New Products item concerning Hamlin's Magnetic Reed Switches type DRS-5 appeared on p 159 of the Dec. 7, 1960, issue of Electronic Design. The picture which accompanied the text was incorrect.


AiResearch Minifan* is an extremely high performance 400 -cycle AC motor-driven fan used for cooling airborne or ground electronic and electrical equipment. Model shown has a flow capacity of 53.5 cfm at a pressure rise of $3.44 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, and requires only 69 watts.

Minifan operates up to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. ambient. Its size and weight make it ideal for apot cooling, cold plates or as a cooling package component. The fan can also be repaired, greatly increasing its service life.

## Range of Specifications

- Volume flow: 21.5 to 53.5 cfm
- Pressure rises 6 to $3.4 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
- Speed: 10,500 to 22,500 rpm
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## Control Cable

 Vulkene cable makes it suitable for general usage in air, conduit, underground ducts, or for direct burial The heat-resistant, chemically cross linked polyethylene insulation is available on cable with ratings of 600 v or $1,000 \mathrm{v}, 2$ through 12 conductors, in AllC sizes 14, 12, and 10.General Electric Co., Chemical and Metallurgical Div., Wire and Cable Dept., Dept. EI), Bridgeport 2, Conn

## Commutating Switch 633

## For 10 circuits

This adjustable-pole commutating switch can incorporate as many as 10 independent spst or spdt cir cuits. Each pole can carry as many as 30 bits of information. All circuits can be adjusted over a 360 deg range to lead or lag any or all other circuits. The unit meets military requirements and has a life expectancy of more than 30 million cycles.

Airflyte Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 535 Avenue A, Bayonne, N.J.

## Dual-Channel Plug-In 634

 Dc to 500 -kc bandwidthDual-channel plug-in, type 200, provides de to 500 -kc bandwidth and 1 mv per cm sensitivity. The unit is designed for use with all Analab oscilloscope main frames. Contained within the single plug-in are two amplifier channels and the trigger sweep circuits. Channel A has a maximum sensitivity of 1 mv per cm and channel $B$ has a sensitivity of 40 mv per cm . Both have a bandwidth of dc to 500 kc .

Analab Instrument Corp., Dept. ED, 30 Canfield Road, Cedar Grove, N.J.

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## NEW PRODUCTS

## Patch Cords

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Designed for interconnecting af and rf circuits, these patch cords use $3 / 4$-in. double banana plugs cabled to a wide variety of plugs, connectors, clips and tips. Ten terminations and 3 types of cable are available. Design of the plug permits multiple parallel stacking.

Herman H. Smith, Inc., Dept. ED, 2326 Nostrand Ave., Brooklyn 10. N.Y.

## Synchronous Motor

With variable pole
An L-shaped variable pole arm on this permanent magnet synchronous motor makes it able to start from dead center. The VP-III is rated at 20 in . per oz at 1 rpm ; a high torque model is available. rated at 40 in . per oz at 1 rpm . Standard speeds are from 10 rpm to $1 / 60 \mathrm{rpm}$. Rotation may be clockwise or counterclockwise. Supply is $115 \mathrm{v}, 60 \mathrm{cps}$.

Controls Co. of America, Lake City, Inc.. Dept. ED, Crystal Lake, III.

## Frequency-Period

 664
## Meter

Measures dc to 220 mc
The model 737A will measure frequency from dc to 220 mc , period to $0.1 \mu \mathrm{sec}$, and time interval from $0.1 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ to $10^{7} \mathrm{sec}$. Readout may be decade or Nixie. The meter uses a solid-state counter and a vac-uum-tube heterodyne converter. Decimal point is automatically placed. Stability is 0.2 ppm ; sensitivity is 0.25 v rms. The $53-\mathrm{lb}$ meter measures $14 \times 17 \times 13 \mathrm{in}$.

Computer Measurements Co., Dept. ED, 12970 Bradley Ave., Sylmar, Calif. Price: $\$ 2,400$.


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## Double-Target

For indication and control


This double-target temperature indicating-controlling pyrometer provides a second control point for secondary or additional action. It is available in 11 ranges between 0 to 400 F and 0 to $3,000 \mathrm{~F}$, plus a test chamber range of -100 to 300 F . The flush-mounting unit measures $6-3 / 8 \times 7$ in.
Alnor Instrument Co., Dept. ED, 418 N. LaSalle St., Chicago 10, Ill.

## RF Power Monitor

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## Also measures vswr

The feed-through type power monitor measures incident power between 0.2 and 200 mc , reflected power and vswr from 10 to 200 mc . Calibration can be checked against 60 cps . Frequency range of the resistive voltage divider is dc to 200 mc. Accuracy is 5\% of full scale; impedance is 51.5 ohms. Model VM-1 has ranges of 15 and 60 w ; model VM-2, ranges of 60 and 150 w .
Electro-Impulse Laboratory, Inc. Dept. ED, 208 River St., Red Bank, N.J.

## Silicon Diode

For TV and fm afc
The type 1N3182 voltage variable capacitor silicon diode is designed for TV and fm afc use. Typical Q is 60 ; average capacitance is 30 pf . The subminiature diode, of all glass-construction, has a maximum series resistance of 3 ohms and an inverse voltage of $\mathbf{4 v}$.

Amperex Electronic Corp., Semiconductor and Special Purpose Tube Div., Dept. ED, 230 Duffy Ave., Hicksville, N.Y.

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## NEW PRODUCTS



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Is transistorized


Model L3501 power supply is a portable, transistorized unit which measures $6 \times 8 \times 8$ in. Rating is 0 to 35 v at 0 to 1 amp dc. Regulation is 2 mv per $10 \%$ line input change and 5 mv from no load to full load. Ripple is held to $250 \mu \mathrm{v}$ rms. Parts and workmanship are guaranteed for 2 yr for 24 hr continuous duty, without derating.

Universal Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 1720 2.2nd St., Santa Monica, Calif.

Price: \$189.50.
Availability: From stock,
Data Converter
From paper to magnetic


Model 433 extracts data from punched paper tape and writes them on magnetic tape. Input and output data are completely identical in content. It will accept paper, foil or plastic tapes in widths varying from 5 through 8 level. It includes a paper tape reader capable of reading 120 characters per sec.

Tally Register Corp., Dept. ED, 1310 Mercer St., Seattle, Wash.
Price: From \$26,500.
Availability: 120 days.

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The New Product described on page 112 of the Jan. 4 issue of Electronic Design was incorrectly identified as a multiplexer. The device described was the model 3735 Multiplier manufactured by Donner Scientific Co., Concord, Calif.


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Here are only three of a large family of "K Series" relays by P\&B. Blood brothers all, they are distinguished by fine craftsmanship and design maturity. Together they will handle a multitude of switching requirements.
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## Dual Blower

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## Centrifugal type



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Torrington Manufacturing Co., Specialty Blower Div., Dept. ED, Torrington. Conn.

## Data Equipment

For scanning and printing
High-speed facsimile scanning and printing units, model 921 scanner and model 902 printer, are capable of transmitting and printing 600 individual page-size documents in an hour. The scanner accepts random length documents, then transmits the intelligence to the printer for continuous or intermittent "hard copy" print-out. Dry, permanent copies are produced on standard weight paper.
A. B. Dick Co., Dept. ED, 5700 W. Touhy Ave., Chicago 48, III.

Transistorized Preamplifier
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## For image orthicon use



This transistorized preamplifier is mounted in a standard 14-pin image orthicon base socket. With nominal image orthicon tube load, frequency response is $\pm 1 \mathrm{db}$ to 8 mc . The output stage is an emitter-follower driving a coaxial cable. Terminating impedance is 75 ohms. Input is -6 v with output of 1.5 v peak-to-peak max undistorted.
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## NEW PRODUCTS

## Stepless Control

For furnace regulation


A solid-state switching device, the Power-Prop gives proportional control over the full range of furnace load. It is an input control that will operate from any pyrometer with a proportional dc voltage output signal. The system has no moving parts. It is made in capacities up to 75 amp and up to 230 v ac.

Stepless Controls Corp., Dept. ED, Bear Hill Road, Waltham, Mass.
Availability: Delivery from stock.
Time Delay Relays
Solid-state versions


These solid-state timing units, in the Agastat line, are designed for 18- to $32-v$ dc operation. Delay, on pull-in or drop-out, ranges from 0.01 sec to 10 hr . Internal and external adjustment types, with ratios from 10 to 3,000 to 1 , are offered in addition to fixed-time models. Ambient temperature ranges are -55 to 70 C or 125 C , with fixed-condition accuracies of $\pm 3 \%$ or $\pm 5 \%$. Output may be as high as 5 amp .

Elastic Stop Nut Corp., Elizabeth Div., Dept. ED, Elizabeth, N.J.

## Display System

Monitors computer
A general-purpose, alphanumeric display system, the dd74 provides readout for large data systems. A

## NEW 20 AMP 0.34 VOC Regulatel PWWERSUPPY

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Data Display, Inc., Dept. ED, St Paul, Minn
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General Electric Co., Silicone Products Dept., Dept. ED, Waterford, N.Y.
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503
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Maurey Instrument Corp., Dept. ED. 7924 S. Exchange Ave., Chicago 17, Ill.
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Signal generator $12 / \mathrm{U}$ provides fm and unmodulated rf signals for measurements and alignment. One output supplies voltage at nine crys-tal-controlled frequencies for intermediate frequencies used by receivers to be tested. The second supplies rf output signals in a range of 90 to 100 mc in 5 bands. The rf output is variable from 0.05 to $10,000 \mu \mathrm{v}$; the if output from 0.5 $\mu \mathrm{v}$ to 1 v .

Systems, Inc., Dept. ED, 2400 Diversified Way, Orlando, Fla.
Price: (On request. Availability: 30) days.

Silicon Transistors
For fast-switching uses


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Rheem Semiconductor Corp., Dept. ED, 3.50 Ellis St., Mountain View, Calif.
Availability: From stock.

## Accuracy Is Our Policy . . .

The New Products description of the Surge Stop manufactured by the Syntron Co., Homer City, Pa., stated "It delays good reverse characteristics for dissipating energy found in transient voltages." It should have read "It displays good reverse characteristics, etc." The item appeared on page 137 of the Jan. 4 issue of Electronic Design.


## How to double performance of your magnetic tape recorders

Now you can record 125 -kc data at $\mathbf{3 0}$ ips instead of $\mathbf{6 0}$ on most existing data recorders. How? By using the new Ampex FR-600 for playback. New record/playback capability in the FR-600 saves previous equipment from obsolescence with some added benefits of its own-for example. recording 500 kc at 120 ips .

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Leach Corp., Inet Div., Dept. ED. 184.35 Susana Road, Compton. Calif.

## Sampling System

673
Commutated, 12 channels
Using 12 transducers as sensors, the model 512 commutated sampling system provides readouts from any or all of 12 consecutive remote points. Readout is through a digital display; output is $\pm 10 \mathrm{v}$ dc. Measurement intervals are 1 to 2 sec or 12 per sec. Transducers may be singly balanced or nulled.

Crescent Engineering \& Research Co., Dept. ED, 5440 N. Peck Road, El Monte, Calif.

Pressure Transducer 612
With ac-dc input
The model CP5.3D, a dc-output variable reluctance differential pressure transducer. will operate from 115 vac or 28 v de. Pressure ranges are from $\pm 0.1$ to $\pm 2,500 \mathrm{psid}$. The unit is capable of measurement in the presence of line pressures up to $5,000 \mathrm{psi}$. The package combines a variable reluctance pressure transducer and a transistorized carrierdemodulator. Output is 0 to 5 v de.

Pace Engineering Co., Dept. ED), 130.35 Saticoy St.. North IIollywoorl, Calif.

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## NEW PRODUCTS

## Cathode-Ray Tube

## With flat face

This rectangular 5 -in. cathoderay tube has a flat face plate for accurate visual observation. The type 5BXP has electrostatic focus and deflection with a low-voltage focus lens. The tube is $17-5 / 8 \mathrm{in}$. long; width is $4-5 / 8$, height $2-5 / 8$ in. $\pm 1 / 16 \mathrm{in}$. Accelerator voltage is $2,500 \mathrm{v}$ dc.

Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp., Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Electronic Tube Sales Dept., Dept. ED, 750 Bloomfield Ave., Clifton, N.J.
Price: $\$ 74.50 \mathrm{ea}, 1$ to 10.
Availability: Several weeks.

## Voltage Follower

611
Input impedance is $10^{10}$ ohms
The model 302E Electrosensor has an input impedance in the region of $10^{19}$ ohms. Output measurements are within $0.001 \%$ of input voltages. Normal frequency response is 1 kc , with response of 10 kc on special order. Output impedance may be less than 1 ohm. Voltage readout range is from 100 mv full scale to 250 v full scale.

Halex, Inc., Dept. ED, 310 E. Imperial Highway, El Segundo, Calif.

## Unidirectional Antenna

Range is 6.5 to 58 mc
The 237A-1A antenna provides a horizontally polarized, unidirectional beam with an average free space gain of 8 db over an isotropic antenna, with side lobes 16 db down. Free-space radiation patterns and input impedance are essentially independent of frequency. The peak power-handling capability of antenna and transmission line is 50 kw , with a vswr less than $2.25: 1$ over the range of 6.5 to 58 mc . The longest element is 70 ft ; tower is 105 ft high. The $6,000-\mathrm{lb}$ assembly will withstand $80-\mathrm{mph}$ wind with $1 / 4-\mathrm{in}$. radial ice.

Collins Radio Co., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 1891, Dallas 21, Tex.


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## $109 \% / 1,000 \mathrm{hrs}$. <br> 



## RELIABILITY...PROVED



## PACIFIC SEMICONDUCTORS, INC., tests indicate failure rate of .0009\% per 1,000 hours ACHIEVED for silicon computer diodes... .002\% per 1,000 hours ACHIEVED for silicon general purpose diodes

PSI - qualified supplier of all silicon computer and general purpose diodes for the "Minuteman" ICBM guidance system-has undertaken a production and evaluation program designed to furnish "Minuteman" with ultra-high-reliability diodes. The program is being supported by the Air Force Ballistic Missile Division through the Autonetics Division of North American Aviation.
The ultimate reliability objective is a maximum failure rate of $.0002 \%$ per 1,000 hours for silicon computer diodes, and $.001 \%$ per 1,000 hours for silicon general purpose diodes-levels heretofore unattainable in the semiconductor industry. To achieve and prove this objective, more than 250,000 silicon diodes are being used to generate in excess of a billion diode hours of test information.

Results to date indicate that PSI is currently supplying "Minuteman" computer diodes with an indicated failure rate of $.0009 \%$ per 1.000 hours, and general purpose diodes with an indicated failure rate of $.002 \%$ per 1,000 hours.

Because of the huge quantity of high reliability diodes required in the "Minuteman" program, PSI has been able to make thousands of diode measurements and use these data to control processes. Since the same controls are applied to all PSI manufacturing processes - and not just to a limited and specially isolated line-PSI is able to supply highreliability silicon diodes in large quantities and on a regular basis.

If you are associated with a program requiring ultra-high reliability semiconductor devices, you are invited to take advantage of the vast and growing fund of information and large volume production capacity available only at PSI. For full details, write to Richard A. Campbell, Executive Vice President, Pacific Semiconductors, Inc., 14520 Aviation Blvd., Lawndale, California (Los Angeles County).

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Electric Thermostat
654
Rated for 25 amp


Model EB-3 electric thermostat is designed for domestic electric oven applications. It is a dou-ble-pole, snap-action, single-circuit unit rated for 25 amp at 250 v ac. The hydraulically operated control incorporates the firm's diastat.
Robertshaw-Fulton Controls Co., Indiana Div. Dept. ED, 911 E. Broad St., Richmond 19, Va.

TV System
645
Uses telephone line


The Videx telephone-line television system is capable of transmitting a 400 -line resolution image over a standard telephone line in 60 sec . The system substitutes time for bandwidth, and can also be used to modulate a carrier for radio transmission. It includes camera, camera control and transmitter unit, and a direct-view storage tube monitor with receiver unit. The entire system weighs less than 100 lb .
ITT Laboratories, Components and Instrumentation Laboratory, Dept. ED, Fort Wayne, Ind. Price: From $\$ 12,000$ to $\$ 24,000$ )
Availability: 90-day delivery.

## Electronic Counter

## Range is 10 cps to 1 mc

The Transitron FM-1 electronic counter is designed for research and production. It has modular printed circuit construction and contains self-test circuitry. Specifications are: range, 10 cps to 1 mc ; accuracy, $\pm 1$ count for 1 sec , $\pm 0.0001 \%$ for 10 sec ; input requirements, 0.2 v rms min; connections, BNC type.
Van Norman Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, 186 Granite St., Manchester, N.I.
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Availability: 30 days.


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## NEW PRODUCTS

## Command Receiver



This miniaturized command receiver is for missile flight guidance and safety operations. It is composed of a receiver and a decoller unit. The fm receiver, model 2621 , tunes to a fixed frequency in the 406 - to $549-\mathrm{mc}$ range, has a sensitivity of $7 \mu \mathrm{v}$ and is usable at deviations of up to $\pm 350 \mathrm{kc}$. The selectivity characteristic is $\pm 2 \mathrm{mc}$ at the $60-\mathrm{db}$ points, and image rejection is 60 db . The decoder, model 1801 employs toroid filters and may be supplied with up to 10 channels.
R. S. Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 11368, Station A. Palo Alto, Calif.

## DC Amplifier

Bandwidth is 100 ke


Designed for use with interchangeable plug-in input circuit modules, the model 361 dc instrumentation amplifier can be operated in various combinations of fixed or variable gain or bandwidth, manually or remotely controlled. The bandwidth of 100 kc is unaffected by gain changes. Common mode rejection is 1 million between dc and 150 cps . Input impedance at dc is at least $1,000 \mathrm{meg}$.

Packard Bell Electronics, Packard Bell Computer Corp. Div., Dept. ED, 1905 Armacost Ave., Los Angeles 25, Calif.
Price: $\$ 1,700$ up.
Availability: Immediate delivery.

## Accuracy Is Our Policy ...

The picture accompanying the New Products description of the variable frequency generator manufactured by International Ultrasonics, Inc., was incorrect. The item appeared on page 142 of the Jan. 4 issue of Electhonic Design.


THE AIL TYPE 132
This high precision instrument combines a high gain, low noise figure, intermediate frequency receiver with a secondary standard of attenuation to deliver extremely accurate measurements in a variety of applications:

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Write for descriptive literature.

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Magnetic Tape Recorder
464
Measures $2 \times 4 \times 5$ in.


Model PS-303M magnetic tape recorder measures $2 x+x 5$ in. and weighs 31 o\% including $70 \%$ of tape. It will record dynamic data from 100 to $5,000 \mathrm{cps}$. It requires 34 w of power, supplied by standard mercury cells. Frequency response is flat within $\pm 3 \mathrm{dh}$ from 100 to 5,(000 cps and signal-to-moise ratio is better than 30 db . It will record for 1 hr at $1 .-7$-ips speed.
Precision Instrument Co., Dept. E1), 1101 Commercial St., San Carlos, Calif.

## Stator Yoke

Low and medium impedance


Designed for both low-impedance transistor and medium-impedance cathode-ray tube applica tions, the series Y58 is available with deffection angles of 52,70, and 90 deg and fits all $1-1 / 2-\mathrm{in}$. neck diameter cathocle-ray tubes including 70 deg flat types. The stator type of core permits small effective flux area in relation to inside diameter. Impedances from 0.1 mh to 60 mh may be obtained. Syntronic Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 100) Industrial Road, Addison, III.

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## OOK ELECTBIC

## chooses Tung-Sol transistors

## for automatic air traffic control vocal system

The Cook Electric Automatic Voice Relay is an integral part of a highly advanced system known as Volscan which is designed to relieve the hazards of air traffic congestion over modern airports. The AVR automatically generates flight path instructions vocally to pilots waiting to land, on the basis of data submitted to it by radar. A plane can be brought in every 30 seconds by the system.

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sales offices: Altanta, Ga.; Columbus, Ohio; Culver City,
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## NEW PRODUCTS

DC Power Supply
Is 1-3/4-in. high


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Power Instruments Corp., Dept. ED, 235 Oregon St., El Segundo, Calif. Price: \$39.5.
Availability: 3 to 4 weeks.
Positioning Control
Resolution is 1 in 30,000


A positioning control with resolution of 1 part in 30,000 , the HA- 50 may drive a rotary or linear actuator. It includes a position sensor or combined actuator and sensor, a solid state amplifier, and a digital readout position setter. A cross-over circuit provides fast traverse and transfer to slower speed as preset position is approached.
Jordan Controls, Inc., Dept. ED, 3235 W. Hampton Ave., Milwaukee 9, Wis.

## Cable Connectors

Rated at 7.5 kv


These cable connectors, in BNC size, are rated at $7.5 \mathrm{kv}, 60 \mathrm{cps}$, at sea level. Cable may be RG$59,62,71$, or equivalent; impedance is 50 ohms. In the series is a cable plug, EDD 2538; a cable
jack, EDD 2540, and a panel receptacle, EDD 25.39. Contacts are beryllium copper, gold plated over silver, retaining ring is phosphor bronze; all other metal parts are brass. A Teflon dielectric is used. The weatherproof connectors will opcrate at -65 to 260 F , and meet specifications of MIL-E-5272A.
General RF Fittings, Inc., Dept. ED, 702 Beacon St., Boston 15, Mass.

## Photocell

455
Cadmium-sulfide type


Model CDSS-9 cadmium photocell has a resistance of over 1 meg in darkness and has a broad response to visible light. At 1 to $50 \mathrm{ft}-\mathrm{c}$ it will permit direct control of a relay requiring as much as 10 ma for operation. Power dissipation is $1 / 2$ w continuous, 2 w for 1 min . It is non-polar and may be used for ac or dc, max voltage is 500 vdc or 350 v ac rms.
Pioneer Electric and Research Corp., Dept. ED, 743 Circle Ave., Forest Park, 111.

## Flux Amplifier

639
Is self-testing


This dux amplifier is designed to provide reactor power level data for visual display, recording, control and shutdown or scram use. The unit tests itself each second and actuates a warning circuit in case of failure. Range may be set between $0.1 \mu \mathrm{a}$ and 1 ma . Drift is less than $0.5 \%$; response time is less than 5 msec with $1,000 \mathrm{ft}$ of cable. An integral power supply furnishes $1,400 \mathrm{v}$ for ion-chamber activation. Panel height is 7 in .
Generad Electric Co., Atomic Power Equipment Dept., Dept. Ens, San Jose, Calif.


Four overlapping Beta Ranges - High meter resolution Direct reading with test circuit power off

New Sierra 219B 4-range Transistor Tester reads Beta directly in the circuit; also measures Ico, Beta out of circuit.
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## NEW PRODUCTS

## Insulation Tester

Output is from 0 to $5,000 \mathrm{v}$ rms


Model HV53 high-voltage-insulation tester has a continuous adjustable output of 0 to $5,(0)(\%)$ rms. It has a calibrated high-voltage circuit breaker with a continuously settable trip-point between $10 \mu \mathrm{a}$ and $3,000 \mu \mathrm{a}$. It measures $7-1 / 2 x$ $3-1 / 8 \times 8-1 / 2 \mathrm{in}$. and weighs $8-1 / 2 \mathrm{lb}$.

Opad Electric Co., Dept. ED, 4.3 Walker St. New York 13, N.Y.
Price: $\$ 250$ fol NYC.

## Delay Timer

Replaces thermal delays


A transistorized replacement for thermal time delays, the MT 1103 offers instant reset with repeat accuracy of $3 \%$ under voltage and temperature variation. Time delay can be varied from 0.5 to 100 sec. Standard units have spdt or dpdt contacts, rated at 3 amp resistive, and operate from 18 to 32 v dc .

Syracuse Electronic's Corp., Dept. F.I). P. (). Box 566, Syracuse 1, N. Y.
Price: $\$ 31.50$.
Acailability: Delivery in $2(0)+$ ued $k$.

## Test Fixtures

## For dielectric tests

This line of interchangeable fixtures is for testing the dielectric strength of insulating solids, films, sheets and liquids. An adapter cup makes possible tests with the sample placed under oil. Primarily intended for use with the firm's Hypot testers, the fixtures may be used with many other instruments when the model 8539 test cage is installed.

Associated Research, Inc., Dept. EI), 3777 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago 18, Ill.
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Availability: Stock to 30 days.

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Automation Development Corp, Dept. E.D), 11824 W. Jefferson Blud., Culver City, Calif.

## Tape Recorder

3-5 8-in. diameter


With a diameter of 3-5 8 in . and a length of $3-1 / 8 \mathrm{in}$.. the model 362 tape recorder will record in 7 or 14 channels on 75 ft of tape. It withstands: vibration of $15 \mathrm{~g}, 10$ to 2,000 cps; shock of 2.000 g for 3 msec on any axis; acceleration of 400 g continuously. The $26-\mathrm{oz}$ unit has a temperature range from -50 to 180 F . Tape speed may be 3-3/4, 7-1/2, 15, or 30 in . per seci; wow and flutter are less than $1 \%$. Power requirement is 24 v dc at 1 -amp start and less than 500-ma run.

Leach Corp., Dept. ED, 184.35 Susana Road, Compton, Calif. Price: From $\$ 3,($ OK) to $\$ 3,500$. Availability: 30 to 4.5 days.

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Hamner Electronics Co., Inc., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 531, Princeton, N. J.

## Photoelectric Verifier

Photoelectric sensing is used in the type 2450 verifier to check punched 90 -column tabulating cards. Either the Univac 63 -character code or the standard 90 -column, 37 -character code used by tabulating machines may be verified in one pass. Carriage retum and card feed are automatically controlled by margin settings.

Sperry Rand Corp., Remington Rand Div., Dept. ED, 315 Park Ave. South, New York 10, N. Y. Availability: 9-month delivery.

## Particle Counter

For clean room use


Model PC200A is designed to monitor the presence and distribution of particulate matter in the atmospheres of such areas as clean rooms for precision manufacture and assembly. It presents immediate displays of the numbers of particles present in 15 subranges of sizes from 0.32 microns to 8.0 microns in diameter. Counts appear on decade counters and can be recorded on digital tape or a strip-chart recorder.

Royco Instruments Inc., Dept. ED, 440 Olive St., Palo Alto, Calif.
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Gulton Industries, Inc., Dept ED, 212 Durham Ave., Metuchen N.J.

Test Instruments
Multi-purpose type


These portable instruments are designed for general testing requirements and versatility. Ranges for the dc model 911 are: as a voltmeter, from 1 to $1,000 \mathrm{v}$; as a milliammeter from 0.1 to 100 ma ; as an ammeter, from 10 ma to $\mathbf{1 0}$ amp. Ranges for the ac model 912 voltmeter are from 3 to $1,000 \mathrm{v}$. Accuracy is: $\pm 1 \%$ full scale value on dc voltmeters and milliammeters ( $\pm 2 \%$ on 300 and $1,000 \mathrm{v} \mathrm{dc}$ ); $\pm 2 \%$ full scale value on rectifier-type ac voltmeters, 10 through 300 v ; $\pm 3$ \% full scale value on rectifier-type ac voltmeters for $1,000 \mathrm{v}$ range and 3 v range above mid-scale.

Weston Instruments Div., Daystrom, Inc., Dept. ED, 614 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 12, N.J
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Walter Kidde \& Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 675 Main St., Belleville 9, N. J.

## Sweep Generator

Range is 4 to 250 mc


The model 6016 sweep generator has a frequency range of 4 to 250 mc , with continuous tuning. Frequency modulation is 50 cps . Frequency rise is adjustable in 6 steps, 1 to 30 mc . The built-in quartz crystal oscillator has a frequency of 5.5 mc . The $33-\mathrm{lb}$ unit is $17 \times 13 \times 9 \mathrm{in}$., and operates from $110 / 220 \mathrm{v}, 40$ to $60 \mathrm{cps}, 55 \mathrm{w}$.
EPIC, Inc., Dept. ED, 150 Nassau St., New York $38, \mathrm{~N} . \mathrm{Y}$.

Recorder Pen Programer
For pen lift coding


A recorder pen programer, for recorders using solenoid-operated pen-lift mechanisms, the model CIRCLE 248 ON READER-SERVICE CARO $>$ ELECTRONIC DESIGN • February 15, 1961


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Scientific-Atlanta, Inc., Dept. EID, 2162 Piedmont Road, N. E. Atlanta 9, Ga.
Price: $\mathrm{S} 3(1)$ ( fol) Atlanta
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## Differential DC Preamplifier

## Extends voltmeter range



The range of digital voltmeters is extended to $1 \mu \mathrm{vdc}$ with the use of model $459 / \mathrm{N}$ differential de preamplifier. Common mode rejection is 180 db for dc and 1.30 db for 60 cps with up to 1,000 ohms unbalance in either signal lead. The input can be floated up to $\pm 250 \mathrm{v}$ with respect to ground. Input resistance is greater than 5 meg. Colur Electronics. Inc.. Kin-Tel Div., Dept E1), 5725 Kearney Villa Road, San Diego 12, Calif.
Price: $\$ 1.47 .5$ fol San Diego.
Availability: Onc week.

## Time-Delay Relay

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The inodel T-164 adjustable time-delay relay comes in four timing ranges, four contact arrangements, and two mounting styles. Timing ranges cover from 50) msec to 60 sec , with external pushbutton reset. Repeatability is 1\% short term, $10 \%$ long term. With a relay, an RC: time circuit, and a two-stage transistor amplifier, the unit operates on 18 to 32 v de at 10 mat nominal. Contacts are rated at $3 \mathrm{amp}, 115 \mathrm{v}$ ace and 29 v de, both noninductive. Operating temperature is 32 F to 122 F. Dimensions are $1-29 / 64 \times 2 \times 2-5 / 8 \mathrm{in}$. high. General Automatic Corp., Dept. ED, 111 33rd St., Union City, N. J.

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## Get a head-start on production

 with "solder-coated" resistorsYou can pretty well take for granted that any one of several leading resistor brands will meet or exceed your performance requirements. But there's another factor to be considered too-ease of handling on your assembly lines. Mainly that means ease of soldering - and here Stackpole Coldite $70+$ "solder-coated" fixed composition resistors stand head and shoulders above the field. Not only do these famous cold-molded resistors meet today's critical specifications, but they provide unmatched "solderability" on any hand or automatic, open wiring or printed circuit operation. That makes not only for a real saving in assembly work, but also stands to reduce subsequent service costs resulting from poor soldered connections.

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Accurate to 0.05\%


This $30 \times 30-\mathrm{in}$. X-Y plotter is accurate to $0.05 \%$ of full scale and repeats exactly from any direction. No servo mechanisms are used in the solidstate plotter. Input can be from IBM cards, punched paper tape, or keyboard. Slewing speed is up to 20 in. per sec. Printing head contains 12 symbols, any of which can be selected at will; other print sectors can be added to plot digital or symbol information.

Gerber Scientific Instrument Co.. Dept. EI), Hartford, Conn.

## Wire Dispenser

Consisting of 10 high-impact plastic tubes held in a rack, this dispenser feeds precut wires one at a time. Wires may be clipped in the tube. Racks may be stacked, placed on the bench top, or hung where desired

Products For Industry, Inc.., Dept. ED, 1704 Summer St., Stamford, Conn.

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Electronic Mechanics, Inc., Dept. ED, 101 Clifton Blvd., Clifton, N. J.
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For random or periodic signals


A tool for determining the response characteristics of control, structural, and servo systems, as well as electrical networks, the moxlel OF-3 transfer function analyzer uses a cross-spectral density technique. It uperates with driving signals that are random or complex periodic, obtains the calusal relationship between two signals, and gives the output as Nyquist or Bode plots. It is applicable to vibration, acoustic, servo, human response and related fields.

Gulton Industrie's, Inc.. Dept. ED, 212 Durham Ave., Metuchen, N. J.


## Video-Switching Systems

This transistorized, modular video-switching system consists of 12 inputs and outputs, amplifiers, vertical interval control circuitry, power supplies, and 5 auxiliary effects amplifiers, all housed behind 35 in. of panel space on a standard rack. It is with either binary- or decimal-switching logic control.
Cotham Broadcasting Corp., Tarc Electronics Div Dept. ED. $4 \%$ U'rban Ave, Westbury, N. Y.

## DC Voltage-Current Source

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Voltage accuracy is $0.0075 \%$


Model 401 is a completely transistorized de absolute voltage-current source. It has voltage accuracy of $0.0075 \%$ and an absolute current accuracy of $0.025 \%$. Stability for voltage outputs is 0.003 ; for current outputs it is $0.005 \%$. All outputs are short-circuit-proof.
Rotek Instrument Corp., Dept. ED, 733 Concord Ave., Cambridge, Mass.
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Digital Equipment Corp., Dept. ED, Maynard. Mass.
Price: $\$ 20,(000)$.
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## Hall-Effect Generators

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Thin-film metal-deposited Hall-effect generators, made of indium arsenide, are now available. The probes have a Hall output voltage exceeding 1 v at 10,000 gauss. The four electrodes are attached by printed-circuit technigues.
G. R. H. Halltest Co., Dept. ED, 157 S. Morgan Blvd., Valparaiso, Ind.

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NJE Corp., Dept. ED, 20 Boright Ave., Kenilworth, N. J.
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Pressure Transducers


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Spitz Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, Yorklyn, Del.
Price: $\$ 40$.
Availability: 2 weeks.


These welder phase-shift heat-control patterns were directly recorded with a Honeywell 906 Visicorder at Bristol Aircraft (Western) Limited in Winnipeg.
Since the welding heat generated is proportional to the square of the current value, phase shift must be accurately controlled in order to determine the heat value. If the phase shift dial is not accurately calibrated, the result is too much or too little heat, and a poor weld.
In this application, the Visicorder is an essential guide to accurate calibration, since ink-type re-
corders do not cover the sensitivities and frequencies needed and an oscilloscope would present a continually changing pattern since most recording periods are less than 10 cycles. The directly-recorded Visicorder patterns allow a convenient study of the exact time when the current wave form was being cut off.
Here is the circuit used in this test.


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IMC Magnetics Corp., Eastern Div., Dept. ED. 6058 Walker Ave., Maywood, Calif.
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Moore Associates, Dept. ED, 2600 Spring St., Redwood City, Calif.

## Tube Shields

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Designed for maximum heat dissipation, and for retention of the tube in shock and vibration, these shields fit 9T9 type tube bulbs. Base part No. is T9-2001-7H; tube shield assembly is No. T9-2027. 5 H .

International Electronic Research Corp., IERC. Div., Dept. EI). 135 W. Magnolia Blid., Burbank, Calif.

## Silicon Rectifiers

Weigh less than 0.75 g


Available in plastic ( 7 MP ) and ceramic ( 7 MH ) packages, these miniature silicon rectifiers weigh less than 0.75 g and measure $3 / 8$ by 0.200 in . in diameter. They are rated at 750 ma average, and 50 to 600 piv. Operating ambient temperature is from -65 to +100 for the plastic unit and -65 to +150 for the ceramic units. Type 7 MH meets military specifications and is insulated and hermetically sealed, in an axial-lead package. The 7MP is plastic-encapsulated for chassis mounting.

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## Enclosed Relays

626
For motor starting


Start-winding contact ratings to 25 amp are available in the type 83 relay. Current-operated, it functions as a single-pole, normally open motor-starting relay for heavy-duty single-phase capacitor motors which are used in appliances. The type 84 is a voltage-operated single-pole relay, which may be normally open, normally closed or double-throw for pilot or power duty applications. Coil ratings are to 230 v ac, contact ratings to $1 / 2$ hp or 16 amp resistive. Contacts and coils are enclosed. Terminals may be screw, quick-connect, or solder type. Size is $1-7 / 8 \times 1-1 / 4 \times$ 1-1/4 in.

Essex Wire Corp., RBM Controls Div., Dept. ED, Logansport, Ind.

Film Capacitors 592
Low temperature coefficient


These subminiature Teflon capacitors, developed for missile guidance systems, have temperature coefficients from 0 to 120 ppm per deg C. Tolerances to $0.1 \%$ are available. These units have the self-healing characteristics of metallized film capacitors.
Component Research Co., Inc. Dept. ED, 3019 S. Orange Drive, Los Angeles 16, Calif.


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## NEW PRODUCTS

Pulse Generator
For single or double pulses


A decade-pulse generator, the GO 1005 can be used for determining transmission characteristics and transient response of amplifiers and networks, or for testing frequency and amplitude limits of electronic counters. It provides positive or negative, single or double rectangular pulses of up to 100 v amplitude at prf from 10 cps to 1 mc . Signal delay and pulse duration ranges are $250 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ to 100 msec .

Solartron Laboratory Instruments Ltd., Dept. ED, Cox Lane, Chessington, Surrey, England.

## Stake Nuts

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Minimum thickness requirements for these miniature floating and nonfloating stake nuts are 0.040 and 0.030 respectively. The push-out, torque-out and thread-locking features each exceed all the requirements of MIL-N-25027.
Kaynar Manufacturing Co., Inc., Kaylock Div., Dept. ED, Box 2001, Terminal Annex, Los Angeles 54, Calif.

## Tester Kit

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For diodes and transistors


The IT-10 transistor-diode checker tests both low-power and high-power transistors for shorts, opens, leakage, current gain, as well as forward and reverse current of crystal diodes. A reversing switch is provided. The tester checks its own power supply, and may be used for continuity testing. Cabinet measures $3-3 / 4 \times 3-1 / 16 \times 3-1 / 8$ in.
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Price: $\$ 6.95$.


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| TYPE | Minimum PIV <br> (V) | Minimum Forward Current (a) +1 V (mA) | Max. Reverse Current |  | Maximum Average Forward Current (mA) | Maximum Forward Surge Current for 1 Sec (mA) | Reverse Recovery |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & I_{R} \\ & (\mu \mathrm{~A}) \end{aligned}$ | (V) |  |  |  |  | When Switched $\mathrm{If}(\mathrm{mA}) / \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{R}}$ | Circuit |
| 1N34A | 75 | 5 | -500 | -50 | 30 | 500 |  |  |  |  |
| 1N388 | 125 | 4 | -6 | -3 | 50 | 500 |  |  |  |  |
| 1 NS4A | 50 | 5 | -7 | -10 | 50 | 500 |  |  |  |  |
| 1N58A | 100 | 4 | -600 | -100 | 50 | 500 |  |  |  |  |
| 1N66 in67A | 60 80 | 5 4 | -50 -5 | -10 -5 | $\begin{aligned} & 50 \\ & 30 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 500 \\ & 300 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| IN68A | 130 | 3 | -625 | -100 | 30 | 350 |  |  |  |  |
| in69a | 75 | 5 | -500 | -50 | 40 | 400 |  |  |  |  |
| 1N70A | 125 | 3 | -300 | -50 | 30 | 350 |  |  |  |  |
| 1N81A | 50 | 3 | -10 | -10 | 30 | 350 |  |  |  |  |
| 1 N88 | 100 | 2.5 | -100 | -50 | 30 | 300 |  |  |  |  |
| 1 1N89 | 100 | 3.5 | $-100$ | -50 | 30 | 250 |  |  |  |  |
| 1N90 | 75 | 5 | -500 | -50 -50 | 30 | 250 |  |  |  |  |
| 1N95 in97 | 75 100 | 10 10 | -500 -100 | -50 -50 | 30 30 | 250 250 |  |  |  |  |
| 1 N99 | 100 | 10 | -50 | -50 | 30 | 300 |  |  |  |  |
| 1 NT16 | 75 | 5 | -100 | -50 | 30 | 250 |  |  |  |  |
| 1 N117 | 75 | 10 | -100 | -50 | 30 | 250 |  |  |  |  |
| 1 N119 | 60 | 5 | See | Note 1 | 25 | 500 | 0.5 | 50 | 30/35 | IBM "Y" |
| 1 N 120 | 70 | 5 | See | Note 2 | 25 | 500 | 05 |  | 30/35 | IBM " $Y$ " |
|  | 75 | 5 | -850 | \| -50 | 30 | 350 |  |  |  |  |
| 1N127A ${ }^{\circ}$ | 125 | 3 3 | -300 -10 | -50 -10 | $\begin{aligned} & 30 \\ & 30 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 300 \\ & 300 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| IN142 | ${ }^{50}$ | 5 | -100 | -100 | 60 | 400 |  |  |  |  |
| 1 N191 | 60 | 5 | -125 | - -50 | 30 | 300 | 0.5 | 50 | 30/35 | IBM ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ |
| 1 N192 | 70 | 5 | See | Note 3 | 30 | 300 | 0.5 | 50 | 30/35 | IBM " $Y$ " |
| ${ }^{1} 119{ }^{\circ}$ | 60 | 5 | -250 | -50 ca $75^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 30 | 300 |  |  |  |  |
| 1N198A | 100 | 5 | -250 | - $501075^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 30 | 300 |  |  |  |  |
| 1 N 198 B | 100 | 4 | -250 | -50《275 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 30 | 300 | 0.3 | 100 | 2/6 | JAN 256 |
| 1 N 268 | 30 | 6 | -25 | -10 -100 | - | 300 300 |  |  |  |  |
| 12290 1 N294 | 120 70 | 5 5 | -100 -800 | -100 -50 | 30 50 | 300 500 |  |  |  |  |
| 1 N297 | 100 | 3.5 | -100 | -50 | 35 | 500 |  |  |  |  |
| 1 N298 | 85 | $30 \cdot 6+2 v$ | -250 | -40 | 50 | 500 |  |  |  |  |
| iN480 | 60 | 5 | -125 | $-50{ }^{\circ} 60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | - | - | 0.5 | 50 | 30/35 | JAN 256 |
| 1 Na36 | 60 | 25 | -10 | -10 | 30 | 300 |  |  |  |  |

Notes: 1, Dynamic back resistance at 55 C between -10 V and -50 V is 403 K minimum
Dynamic back resistance is 55 C oetween -10 V and -50 V is 200 K minimum Dynamic back current $<50 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ at hov peak
JAN versions available.

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For transistor life


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Tenco Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 108 Cummington St., Boston 15, Mass.
Price: $\$ 5,000$ plus the cost of the oven.
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Controls Co. of America, Control Switch Div., Dept. ED, Folcroft, Pa.

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## NEW PRODUCTS

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Allied Chemical Corp., Plastics Div., Dept. ED, 40 Rector St., New York 6, N.Y.

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## With internal heater



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Control Data Corp., Cedar Engineering Div., Dept. ED, 5806 W. 36th St., Minneapolis 16. Minn.

Coaxial Relays
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Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp., Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Electronic Tube Div., Dept. ED, Clifton, N.J.

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P. R. Mallory \& Co. Inc., Dept. ED, Indianapolis 6, Ind.
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Schlumberger Corp., Ridgefield Instrument Group, Dept. ED, Ridgefield, Conn.
Price: A-2, \$195; G-2, \$75.

## Sound Survey Meter

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Espey Manufacturing \& Electronics Corp., Saratoga Industries Div., Dept. ED, Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

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Palomar Scientific Corp., Dept. ED, 4039 Transport St., Palo Alto, Calif.
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Availability: 6 to 8 weeks.

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Mid-Eastern Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 32C Commerce St., Springfield, N.J.
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Universal Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 1720 22nd St., Santa Monica, Calif.
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Applied Magnetics Corp., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 368, Santa Barbara Airport, Goleta, Calif.

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Sorensen \& Co., Inc., Dept. ED, Richards Ave., South Norwalk, Conn.
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## Defining "Loss" in Wave-Filter Specifications



There are two kinds of power-loss measurements of primary concern in filter work. These are called Transducer Loss and Insertion Loss. Because of their similarity, they are often used indiscriminately with the result thal hlter-design specifications are somel when exact meanings of these two iusion can be eliminated when exact meanings of these two It is the purpose of this article to tle down meanings of the terms Transducer Loss and Insertion Loss.

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A transducer is, by definition, any device that can recelve energy from one system or systems and deliver it to another system or systems. A wave-filter is a transducer in the field of inductive components since it is capable of being actuated
by waves from one or more transmission systems and of supplying related waves to one or mission systems and of systems.
Text and derivations that follow make reference to ar. ideal transducer. While, of course, there is no such thing as an ideal or theoretically perfect transducer, concept of such a device is most useful. An ideal transducer is defined as one that transfers the maximum possible power from source to
Such a hypothetical ideal tran
Such a hyporthetcal (a) dissipates no sents to each its conjugate impedance. Conjugate impedances occur when two connected networks have equal resistive components, and reactive components are equal in magnitude but opposite in sign ( $R_{\mathrm{B}}=R_{\mathrm{L}}$ and $X_{8}=-X_{\mathrm{L}}$ ).

## Transducer Loss

Transducer Loss is the ratlo of power which an ideal transducer would deliver to a specified load from a specified source to the power delivered from the same source to the same load by the actual transducer.
Transducer loss is determined as follows. Power relationships are derived from the elementary circuit diagrams of
Figs. 1(a) and 1(b).

Insertion Loss
Insertion loss resulting from connecting a transducer into a transmission system is the ratio of power delivered to that part of the system following the transducer, before insertion of the transducer, to power delivered to that same part of the system after insertion of the transducer. Power relationships for determination of Insertion loss are derived from the elementary circuit diagrams of Fig. 2.


Insertion Loss in do

$$
=10 \log \left[\frac{\left(I_{1}\right)^{2} R_{L}}{\left(I_{z}\right)^{2} R_{L}}\right]
$$

(4)

Or, since $E_{1}$ and $E_{2}$ are proportional to $I_{1}$ and $I_{2}$ respectively. equation (4) becomes

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Insertion Loss in db } \\
& \quad=10 \log \left[\frac{\left(E_{E_{1}}\right)^{2}}{\left(\mathrm{E}_{2}\right)^{2}}\right]=20 \log \left[\frac{\mathrm{E}_{1}}{\mathrm{E}_{2}}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

(5)

Circuit impedances do not enter into the expression even though they obviously affect the quantities involved and, hence, the numerical result. However, equations do represent a true power ratio under all conditions.
Comparison Botween Transducer And Insertion Losses
It is obvious that Transducer Loss and Insertion Loss are not the same. Both ratios use power delivered to the load through the actual transducer as denominators of the expres delivered to the load through an ideal transducer with power delivered to the load through the actual transducer. Insertion Loss compares power delivered to the load with the transducer omitted completely from the circuit with power delivered to the load through the actual transducer.
Special note should be made that the value of $E_{1}$ in equation (3) and $E_{\text {, }}$ in equation(5)are NOT equal. With this fact In mind, the two equations can be defined in the same terms by writing $E_{1}$ in equation (5) in terms of $E_{1}$ in equation (3). of Transducer Loss: Insertion Loss=
 It is now obvious what results from Indiscriminate use of the term Transducer Loss and Insertion Loss. If a filter is required with an insertion loss of 7.5 db but transducer loss Is specified, the filter is manufactured with a T. L. of 7.5 db . When measured by the customer it exhibits an insertion loss of 7.5 db plus a factor of $10 \log \left[\frac{R_{L}}{R_{L}+R_{3}}\right]^{2}-10 \log \left[\frac{R_{L}}{4 R_{5}}\right]$
which puts it out of specification. which puts it out of specification.
It is the purpose of this article to emphasize the fact that insertion Loss and Transducer Loss are different. The only time they can be considered to have the same value is the condition under which $R_{L}=R_{8}$. That this is true can readily that the last two terms cancel out. This is the only time Insertion Lose Equals Transducer Lose. ansducer Loss.
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Yellow Springs Instrument Co.. Dept. ED, Box 106, Yellow Springs, Ohio.
Price: \$49.5.
Acailability: From dealer stock.

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Centralah Dis., (Gobe-U'nion, Inc., Dept. EDD, G(K) E. Kerefe Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.
Price: From \$10.25 10 \$0 80.80 eal
Availability: Four to six weeks.

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This series of high-current chokes is designed for computer power supplies. All units are packaged in MIL-T-27 cases of AH type. Chokes are foil-wound and range from 500 wh at 5 amp to 100 wh at 20 amp.
Atlas Transformer Co., Dept. ED, 1839 Moore St., San Diego 1, Calif.

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Sage Instruments, Inc., Dept. EI), 9 Bank St. White Plains, N.Y

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Humphrey, Inc., Dept. ED, 280.5 Canon St., San Diego 6, Calif.

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Electronic Specialty Co., EEMCO Div., Dept. ED, 4612 W. Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles 16, Calif.

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American Time Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 61-20 Woodside Ave., Woodside 77, N.Y

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516
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The Cosmodyne Corp., Dept. ED, 12833 Simms Ave., Hawthorne, Calif.


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| NJ-1 | 7.2MC | 160KC | 300KC | - |  | 60db | 6db | 13K | 1 db | A |
| NJ-18 | 7.2MC | 160KC | 300KC |  |  | 60db | 6db | 13K | . 5 db | B |
| NJ-2 | 7.4MC | 160KC | 300KC |  |  | 60 db | 6 db | 13K | 1 db | A |
| NJ-2B | 7.4MC | 160KC | 300KC |  |  | 60db | 6db | 13K | . 5 db | $B$ |
| NG-1 | 5.09MC | 160KC | 350KC |  |  | 60 db | 6db | 20K | 1 db | A |
| NG-1B | 5.09MC | 160KC | 350 KC |  |  | 60 db | 6db | 20K | 1 db | B |
| NB-1 | 10.7MC | 200KC |  | 450KC |  | 75 db | 12db | 50 | 1 db | A |
| NB-1B | 10.7MC | 200KC |  | 450KC |  | 85 db | 8 db | 50 | .5db | B |
| RL-1 | 11.5MC | 80KC |  | 160KC | 200KC | 85 db | 6 db | 50 | . 5 db | C |
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Consolidated Avionics Corp., Dept. E1), 800 Shames Drive, Westbury, L.I., N.Y.

## Force Gage

A gram and ounce force gage is offered to cqualified switch users. It normally sells for $\$ 7.50$. Send \$1 with letherhcad request stating name and engineering title.
(Cherry Electrical Products Corp., Dept. ED), Highland Park, III.

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Dow Chemical Co., Dept. ED, Midland, Mich Price: $\$ 1.00$ to $\$ 2.01$ per ll.

## Crowbar Tube

Rated to 3 kr


This subminiature cold cathode trigger tube, designed for crowhar operation, is rated from 350 to $3,000 \mathrm{v}$ de on the anode, with a hold-off voltage of $3,500 \mathrm{v}$ dc. The WC-28 has a peak cathode rating of 10 to $1,000 \mathrm{amp}$; grid pulse amplitude is 230 v for $10 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ max.
Electronic Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, 18 Marshall St., South Norwalk, Conn. Availability: 10-day delivery.

## Mechanical Filters

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A mechanical filter designed for mobile radio equipment, the F $455 \mathrm{Y}-1-120$ has a $4.55-\mathrm{ke}$ center frequency and a passband of 12 kc to match a $\pm$-ke transmitter deviation. Another filter, the F455YA-320, with a $455-\mathrm{kc}$ center frequency and a 32-kc passband, is suited for wide-hand mobile equipment applications
Collins Radio Co., Western Div., Dept. ED, 2700 W. Olive Ave, Burbank, Calif

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P. R, Mallory \& Co, Inc, Milli-Switch Corp., Dept. ED, (Cladwone, Pat.

## Indicator Light

The LIf,20(0) indieatere light has a watertight lens an ailable in 7 colurs. Case is ancelized aluminum; the 6 -, 14- or 28 - c lamp may he replaced from the front of the pancl
Controls Co. of America, Control Swith Div. Dept. ED, Foleroft, Pa.

## Storage Drum



A typical model of this magnetic storage drum has 4 channels, 2 of which provide adjustable delays of up to 6 sec accommodating either complex waves or pulses. The unit uses a synchronous drive motor and hydraulically-damped gear box. Delay variation may be accomplished mannally or through servo control. It may be supplied in a varicty of frequency responses, delay adjustments, head configurations and number of recording tracks.
Instrument Systems Corp., Dept. EID, College Point 56, L.I., N.Y.

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Hoover Electric Co., Dept. ED, Hangar \#2. Port Columbus, Columbus 19. Ohio.

## Printed-Circuit Kit

Each printed-circuit kit contains enough copperclad board, liquid etchant, etch-resistant terminal pads, and resistant tape to make 3 circuit boards. An etchant tray is provided with the Quik-Cirkit.

Advanced Designs Inc., Dept. ED, 914 Lullaby Lane, South V'ienna, V'a.
Price: $\$ 5$ per kit.
Acailability: Immediate.

## Transfer Function Analyzer

Range is 0.01 to 200 cps


A transfer function analyzer, for frequency response measurements, the model 711 has a range of 0.01 to $2(0) \mathrm{cps}$. Noise rejection is 40 db ; accuracy is 0.25 db or 2 deg . The data are presented as in-phase and quadrature components, as well as amplitude and phase vs frequency.

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Hydro-Aire Co., Electronics Div., Dept. ED 3000 Winona Ave., Burbank, Calif

Pulse-Train Modules
For step-servo control


These pulse-train generating modules are designed to act as pulse sources for step-servo motors and controllers. Ten versions of model A502 are made in five pulse ranges, from 4 to 16 up to 65 to 300 pulses per sec, and two temperature ranges, -55 C to 70 C and to 125 C . The $2-\mathrm{oz}$ units operate on $28 \pm 5 \mathrm{v} \mathrm{dc}$.

Automation Development Corp., Dept. ED. 11824 W. Jefferson Blvd., Culver City, Calif.
Price: $\$ 99 \mathrm{ea}, 70 \mathrm{C} ; \$ 164 \mathrm{ea}, 12.5 \mathrm{C}$.
Availability: Stock to 30 days.

## Accuracy Is Our Policy . . .

The photograph, accompanying the New Proclucts description of an indicator light made by Control Switch Div. of Controls Co. of America, on page 52 of Electronicic Design's Jan. 18 issue, does not show the light described..

Microminiature Thermocouples 749 Probe OD is 0.014 in .

The HT microminiature thermocouple is made for use in the range from cryogenic environments to $+3,000 \mathrm{~F}$. The probe measures 0.014 in . in diameter, with several sheath materials and lengths. A response time of 13 msec has been achieved.
Baldwin-Lima-IIamilton Corp., Electronics \& Instrumentation Div., Dept. ED, 42 4th Ave., Wialtham 54, Mass.

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Model C-3001 is a solid-state and magnetic system, which provides the equivalent of a chopper and an input transformer. Drive or (arrier frequency is nominally 15 to 20 kc ; range is 5 kc $\mathrm{min}, 50 \mathrm{kc}$ max. Common-mode rejection is in excess of 120 dh . Typical drift will not exceed 10 he over 24 hr.
James Electronics Inc., Dept. EI), 40.50 N. Rockwell St., Chicage 18, III.

## Ventilating Unit

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Model KP701, $19-\mathrm{in}$. rack-mounting ventilating unit delivers 350 cfm of filtered air from twin blowers. It uses 7 in . of panel space. The unit is powered by a permanent split-capacitor motor. The motor is rated at 1.3 amp .

Kooltronic Fan Co., Dept. E1), P.(). Box 5().t, Princeton, N.J.


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Associated Research, Inc., Dept. EI), 3776 W'. Belmont Ave., Chicago 18. Ill.

## AC Potentiometer

747
10-turn type


The 7800 series of 10 -turn precision potentiometers is designed for ac circuits. The units are $2-\mathrm{in}$. in diameter. They have high input impedance and low output impedance, thereby substantially reducing quadrature and loading effects. Standard model 7803 has an impedance range of 1 K to 200 K and covers a frequency range of 400 to $1,000 \mathrm{cps}$.

Beckman Instruments, Inc., Helipot Div. Dept. ED, 2500 Harbor Blvd., Fullerton, Calif

## Pulse Transformer

731


This pulse transformer operates in a blocking oscillator circuit and includes the use of a highquality ceramic ferrite cup core. Its rugged encapsulated construction enables its use in salt atmosphere marine applications.

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DC Power Supplies


The model TR-30-100, a transistorized, voltageregulated de variable power supply, provides 0 to 25 v dc from input of 105 to $125 \mathrm{v}, 50$ to 60 cps . Output current is 0 to 100 ma ; regulation is $0.5 \%$, line and load. Ripple is $0.1 \%$ or 25 mv max. The supply plugs into an octal socket. Weight is 2 lb 2 oz ; dimensions are $3-1 / 4 \times 3-3 / 8$ $\times 4-1$-in. high.

Acopian Technical Co., Dept. EI), 927 Spruce St., Easton, Pa.
Price: $\$ 50$ ).
Availability: Delivery from stock.

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Developed for testing the 1-me T-Pac series of digital modules, these test units check all standard characteristics and functions. Model L.ET-10 tests the logical element package and provides some signals for FST-10, which checks static flip-Hop, thyratron driver, synchronous generator, and serial memory, and for the MPT-11. which tests sense amplifier, inhibit driver, and selector switch magnetic core memory packages.
Computer Control Co., Dept. ED), 98.3 Concord St., Framingham, Mass.
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Dee Electric Co., Dept. E1), 1101 N. Paulina St., Chicage 22, III.
Price: $\$ 2,17.5$ ea
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Fitchburg Engineering Corp., Electronic Div., Dept. ED, Fitchburg, Mass.
Price: Orienting table, $\$ 1,1(K)$; slicing machine, \$12,240.
Availability: 90 day.s.

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Micro-Path, Inc., Dept. ED, Clifton, N.J.
Price: $\$ 27,(M N)$; optional contour styles, $\$ 2,(M)$ ).

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## Soldering Machine

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A timing control circuit in the model 186B soldering machine assures uniform heating to each solder joint on multi-pin connectors. In addition, a programing system gives visual indication of the pin to be so!dered and the color and number of the wire. A footswitch advances the program to the next pin when the predetermined soldering time has elapsed.

Virginia Electronics Co. Inc., Dept. ED, River Road at B\&O Railroad, Washington 16. D.C. Price: $\$ 375$ ea.
Availability: From stock after Jan. 1.5, 1961.

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Hughes Aircraft Co., Vacuum Tube Proclucts Div., Dept. EI, 2020 Short St., Oceanside, Calif. Price: $\$ 315$.
Availability: Tuo weeks.

## Automatic Relay Tester

## Presents performance-test results

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General Electric Co., Specialty Control Dept. Dept. ED, Schenectady 5, N.Y.

## Etching Machine

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Centre Circuits, Inc., Dept. EI), P. O. Box 16.5, 1101 N, Atherton St., State College, Pa.

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Motion Control Machines, Dept. Eil), 2704 II. Burbank Blad., Burbank. Calif Price: Price is $\$ 2, \pi$ () fol) Burbank

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Geo. Stevens Manufacturing Co., Inc., Dept. ED, Pulaski Road at Peterson, Chicago 46. III. Price: \$2,415 fob Chicago. Availahility: 2-ucek delivery

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Patton-MacGuyer Co., Dept. ED, Edgewood Station. Providence, R.L.

## Slicing Machine <br> Accuracy within $\pm 0.0001$ in.

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This automatic machine, designed for slicing silicon or germanium wafers, provides repeatability accuracy of the cross-feed index to within $\pm 0.0001 \mathrm{in}$. The 2 -speed dc table drive motor is controlled by a regulated power supply:

Reid Brothers, Inc., Dept. EI). Beverly, Mass.

## Setting Machine

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United Shoe Machinery Corp., Eyelet Dept., Dept. ED, 140 Federal St.. Boston 7, Mass.

## C-Ring Assembly Press

## For high-speed operation

This assembly press is designed to eliminate manual operations and is claimed to speed assembly output $300 \%$. It can be furnished to handle C-rings of all sizes. Required input is 115 v ac at 60 cps .

Altomac Corp., Dept. E1), 86.3 Washington St., Canton. Mass.

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## Ultrasonic-Impact Grinder

For semiconductor and other electronic devices
Model 2-333 can machine an area up to 1-3/8 in . in diameter. It also has general-purpose applications, including soldering and cleaning. An air-cooled, $300-\mathrm{w}$ magnetostrictive transducer is incorporated in the tool.

Raytheon Co., Apparatus \& Systems Div., Dept. ED, 1415 Providence Turnpike, Norwood, Mass.

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## For printed-circuit components

This forming machine is designed for the automatic forming, bending and cutting of resistor and diode leads for components of printedcircuit boards. It accepts different sizes of resistor and diode bodies and all carded resistors. The length of cuts and bends can be adjusted without additional tooling. Extra attachments include a hopper feed, a taped-reel feed, lead clamps and heat-sink stress relief shapers.

Design Tool Co., IDiv. of Federal Manufacturing and Engineering Corp., Dept. EI), 10.55 Stewart Ave., Garden City, N.Y.
Price: \$6.5).

## Axial-Lead Component Marker

Marks 2,600 components per hour
This machine, type 146A, prints trademark, polarity symbol and band, and desired code markings on diodes, capacitors, resistors, and other axial-lead components at a production rate of 2,600 per hour. Components with diameters from 0.08 to 1 in ., body lengths from $1 / 4$ to $1-1 / 8$ in . and over-all lengths from $1-3 / 4$ to $4-1 / 4 \mathrm{in}$. are accepted. The machine measures $18 \times 11 \times$ 12 in.

Markem Machine Co., Electrical Div., Dept. ED, Keene, N.H.
Price \& Availability: \$1485; delivery 75 10 90 days.

## Leak Detection Tester

## Speeds production testing

This semiautomatic leak detection tester can be attached directly to the firm's leak detector. It tests devices such as capacitors, transistors, and vacuum tubes. It has spring-loaded mechanical valves which are electrically tripped in proper sequence.

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

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Dynatran Electronics Corp.. Dept. El), 17. Herricks Road, Mineola, N.Y.
Availability: fill to (H) days.

## Conveyor Furnace

For applications in the $300-$ to $1,100-\mathrm{C}$ range
Type LAC-55M conveyor furnace is a box-type heating chamber with a custom-built loading table at the front end and a water-jacketed cooling section at the discharge end. The unit is designed for close temperature-control applications in the 300 - to $1,100-\mathrm{C}$ range, $\pm 0.5 \mathrm{C}$. A threezone temperature control within the $36-\mathrm{in}$. chamber obtains correct temperature curves for the work being processed. Applications include highly critical alloying of electronic components and metal bonding and soldering.
C. I. Hayes, Inc., Dept. ED, 8.96 Wellington Ave., Cranston 10, R.I.

## Wire-Coding Machine

## For Teflon-coated wire

This wire-coding machine automatically dereels, straightens, color codes, thermal strips and cuts to length a wide range of wire sizes. Duplicate sets of up to six bands of different colors can be simultaneously applied and sintered into the Teflon surface. Spacing of hands and cut-off lengths are adjustable.

Radio Corp. of America, Industrial Controls Div., Dept. ED, 12605 Arnold Ave., Detroit 39, Mich.


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The MicroWaves Section
Antenna-design activities continue at a feverish pace. Recently, the National teronautics and Space Administration. through its Jet Propulsion Laboratory faculty, awarded study feasibility contracts for advanced space tracking antennas to four companies: Blau-Knox, Hughes, North American and Westinghouse. A tracking antenna 200)to $2.50-\mathrm{ft}$ in diameter is envisioned which will increase deep-space communication capabilities 10 to 30 times over existing facilities.

This section continues a discussion of current antenna designs and contemporar! research started in the Nov. 2:3 isstere of Electronic Dfsig.n. Other articles in this issue leave the exotic field of adranced antemna design and tackle problems in "getting out the equipment."

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# New Concepts in Antenna Research Promise Unusual Control of Radiation Pattern 


#### Abstract

Simultaneous scan through time-domain techniques, and pattern synthesis by logical switching are only two of the promising new approaches to iodiating microwave energy surveyed in this article. In the Nov. 23 issue of Electronic Design these three Hughes antenna experts gave a review of electronic scanning techniques that are fairly far advanced. This article touches on areas just now emerging, or close to emergence from the theoretical stages.


L. A. Gustafson, L. N. Shestag, L. Stark Hughes Aircraft Co.<br>Culver City, Calif.

CONTEMPORARY antenna research is advancing along many lines. Theoretical an-tenna-design information which has been available can be tested with the increasing availability of components that permit electronic control of microwave energy. Many parameters of antenna systems can be controlled, which gives rise to new modulation and beam-stering techniques. Time-modulation techniques are a possibility.

## Time-Domain Techniques <br> For Simultaneous Scan

One of the newest and most important concepts employed in advancing microwave antenna design is that of Time Domain Techniques. ${ }^{1}$ The essence of these so-called four-dimensional systems is the periodic modulation of one or more antenna parameters either to increase informa-tion-handling capacity or to realize unconventional radiation-pattern characteristics. The modulated parameter may be the physical dimensions of the antenna, the energy distribution function over the antenna aperture, the frequency, or even the physical location of the phase center.

When one parameter of an antenna is modulated periodically in time, the signal which the
antenna transmits or receives is modulated with the same periodicity. The resultant signal can be represented as a line spectrum of frequencies centered about the carrier frequency and separated by the modulation frequency. If the power in each spectral line is measured as a function of the direction of arrival, an antenna radiation pattern can be associated with each spectral frequency.
For low sidelobe application, the pattern associated with the carrier frequency is optimized with respect to sidelobe suppression. For simul-taneous-scan operation. the modulation is so chosen that a pencil beam pointing in a slightly different direction is associated with each spectral frequency. This results in a system which "looks" simultaneously in all directions of interest. The virtue of this technique is that it supplies additional pattern control whereby the extreme design and construction tolerances required to achieve low sidelobes with a conventional antenna may be relaxed. In simultaneousscan operation, the data-producing capability of the antenna is greatly increased.

The basic technique of simultaneous scan may be explained from the point of view of Fourier series expansion of periodic functions. When a parameter of the antenna is modulated periodically in time, its radiation pattern will be expressible in the form of such a series. ${ }^{1}$ In particu-
lar, if the modulation is superimposed upon an antenna operating at an rf angular frequency $\omega$, then its complex, time-varying, voltage radiation pattern is expressible in the form of an infinite series of products of a pattern function and a harmonic of the modulation frequency. In the simultaneous-scan technique, each pattern and its beam direction is associated with the harmonic frequency of the term of that pattern in the infinite series.
Simultaneous Scan Uses Linear Array Antenna As an illustration of the technique, consider a linear array of $N$ elements which are sequentially excited by equal rectangular rf pulses cut from a continuous wave. This array excitation is readily expressed in mathematical terms as a series of $N$ contiguous pulses, one for each array element. The excitation envelope would repeat every $N \tau$ seconds, $\tau$ being the pulse width. The radiation from an array with this excitation can be analyzed in terms of its spectral frequency components and may be written as an infinite sum of $\sin u_{n} / u_{n}$ terms. Each $n$ corresponds to the $n^{\text {th }}$ harmonic of the modulation frequency, its pattern function, and the pattern beam direction, $n \ni$, which is measured from broadside.
Thus the scheme gives the desired property of beams pointing simultaneously in various directions, each associated with a detectable frequency component (see Fig. 1). Analogous results



Fig. 1. Time-domain electronic scanning produces beam pointing simultaneously in various directions.


Fig. 2. Sidelobe reduction shown by time-average patterns of square-wave switched array with uniform distribution. The term 1B1 represents the percentage of modulation of length of array.


Fig. 4. Linear Yagis array of end-fire elements. Vertical dimension is within 03 wavelength of the lowest frequency.
are obtained for signal reception, and proper signal processing gives the desired angular information. Pulsed, two-way radar operation is also possible with this technique.
It must be emphasized here that this effective electronic scanning is obtained without the use of phase shifters which must be precisely controlled. Instead, simple on-off switching of the array elements produces the scanning, thus eliminating many perplexing control problems.
For a simple example of sidelobe suppression by modulation of antenna parameters, consider a linear array with excitation uniform in both amplitude and phase. Such an antenna has a radiation pattern which is given by $g(\theta)=2 l_{0}[\sin$ $\left.k l_{0} \sin \theta\right] / k l_{0} \sin \theta$ where $l_{0}$ is the half length of the array. This pattern exhibits a $-13.2-\mathrm{db}$ sidelobe level which can be reduced considerably by modulation of the array length in simple fashion.

Let the half length of this array be modulated such that $l=l_{0}[1+\beta f(t)]$ where $\beta$ represents the percentage modulation of the length. If $f(t)$ is chosen to be a square wave, the time average component of the resultant radiation is the typi-
cal $\sin u / u$, however there is also a multiplicative factor, $\cos \left[k l_{0} \beta \sin \theta\right]$. This term has the effect of reducing the sidelobe level well below - 13.2 db . The extent of this suppression for various values of the percentage modulation $\beta$ is indicated in Fig. 2 For the optimum value, $\beta=0.25$, a $7-\mathrm{db}$ reduction in level is realized. It should be emphasized that the order of magnitude of this reduction is achieved by the simplest form of modulation on an array containing no amplitude taper.

The foregoing analysis is presented only as an indication of the effectiveness of time-domain opcration as a means of sidelobe suppression. By use of the excitation parameter alone, or by a combination of length and excitation modulation, considerably greater suppression can be realized.

## Early-Warning Antennas

## Made Smaller by New Arrays

To detect low-Aying aircraft, the search radar should be operated from high altitude. Compared to ground installation, this extends the distance to the radar's horizon and lowers the minimum
altitude of the beyond-the-horizon propagation. Design objectives are to produce high-gain antennas which physically are small so that drag on the aircraft is small.

Since radar range depends heavily on antennat gain, high-gain antennas are imperative. Unfortunately, efficient generation of extremely highlevel rf power is best accomplished at lower frequencies. Thus, the antenna designer must make his antenna physically large. Airborne Aircraft Early-Warning arrays have, until now, been of the mechanically scanned broadside-beam type. The large volume swept by a rotating array needs a large radome atop or below the fuselage.

Volumetric Arrays. An antenna for Aircraft Early Warning may take one of several forms. Antenna specialists at establishments such as the Naval Research Laboratory, Dalmo Victor, and General Bronze Electronics have been working on volumetric arrays in the form of two-dimensional broadside arrays of end-fire radiators which would more efficiently utilize the space required by presently used antennas. They also seek to make the radome a more integral part of
the volumetric array so as to effect some drag reduction. A final objective of their work is to achieve improved antenna gain from the volume.

Planar Arrays. At Chance Vought and Hughes Aircraft Co. the problem has been approached through the design of planar (flat-slab) arrays which are endwise to the slipstream instead of broadside to it. Integral antenna-radomes of this type have demonstrated the ability to reproduce the electrical characteristics of conventional broadside antennas. The lower drag of these units is expected to improve the radar aircraft performance greatly by increasing time on station. The required surveillance may then be accomplished with fewer operating units.

Design of such low drag antennas places stringent conditions on the end-fire radiators The vertical-plane radiation pattern of the end fire antenna is determined by the $I /$-plane pat tern of the individual end-fire radiators and must be achieved in a minimum length to limit the swing circle of the assembly. Classical end-fire antenna studies indicate that for maximum gain the beamwidth is $63^{\circ} / L, L$ being radiator length in wavelengths, with the first sidelobe approximately -9 db . During a current program at Hughes Aircraft Co. it has been shown, analytically and experimentally, that a combination of amplitude tapering and large inter-element phase shift c n produce practical end-fire arravs with leamwidths in the order of $50 / \sqrt{ }$, and -20 db H-plane sidelobes. Fig. 3 shows a 2.75 -wavelength experimental array of dipoles individually fed according to the results of is mutual coupling analysis. Fig. 4 shows an experimental full-size onc-dimensional array of end-fire radiators which combines the radar low-frequency array with an orthogonally polarized higher frequency IFF antenna. The assembly uses modified Yagi arrays as end-fire elements. The electrical components of this assembly are all contained within a vertical dimension of 0.3 wavelengths at the lowest frequency:

## Pattern Synthesis

## To Control Antenna Radiation

Antenna-pattern synthesis is also an active area in antenna research. It deals with the theoretical derivation of design techniques which are needed for proper control of the angular dependence of antenna radiation.

Recent contributions in this field include:

- the synthesis of optimum-difference patterns for use in monopulse applications
- synthesis of optimum sector beams
- a beam-forming technique useful when different shape requirements must be imposed on various parts of the beam.
The above techniques apply to linear or rectangular aperture antennas. Early this year the

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Fig. 5. Examples of patterns obtained through logical synthesis. Only two simple antennas were used to get these unconventional results.
synthesis of optimum directive patterns by means of circular apertures also appeared in print. ${ }^{2,3}$ A more difficult problem is the synthesis of arbitrary patterns by means of nonplanar antennas. The cone, a surface of considerable importance, has recently been successfully treated.4,5 The problem of optimum excitation of a surface of arbitrary curvature for the highest power on target has also been solved, but under certain restrictive conditions.

Logical Pattern Synthesis. The patterns obtainable through conventional synthesis are limited in quality because of physical restrictions. For example, with an antenna of a given size there is a certain gain figure that cannot be exceeded no matter what aperture excitation is used. On the other hand certain applications require the use of arrays whose effective length is unlimited but in which the inter-element spacing is so large that multiple-angle constructive interference produces secondary beams.

To overcome interference from secondary beams a technique has been developed which uses "logic," in the digital-computer sense, to combine several patterns, compare their signals, and decide which signals to display and which to reject. The several patterns may be obtained from the same antenna, by interconnecting the various elements in prescribed ways, or the patterns may come from several antennas operating side by side. Some of the results of logical pattern synthesis are shown in Fig. 5. The patterns shown are experimental verification of the syn-
thesis theory. As indicated in the illustrations, only two antennas, each with very few elements. were employed, yet the resulting patterns would be unachievable by conventional methods even with the use of many more elements.
Nonlinear Processing. Another synthesis technique for overcoming the dimensional limitations of the antenna applies various linear or nonlinear operations to the individual signals obtained from each element of an array. The nonlinear operations consist mostly of products of the signals derived from single elements or groups of elements Such schemes have been shown to simulate the performance of larger antennas having many more elements. Certain serious difficulties arise however, in the presence of multiple targets, and this type of processing also results in a rather poor signal-to-noise ratio.
Correlation Processing. A procedure which successfully simulates the performance of larger antennas with closely spaced elements and does not suffer the drawbacks of the nonlinear processing is the correlation processing scheme. This type of processing in its simplest form uses a matched filter for a processor and trades signal frequency bandwidth for the physical size of the antenna. The correlating antennas apply, therefore, to wide-band systems. This is not a serious limitation since modern radar systems require large bandwidth for other purposes as well.

Information Theory. The latest synthesis problem to come under study is the application of information theory to the antenna, which is treated


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tremely wide-band antennas started at the University of Illinois and has been carried on and expanded at Collins Radio and Sylvania, as well as at Illinois. The fundamental concepts for radiating elements of this type can be explained in terms of the relationship of dimensions to frequency.

In one approach the shape of the antenna is described essentially by angular relationships, and in another the design is based on logarithmic functions wherein the radiation pattern and impedance vary periodically with the logarithm of the frequency. The variation over a period can be made negligible, and the period can extend over a very large frequency interval. In angular design approach, since the pattern depends on the antenna's shape as a function of frequency and the antenna is essentially angular, the pattern simply rotates with frequency. If the pattern is symmetrical with respect to the rotation axis, it will appear to be frequency insensitive over a range corresponding to the extent of angle variation, which for spiral-type configurations may be many radians. Any antenna of such nature would have a finite size that determines its lower "cutoff" frequency and would perform satisfactorily for all higher frequencies up to the point where the feed point design becomes a limiting factor. Typical bandwidths for these types of antenna range up to $20: 1$.

Some of the recent experimental research done in this area is concerned with the antenna performance obtained when a reflecting surface is used to produce unidirectional radiation patterns. Inother important direction of study makes use of the log-periodic element for devising frequency independent arrays. Extremely broadband high-gain antennas have been realized by this means. More recently, effort has been devoted to the development of radiation pattern expressions for spiral-type elements and the incorporation of these elements in scanning arrays. - -

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# Designing Cavities in the $\mathbf{5 0 0}-\mathrm{Mc}$ Range 

Here are practical equations for designing coaxial and flat plate cavities in the $500-\mathrm{mc}$ range. Dr. Kiriloff compiled these handy tables after a thorough analysis of coaxial, flat plate and transmission line types. The latter is not included because of its limited applicability.


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WO TYPES of cavities of particular usefulness in the $500-\mathrm{mc}$ range are the coaxial $\lambda / 4$ cavity and the flat-plate cavity.
These cavities find practical applications in the construction of frequency multipliers in radar circuits.

The $i / 4$ coaxial cavity is preferable for these particular applications, because:

1. Tuning is easier.
2. Radiation into the space is zero.
3. Bandwidth of the resonance curve is variable depending on the coupling system associated with cavity.
The flat-plate cavity is frequently a satisfactory compromise because it is easier to manufacture and the bandwidth can be made broader.
In designing a coaxial $\lambda / 4$ cavity, it is merely necessary to determine the dimensions shown in Fig. 1, Table I. Length of inner conductor $l$ is determined as a function of frequency: $l=\lambda . / 4$.
[^4]The characteristic impedance, $Z_{o}$, is normally chosen equal to the terminating resistance from Eq. 1, Table I.
The important feature of the cavity is the coupling system associated with the cavity, which determines the loaded $Q, Q_{L}$, bandwidth and loss.
The relation between $Q_{L}$ and unloaded $Q$, $Q_{u n}$, of the cavity is given by Eq. 5, Table I.
The solution to $Q_{L}$ for the coaxial cavity with electrostatic coupling is given by Eq. 6 of Table I.

The values of $Q_{L}$ (and bandwidth) are determined by:

- position of probe (from the closed side of cavity), angle $\theta_{1}$
- load of the coupling system, $R$
- capacity of probe, $C$

General considerations for electrostatic and magnetic couplings for the coaxial cavity are given in Fig. 4.

For electrostatic probes, the variation of $Q_{t}$. and bandwidth as a function of $g_{1}$ is plotted for constant $R$ and $C$. The variation of $Q_{L}$ and bandwidth as a function of $\boldsymbol{R}$ for constant $\boldsymbol{C}$ and $\theta_{1}$ is also given.

For magnetic probes, the variation of $\ell_{t}$ and bandwidth as the function of $\theta_{1}$ for constant $\boldsymbol{R}$ is illustrated.

## Sample Design

illustrates the Procedure
It is convenient to represent the design procedure by a specific example, which illustrates and explains the technique.

As an example, suppose $f=4.51 \mathrm{mc}, l=\hbar .4$ $=6.53 \mathrm{in}$., $2 h=7.5 \mathrm{in}$., $\boldsymbol{Z}_{\text {o }}=52$. ohms. $a=1.5$ in. (II), $b=5.8$ in. (OD).

From Eq. 4, unloaded $Q\left(Q_{u n}\right), \equiv 4,50()$ (assuming silver plated conductors).
From Eq. 6, for the coupling system associated with cavity:

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\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{S}_{1}=2.5 \mathrm{deg} \\
& C \cong 10 \mathrm{pf} \\
& R \cong 100 \mathrm{ohms} \\
& Z_{o}=50 \mathrm{ohms} \\
& \varphi_{l_{l}}=104 \\
& B W \cong 4.3 \mathrm{mc}
\end{aligned}
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The design procedure for the flat-plate cavity is the same as for $\lambda / 4$ coaxial cavity.
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Fig. 3. Diagram of flat-plate cavity.

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quency multipliers in radar circuits. The circuit in Fig. 5 shows an application in the $300-500-\mathrm{mc}$ range, where lumped tuned circuits are not easy to apply. The particular circuit illustrated shows a $h / 4$ coavial cavity doubler-tripler $(2 \times 3)$ conversion going from 75 mc to 450 mc .
A comparison of the flat-line cavity to the coaxial cavity for a doubler-tripler $75-\mathrm{mc}$ to $350-\mathrm{mc}$ application points up their differences. Test results show the following: bandwidth for the coaxial cavity is 4.2 mc ; for the flat-line cavity it is 3.4 mc . Outputs are approximately the same. The coaxial cavity has electrostatic coupling very close to short-circuited end, capacity of coupling $\approx$ 10 pf . load $\sim 100$ ohms. Flat-line cavity has direct coupling very close to short-circuited end. Radiation effect of the flat-line cavity, whole system is $\sim 9$ ohm; $\boldsymbol{R}_{r o}$ of $i . / 4$ cavity is practically z.его. -

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Fig. 4. Effect of electrostatic and magnetic coupling for coaxial cavities.


Fig. 5. Doubler-tripler circuir ( $75-450 \mathrm{mc}$ ) using $\lambda / 4$ cavity.


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Fig. 1. Test set up for measuring magnetic field of periodic permanent magnets
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Texas Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 6000 Lemmon Ave., Dallas 9. Tex.

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Have gain over 50 db
U'sing folded waveguide structures, these X -band traveling-wave amplifiers have saturation gains of more than 50 d . The 307 H has a 100)-kw peak power output (50) w average) with a minimum of 50 kw over an 8.5 - to $9.5-\mathrm{Gc}$ frequency range. It has $54-\mathrm{dh}$ saturation gain and operates with a $38-\mathrm{kv}$ beam voltage. The grid-controlled 30811 has a $15-\mathrm{kw}$ peak power output ( 150 w average), an 8.6- to 9.9-Gc frequency range, and a $53-\mathrm{dh}$ saturation gain. Beam voltage is 24 kv ; the beam can be modulated with a pulse of less than 500 N . Pulse rise times of 10 to $50 \mu$ sec can be achieved. The 308 H weighs 14 lb ; the 307 H weighs 21 lh .

Hughes Aircraft Co., Microwave Tube Div., Marketing Dept., Dept. ED, 11105 Anza Ave., Los Angeles 45, Calif.


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Canoga Corp., Dept. ED. Bor 550. Van Niuss, Calif.
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Strand Labs, Inc., Dept. ED, 294 Centre St., Neuton 58, Mass.

## Accuracy Is Our Policy .

In the New Products description of a Ku-band isolator on page 153 of the Jan. 18 issue, the manufacturer's name was inadvertently omitted. The model IKull8 isolator is made by Raytheon Co., Special Microwave Device Operations, 130 Second Ave., Waltham 54, Mass. It handles $135-\mathrm{kw}$ peak and $100-\mathrm{w}$ average power at frequencies between 16 and 17 Gc . Insertion loss is 0.3 db max; isolation is $13 \mathrm{db} \mathbf{~ m i n}, 20 \mathrm{db}$ max. The $2.44-\mathrm{in}$. long unit, weighing 1.4 lb , has a vswr of 1.06 max. For further information on this Kuband isolator, turn to the Reader-Service card and circle 405.

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For details on TI's S-band amplifiers, write for Bulletin No. DLA-1217. For information on specific applications at all frequencies, contact MARKETING DEPARTMENT.

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## PRDpreviews/reviews/design notes Measuring Microwave Frequencies

Of the four basic microwave measurements, i.e., (1) VSWR (2) Power (3) Attenuation and (4) Frequency, the latter is probably the easiest to determine. There are available, of course. many frequency meters with varying degrees of accuracy. These are generally either tunable cavity-type resonators or devices which urilize a harmonic of a low frequency standard.

Cavity Frequency Meters Cavity-type frequency meters, both coaxial and waveguide, make use of the absorption (reaction) or transmission properties of selectively tuned resonators. In use, the meter is inserted between the signal source and the r-f detector indicator. The reaction or absorption type instrument is tuned to obtain a decrease in power level at the detector and, consequently, is particu larly useful as a search frequency meter The transmission type unit passes only those frequencies within the pass band of the resonant cavity and so is mos convenient for monitoring or filtering purposes.

Of the dozens of frequency meters available from PRD, among the most popular and simplest to use are the


PRD 555-579 Series. They are high precision, direct reading, hermetically sealed, temperature compensated instruments and are particularly useful for laboratory and production line testing or as secondary standards.

At X band frequencies the PRD 559-A or B, which are available in both reaction and transmission types, are accurate to $0.015 \%$ with readout directly in megacycles.

Typical cross sectional views are shown for both coaxial and waveguide resonating cavities in this scrics of precision meters.


UHF Frequency Meter
Another popular and useful meter in the UHF television hand is the PRD 587 -A, which is accurate to $\pm 0.2 \%$. It can be used for alignment of tuned circuits and oscillators in the frequency range of 250 to 1000 megacycles. The direct reading dial has a scale length of 60 inches for easy and accurate read out. For convenience and protection circie 213 on reader-service card
the meter is housed in a metal carrying case with a handle.


Precision Heterodyne Frequency Meter
An instrument that uses the heterodyne principle with a crystal oscillator as its standard is the PRD 504 Precision


Heterodyne Frequency Meter. It has an extended range of 100 to $10 .(0 \mathrm{MM}$ megacycles and is accurate to $0.002 \%$. This versatile and portable instrument is used for laboratory and field testing of transmitters, receivers, and signal generators. A cathode ray tube is provided for zero-beat indication on the front panel.

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## Chart Stamp

## For microwave impedance



This microwave impedance chart stamp, No. RRDP-1, makes a clear, scaled impression of the Smith chart. Designed primarily to stamp notebooks for plotting recrorded data, it obviates pasting in the conventional paper charts.
Radar Design Corp., Dept. EI), Pickard IDrive, Syracuse 11, N.Y.
Price: $\$ 9.50$ each.
Availability: From slock.

## High-Speed Microwave Switch 743

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Gencral Precision Inc., Kearfott Div., 1)(pt. EI), 14844 Oxnard St., Van Nuys, Calif
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Telonic Engincering Corp., Dapt. Ell, Laguna Beach, Calif.

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Marconi Instruments, Dept. ED. 111 Cedar Lane. Englewood, N. J.

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Diameter is 3 in .


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Fig. 2. Synchronous motor in Courier recorder provides excellent speed regulation, avoids brush problems. Spring driven reels obviate take-up motors, brakes, clutches.


DESIGNING magnetic-tape recorders for today's air and space craft can pose unusual challenges. Requirements for minimum size and power consumption are now accompanied by other demands which can complicate the designer's job. Some of these problems and their solutions can be seen in some recorders developed by Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp.'s Drs. R. L. Sink and J. C. Frayne at CEC's Datalab Div.

## Coaxial-Reel Astronaul Recorder

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For example, the recorder in the Mercury "Man-in-Space" capsule (Fig. 1), had to work in a 100 per cent oxygen environment. Hence, all materials had to be tested in oxygen for irritating or objectionable odors, for toxic gases, for oxidation or other chemical effects, and for flash fire or explosion. To contain the ozone emitted, motors had to be sealed in separate aluminum containers.

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## Strain-Gage Pressure Transducer <br> 290

Bulletin 4326, two pages, describes type 4-326 strain-gage pressure transducer. Electrical, mechanical and physical specifications are given. Wiring and dimensional diagrams are included. Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., Transducer Div., 360 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif.

## Miniature Electromanometer System

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## Thermion

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Technical Report No. 4-3-9-A, 9 pages, is entitled "The Thermion: Theory and Practice," by Professor L. F. Eastman. It describes the thermion's applications for testing vacuum-tube thermal conditions and reliability. Chapters include: vac-uum-tube thermal conditions and reliability, description of the thermion and its performance, description of the use of the thermion, and conclusions and recommendations. Graphs, references and a biographical sketch are included. Rescon Electronics Corp., 151 Bear Hill Road, Waltham 54, Mass.

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This four-page data sheet describes types DC-111-A and DC-111-B switch-transistor de-cade-counter modules. Mechanical and electrical specifications and output-capability information are given. Suggested transistor circuits for use with the counters are included. Burroughs Corp., Electronic Tube Div., P.O. Box 1226, Plainfield. N.J.

## Magnetic and Electronic Equipment

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## Tape-to-Tape Converter

 303Brochure 3C, four pages, describes a magnetic tape-to-tape converter designed for missile applications. Modifications for industrial applications are suggested. A block diagram of the instrument is included. Computer Control Co., Inc., 983 Concord St.. Framingham, Mass.

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Brochure No. BX-535, 24 pages, contains 50 illustrations. It covers theory of operation, circuit design information, characteristic curves, and applications of the firm's Beam-X switch. Burroughs Corp., Electronic Tube Div., Plainfield, N.J.

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constant-K type designed for a cut-off frequency of approximately 60 kc . This keeps the audio response substantially flat over a large passband and yields a true measurement of the harmonic content present in the transmitted audio envelope. Some advantage might be obtained in the vif range by replacing the $\mathbf{2} .5-\mathrm{mh}$ choke in the antenna circuit with a vhf choke in order to overcome any loss of impedance by distributed capacity. However, this refinement was not tried since the purpose of the design was to develop a more universal accessory.

The $2.5-\mathrm{mh}$ choke in the antenna circuit is shunted by a $1-\mathrm{K}$ resistor and crystal diode to keep its load constant on both positive and nega-


Fig. 1. Demodulator circuit is used for observing the audio harmonic distortion of am radio transmitters.


Fig. 2. With coaxial transmission lines demodulator circuit can be connected to antenna using a wall outle box and appropriale connectors.

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tive halves of the rf wave. It is important to keep the polarities of the crystals as shown in the schematic. The constant-K filter is designed for a $1-\mathrm{K}$ input and output impedance. Fortunately, standard $2.5-\mathrm{mh}$ chokes fitted very nicely into the filter design. Those used were rated at 250 ma (about 17 ohms de resistance). Actually the current normally passed through them is only a few milliamperes, but these chokes were chosen because their low resistance would result in improved filter characteristics.


## Circuir Couples Directly

## To Antenna

Coupling this device to the transmitter is very simple. For the usual case, a single wire held in the proximity of the transmitter antemna terminal will suffice. Or, depending upon the amount of radio frequency power boing transmitted, a small dipole can be used. In order to read distortion directly on the Hewlett Packard Model 330B, enough rf energy must be fed to the demodulator to obtain at least one volt of audio from the output terminals at the fundamental audio frequency. However, for weaker signals, satisfactory results were achieverd with the Set Balance control adjusted for 1 v on the meter scalle ( 10 per cent) and the audio input control of the analyzer cut back accordingly. The per-cent distortion observed was then multiplied by 10 to obtain the true figure. On this basis, audio output as low as a tenth of a volt would suffice.

For the whf range where coaxial transmission liness are used, a method published in the RC. Field Support Material pamphlet has been used successfully: A moxlified version of this is shown in Fig. 2. A wall outlet bor with a C.C.-5s U' connector at each end was used. A stiff, heavy wire (AllC; \#10) is connected between the center terminals of the L(0.-5 s. Similar wires soldered to the ground sides of the L(C.-5)'s were spaced about $1 / 8 \mathrm{in}$. from the eenter conductor to keep the wswr low. A pick-up loop consisting of a sim ilar wire grounded to the boe at one end was rim parallel to the center conductor and spaced about $1 / 8 \mathrm{in}$. from it for approsimately three quarters of the length of the bex, then terminated in a LCO-290/U connector

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## Voltage Regulated Power Supply

Patent No. 2,932,783. R. D. Mohler. (Assigned to Motorola, Inc.)
A voltage regulator having a Zener diode reference is usually nonlinear due to the diode internal resistance. It is possible to compensate for the variation in
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TWT and Method of Manufacture Patent No. 2,943,228. B. Kleinman. (Assigned to RCA)
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Patent No. 2,959,778. W. E. Bradley (Assigned to Philco Corp.)
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## Electromagnetic Fields, Energy, and Forces

Robert M. Fano, Lan Jen Chu, and Richard B. Adler, John Wiley d. Sons, Inc., 44) Fourth Ave., Neu York 16, N. Y., 520 $\mathrm{mp}, \mathrm{sl2}$.

Written as a textloook for third-year electrical engineering courses at Massachusetts Institute of Technology this book develops a consistent macroscopic theory of electromagnetism and discusses the relation between circuit theory and field theory: It covers the electromagnetism of moving bodies and the process of electromechanical energy conversion. It emphasize, the synthesis of fields as opposed to the analysis of fields and introduces a power series technique for analyzing guasi-stattic fields and quasi-staltionary systems.
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Arc-inhibiting devices are circuits that absorb the energy induced by an inductor when the current through the inductor is interrupted. The induced emf assumes a polarity such that current flow will keep the relay energized over the period required for the energy to be absorbed by the device. The answer is $\mathbf{B}$.

## WHAT DOES THIS MEAN IN TERNS OF RELAY CIRCLIT DESIGN?

It means that when an are-inhibiting device is used across a relay motor coil, consideration must be given to its effect on switching time as well as its ability to absorb energy. To eliminate all arcing, contact voltages must be kept below 12 volts, but of course, no device should be used that will clip or dissipate the coil voltage. The more energy that is absorbed by the device, the longer the contact life.

In the following comparison of the devices shown in the illustration, the components were selected to limit the induced emf in a 28 -volt subminiature relay motor coil and also to fit within a subminiature relay housing.

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| Capacitur shunt | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \mathrm{mld} \\ & (1.2 .2 \mathrm{mfd} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 10 \\ 120 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4.0 \\ & 0.0 .5 \end{aligned}$ | Cood trut large and expensive lor high temperature use. |
| Zener <br> dindes (2) | 50 volts | 190 | 0.2 | Must be rated above coil volt. age: expensive. |
| 'aristor shunt | $\begin{gathered} \text { Cluhar } \\ \text { a } 3: 1 \mathrm{BNil} .35 \end{gathered}$ | 61 | 1.2 | Cood; resistance must be high near coil voltage; may have high temperature problems. |
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Fig. 1. Imperfections of "ideal" switching devices: (a) leakage with switch open" (b) non-zero switch impedance (c) contact potentials with switch closed (d) coupling from control circuit to switched branch shown as with relay circuits.

## as Switches

teristics indicated by the heavy lines of Fig. 2. Operation imperfections arise because these lines do not coincide with the coordinate axes. The simplified equivalent circuit of Fig. 3 may be used to deduce the static performance of the switching transistor.

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Fig. 2. Static characteristics.


Fig. 3. Simplified equivalent circuit for static conditions.

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Fig. 4. Definition of normal and inverse parameters.

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& \mathrm{I}^{\prime}=\frac{a_{1}}{\alpha_{n}} \cdot \frac{1-a_{n}}{1-a_{1} a_{n}}{ }^{1}{ }_{c o} \\
& E^{\prime}=v_{T} \ln \left[\alpha_{n} \frac{1-\frac{1_{e}}{1_{b}} \frac{1-a_{1}}{a_{l}}}{1+\frac{1_{e}}{1_{b}}\left(1-a_{n}\right)}\right.
\end{aligned}
$$

Fig. 5. Grounded emitter (e) and grounded collector (f) configurations.
there appears the series resistance $r_{c}+r_{0}$ and a "contact" potential $E^{\prime}+I_{\Delta} r_{e}$, where $E^{\prime}$ depends on $I_{c}$ and $I_{0}$. When the positions of the emitter and collector are reversed, ${ }^{\prime} I^{\prime}$ and $E^{\prime}$ are markedly smaller. The relevant transistor parameters, ${ }^{\bullet}$ R. L. Bright, Communications \& Electronics, 1955, pp 11-121.

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Fig. 6. Time dependence of currents and charge during a switch ing cycle.
as well as the two configurations, are shown in Figs. 4 and 5. Typical values are:

For Fig. 5e: $E^{\prime}=5.8 \mathrm{mv} \quad l^{\prime}=4.6 \mu \mathrm{a}$ For Fig. 5f: $E^{\prime}=0.5 \mathrm{mv} \quad l^{\prime}=0.5 \mu \mathrm{a}$ The dynamic behavior of the switch is characterized by the time delay necessary for the required change in base charge to take place. Fig. 6 indicates the effect of a change in the base current waveform on the collector current. The base charge consists of two components, $Q_{1}$ and $Q_{2}$, the latter arising when $I_{b 1}>I_{b m i n}$ where
$I_{o_{\text {min }}}=\left(1-\alpha_{N}\right) I_{\text {cmax }}$
It can be shown, referring to Fig. 5, that

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\begin{gathered}
t_{1,2}=\frac{I_{\mathrm{emaz}}}{I_{\mathrm{b} 1,2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\omega_{\mathrm{N}}} \\
t_{*} \approx \frac{I_{\mathrm{b} 1}-I_{\mathrm{bmin}}}{I_{\mathrm{b} 2} \omega_{\mathrm{N}}} \cdot \frac{1-\omega_{\mathrm{N}}^{\prime} \omega_{1}}{1-\alpha_{\mathrm{N}} \alpha_{I}}
\end{gathered}
$$

where $\omega_{N}$ and $\omega_{1}$ are the upper radian cutoff frequencies of the transistor in the normal inverse states respectively. For a typical transistor

$$
\begin{aligned}
\alpha_{N} & =0.98 \\
\alpha \ell & =0.8 \\
\omega_{N} & =30 \star I=30 \times 10^{6} \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec} \\
I_{\mathrm{b}} & =I_{\mathrm{b} 2}=I_{e m a s}=10 \mathrm{ma} \\
t_{1} & =t_{2}=0.03 \mu \mathrm{sec} \\
t_{\mathrm{a}} & =0.6 \mu \mathrm{sec}
\end{aligned}
$$

These formulas lead to shorter switching times than can be realized practically Moreover, thermal instability can be caused by the interaction of thermal and electrical values.

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Early in 1953 I conceived the idea of using this same basic scheme for dc motor commutation, but employing transistors. In June, 1953, a finalized concept of such a motor was recorded by me and successful working models reduced to practice in January of 1954.

The original motor is generically identical to that shown in your photograph on p 37 , invention of which you have credited to a Dr. Harry Stockman. This structure incidentally is covered in U.S. patent No. 2,719,944 issued in 1955. Further development along this line has been carried out by me and several additional patents on these motors have been issued and or are pending. We have had in production a transistorized motor known as "Type TR" for several years.

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## ... And a Reply

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Harry E. Stockman Waltham, Mass.

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After reading the excellent series of articles, "Designing for Maintainability" in the Oct. 26, 1960, issue, I am wondering if you could let us have another collection of these articles. I would like to circulate them among engineers in our electronics department.
N. G. Dennis

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## Stanley Becker

Airborne Instruments Laboratory
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Automatic Electric Co. Northlake, Ill.

## Factorial Experimentation Growing

An item appearing on p 26 of the Nov. 23, 1960, issue of Electronic Design caught my eye. [The news story referred to stated that the Fort Huachuca experiments will be one of the first engineering applications of factorial design.] Factorial designs have been fruitfully used for more than 10 years. I wrote my thesis on industrial and design engineering applications of factorial designs.
Dr. Martin Brumbough used factorials in the early '30s at Colonial Radio-now Sylvania. Dr. Harry Romig at Bell Telephone (now with Operations Research Inc.) used factorials in the early '20s. The Navy, with Dr. William Pabst, used factorial experiments in ordnance work in the '40s-on design applications and tests.

What's so new? In fact, though this method is not outmoded, we are using more advanced techniques such as Random Balance Experimentation, Multivariate Analysis, Monte Carlo, Queuing Theory, etc., on current work as a normal, everyday part of the design task. We have an Air Force contract to determine applicability of these techniques to the art of prediction.

A four-factor experiment involving four variables will result in erroneous data and, in my opinion, is a very dangerous one to have our Army rely on. The effect of the fifth factor is most significant. The statistical design, from what you report, seems to have a lot to be desired.

Please understand that we are pleased that the U. S. Army is using factorials. I only wanted to point out that others have for long periods of time used statistically designed experiments.

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# Cutting Your Reading Time in Half 

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Today, more than ever before, it is your responsibility to be a critical reader. Here are some steps to take that will give you a sound basis for evaluation of any practical prose, and a summation of what has gone before.

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OU READ practical prose in the first place for information. But if your reading is to be useful to you, if you are to read efficiently, you must evaluate what you read, accepting only the statements that stand up under inspection and comparison. To al degree, everyone reads critically, if only when he decides if he likes or dislikes a selection.

Critical reading first requires a healthy skepticism towards the printed word, so that your mind can be free for the assessment of any statement you meet. No statement has authority simply because it has been printed; any authority it has is gained by passing the tests of reason and comparison. No precise formula or recipe can be given for evaluation of a selection, but there are two steps you can take that will give you a sound basis for evaluation of any practical prose. First, make a running analysis of a selection as you read it; second, make a comparative analysis of a selection after you have read it.
Full comprehension of a selection is mandatory for critical reading of it, and of course all the reading skills should be employed to that end. Two skills in particular will help you make a running analysis of a selection: understanding of techniques of paragraph development and reading with questions in mind.
In making a running analysis, you should dif-
ferentiate between an author's reports and his cvaluations. A report is an account of an event as it happened. There is the first-hand report made by a person who has actually witnessed an event; and there is a second-hand or hearsay report that is based on the first-hand reports of others.

An evaluation is a judgment inferred from first- and second-hand reports. An evaluation can appear by itself, or can be thoroughly mixed into parts of is report. It is possible, of course, for a writer to have all the facts right and still draw the wrong conclusions.

Confusion between reports and evaluations is easy, therefore, and must be avoided by the reader. Here is where a healthy skepticism about the printed word, plus an understanding of paragraph development and reading with questions in mind, will help you test the strength and validity of an author's thesis, purpose and evidence. Extensive use of marginal notes, especially when you wish to distinguish reports from evaluations, will facilitate running analysis and subsequent comparative analysis.

This series has presented the basic techniques of efficient reading. The over-all target is to practice these techniques until they have become habits.
The technique presented in this series may be briefly summarized as follows:

1. Pre-reading. Use this technique to get a systematic overview of any article or book of practical prose.
2. Questioning and anticipating. Use pre-reading as the basis for addressing specific questions to your author and to anticipate the steps of his discussion. Use questioning and anticipating as an aid to concentration as well as comprehension.
3. Summarizing. Use pre-reading and the question technique as bases for summarizing all important articles and books. Pre-reading gives
the basic outline of a complete summary. The question technique aids in filling in the outline. 4. Skipping and Skimming. After pre-reading, decide what may be skipped, what need only be skimmed, what needs a thorough reading.
4. Critical reading. Use pre-reading as an aid to critical reading. Find out ahead of time what conclusions the author is going to draw in his article. Critically evaluate the steps he takes to get there as you read along.
5. Self-pacing. Get in the habit of constantly improving your reading rate by pressing against the very limits of your current capacity for a few minutes every day. Time yourself every now and then to see how you are doing.
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We hope that this series of articles has done for you what it has for thousands of others. There is nothing dramatically new in what we have told you and for that very reason many people tend to overlook its value. The techniques sound simple enough, but there is no surer way to replace bad reading habits than to practice in the use of these new skills. Ten minutes of practice each day for a few weeks can save you countless hours in the future, and at the same time sharpen your perception of the written word, making you not only a skilled reader, but also, in the larger concept, a more efficient and successful individual. - -

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## YOUR CAREER

## NEWS AND NOTES

Financial help in advanced studies at Hughes Aircraft Co., Culver City, Calif., has enabled 600 engineers to obtain their master's or Ph.D. degrees in the past 11 years, the company states. The program provides financial aid to Hughes engineers working for advanced degrees while they continue to work on research projects at Hughes.

Two Hughes engineers cited as men who took advantage of the program and now have important positions in the company were Dr. Leo Stoolman and Dr. Warren E. Mathews. Dr. Stoolman started working for his doctorate at California Institute of Technology in 1949 and received it four years later. He is now manager of the Aerospace Vehicles Laboratory, Hughes Research and Development Laboratories. Dr. Mathews started at Cal Tech in 1950 and received his doctorate three years later. Dr. Mathews is now assistant director of the laboratory and manager of the Infrared Laboratory.
This year, Hughes will award 24 fellowships for doctoral candidates and 132 for master's candidates.

Younger engineers are more active in obtaining patents, according to a study of 4,415 Purdue University graduates. The study showed that the greatest number of patents were granted within the first ten years after graduation.

One of the things an engineer dreads is answering a "blind ad"-one of those glowing accounts of a job opportunity that sounds ideal until one discovers that "Box XYZ" is his own company.
An engineer who has since mended his ways provides us, rather than his psychiatrist, with this switch on the old trap:
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## CAREER NEWS

Engineering education was cited as an important part of any national program to cut engineering lead time in a recently published survey, "Ideas, Inertia and Achievement." Conducted by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the survey presents the views of 88 corporations and research institutions in the United States and Western Europe.
Two qualities are necessary in an engineer if he is to help his country overcome the time lag between a scientific discovery and its first engineering utilization, according to Gordon S . Brown, MIT dean of engineering, in one section of the survey.
One is the ability to point out deficiencies in existing devices. The other is sufficient depth of fundamental training to be able to do something about the deficiencies.
To provide graduates with the needed training, MIT is in the midst of a five-year revamping of its engineering curriculum. The result will be an updating of both the professors and the laboratories, according to Dr. Brown. To develop both sides of the above-mentioned qualities in students, MIT will emphasize both a basic sciences education and an exposure to the latest engineering advances.
A combined engineering-medical doctor educational program at the master's degree level that has been established at the Drexel Institute of Technology, Philadelphia, was described by Dr. James G. Hilton. director, Laboratory for Endocrine Research, Dept. of Medicine, St. Luke's Hospital, New York City.

Engineers will study biology and physiology; physicians in turn will take concentrated courses in mathematics, electronic and mechanical engineering. The two groups will then continue with a joint program in advanced engineering subjects. A key part of the program will be the joint research on which both doctors and engineers will cooperate.
The University of Nebraska is starting a smallscale program very similar to the Drexel program, Dr. Hilton added, and Johns Hopkins University has worked out a curriculum for a fouryear program for a doctorate in biomedical engineering. The last program, however, is for engineers only.

Computer abstracts on 3 -in. by 5 -in. filing cards will be soon available at costs from $\$ 30$ per category to $\$ 250$ for all categories from Cambridge Communications, 238 Main St., Cambridge 42 , Mass. These are the same abstracts which have been published by the Institute of Radio Engineers in the proceedings of the professional group on electronic computers.

Management and engineers don't agree on the question of the professional status of engineers. The results of a survey of 295 engineers and 55 managers in six major industries, including electronics, just published by the Professional Engineers Conference Board for Industry, Inc., Wash ington, D.C., show that while engineers think they are not being treated professionally, their managers think they are.
For example, the survey indicated that 90 per cent of the managers regarded the engineers as among those employes in their company who were making the most valuable contributions. Meanwhile, less than half the engineers thought they were so regarded.

Particularly interesting in the survey was the difference between the attitudes of engineers in those companies which encouraged engineering professionalism and those which did not. Fortyfour per cent of the engineers in the "pro-engi-neering-professionalism" companies agreed that their management really believed in the professional status of the engineers. Only 7 per cent of the engineers in the "other" type of company agreed with this.
Instcad, 53 per cent of the engineers in the second type of company said that engineers were a "sort of commodity-let go quickly if business is poor." Only 17 per cent of the engineers in the "pro-professionalism" companies held this view.
Engineers in both types of companies were against unions, the report showed, but the antiunion feeling was much stronger among the engineers in the first type of firm.

Among things which engineers feel they can do to increase their professional stature were:

- Increase their communication skill (so that they can articulate their desires to management as well as be more useful on the job).
- Increase their technical abilities.
- Increase their integration with broad company objectives.

The survey indicated that many engineers have higher personal aspirations than most managers appreciate. The engineers' satisfactions come from creative, challenging work. (Their dissatisfactions come from low pay and slow salary progression.)

Two criteria for professionalism rated highly by the engineers were, "becoming more like lay lawyers and doctors," and "being utilized as full professionals, not as technicians." The managers on the other hand thought that technical competence and a high standard of ethics were important to engineering professionalism.

Primary objective of the study was to find out what engineers and managers mean by the term "engineering professionalism" and how each group thinks it can be best advanced.

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## CAREER NEWS

"Military electronics continues to be the most bullish area for executives and the demand will be greater in '61," according to J. H. Higgins, head of the electronics division, Cadillac Associates, Inc., Chicago employment agency.

A vice president of personnel for a West Coast electronics firm recently told Higgins that he can't keep up with the requests for personnel by department heads in his firm. The West Coast vice president said that he may place 10 men then get an order for 250 more engineers.

Mr. Higgins commented that many companies are missing out on valuable manpower by being too specific in their job experience requirements, but at the same time many engineers are being too specific in their selection of geographic areas and types of jobs.

Better career selection will result from a common program for all freshman and sophomore engineering students, Cornell University predicted recently. In explaining why students entering Cornell's engineering school in the fall of this year will go through a uniform program of basic studies for their first two years, Prof. Dale R. Corson, dean of the college of engineering, said this will help the student to learn something about the engineering fields available before making his selection. After he selects his degree field at the end of his sophomore year, the student will specialize in that field for the next three years. (Cornell adopted a five-year undergraduate engineering program in 1946.)

In addition to the basic studies in mathematics, physics, chemistry, and English, Cornell hopes to develop the student's talents for applying fundamentals, Corson said.

Scientists are not as excited about the classical concepts of professional freedom as they were once thought to be, according to a survey of 57 researchers working at one large midwestern university.

Some key questions, with a breakdown of answers given, show the trend:

- Should a scientist be free to choose his own projects? Only 47 per cent thought so.
- Should scientific judgment be suspended until all the facts are in? Twelve per cent believed it should.
- Should there be free access to all scientific information? Only 20 per cent felt there should.
One "pure" scientist uncovered by the survey was asked what he thought "freedom" meant,
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"I have known Mr. Pask for a number of years; I have known his teaching machine for quite a time, and I have even been taught by it. For a long time I tried to understand its mysteries from Mr. Pask's patient explanations, and have failed. Now I have read his paper six times, and only last time, this very morning, did I begin to understand what it was all about.
"After struggling hard over the diagrams for a long time I had begun to conclude that the whole system was based on the theory that the learning power of the human brain is bound up with the random connections between cells. I wondered whether Mr. Pask has wired up his machine at random and had then allowed a process of Darwinian selection to take place (among the elements), the unfit being those that burst into flames on plugging it in. . . ."
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