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## Editorial

## Salaries up; but how about recruits?

Beginning engineering salaries any up about 10% over last year, according to an exhaustive survey by the staff of ELECTRONIC WEEK, reported in that publication Oct. 1. Yet, the survey also showed that there is little comfort to be gained from this fact by those who look for ways of increasing the enrollment of students in the engineering profession.

The survey also tends to point up an apparent danger in comparatively high engineering salaries. Less and less engineering graduates are staying on for graduate work in their profession. The high salary inducements seem to be the cause. Yet, graduates with master's degrees get on the average 20% more than those with bachelor's degrees. PhD graduates get 20% more. Perhaps the Soviet practice of a 10 or 15 fold increase for men with advanced study is a possibility. Dr. F. E. Terman of Stanford suggested that it might be important.

We might ask ourselves whether the salary matter is really the real crux of the problem. For the ELECTRONIC WEEK survey shows that graduates of engineering programs ranked type of work first in importance in taking their first job. Salary came third after such other inducements as company reputation, advancement possibilities and plant location.

In this column last issue we pointed up the low repute of the technical profession as seen by a large segment of our population.

It might be surmised that something is wrong with engineering jobs per se that make them generally unattractive -that something is lacking which makes engineering seem less professional. There is certainly still room for our profession to grow up. Improved professional working conditions, greater company status for engineers, a higher degree of delegated responsibility and authority to those in the profession, as well as top salaries, are all important-and they can't come too soon if we are to maintain our engineering leadership among the nations of the world.-E.T.E.

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## **Engineering Review**

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#### **Radical Ceramic Tubes Operate at 800 Degrees**

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Possibly destined to supersede transistors in many high-temperature applications, a radically new type of vacuum tube developed by General Electric has been publicly demonstrated. The intriguing new circuit element is essentially an ordinary vacuum tube dressed in a super rugged package. Continuous operation at ambient temperatures up to 800 degrees Centigrade has been exhaustively tested.

Unique properties of the revolutionary ceramic tube include increased efficiency as temperature increases, no need for filament power (full-dress transistor competition) and built-in grid bias.

Extremely simple circuits can be synthesized with the device, which has titanium grids and



After 800 C oven treatment ordinary electronic components melt. New ceramic devices are intact.

anode. Neither filament source nor grid bias source is required in a conventional amplifier. The normal ceramic tube has a positive contact potential of about 2 volts, corresponding to a circuit grid bias of minus 2 volts.

Another good feature of the high-temperature tube is its high transconductance per milliampere, higher than has been practicable heretofore in conventional vacuum tubes. Typical values lie around 6000 at one ma. Grid emission is negligible.

Development credit for the useful device goes to the staff of James E. Beggs, of the GE Electron Physics Research Department in Schenectady, N. Y.

Companion resistors, capacitors, and ceramic boards have been developed by GE, so that complete high temperature circuits are now possible.



New resistors operate at heat level sufficient to light cigarette.



Shown here is a complete 3 stage circuit using all hightemperature components. The pancakes are tubes.



Shown above is a complete nuclear reactor installation. Extreme safety is built in.

#### Mass Produced Home-Style Nuclear Reactors

Quantity production of small, portable, self-contained nuclear reactors to sell for less than 100 thousand dollars has begun by Aerojet-General Nucleonics of San Ramon, California. By use of a unique method of core fabrication with radiation stabilized polyethylene moderator, the reactor resembles a liquid homogeneous reactor but actually has a solid homogeneous core.

The important feature, however is that the requirement for critical mass is approximately 600 grams of Uranium 235 of 20% enrichment, which is less than any other known reactor. Of further significance is the fact that the solid core locks in the fission products with four seals, eliminating the problem of waste disposal and preventing the escape of radioactive contaminants. Under normal operating conditions the core life will exceed 300 years.

Along with the normal reactor safety interlocks a thermal safety fuse built into the core enhances overall reactor safety. Reactor control rods are actuated from a control console which also provides continuous reactor monitoring. Every possible effort has been exerted to make the new midget the safest mass-produced reactor available. It is hoped by Aerojet that schools, small industries, and various other low-budget customers will develop for the device, designated Model AGN-201.



## ENGINEERING NEWS #1



#### SOLVE SPACE AND WIRING PROBLEMS with Switch/Light Combinations

You probably use these Hetherington Switch/Light combinations every time you travel via leading air lines. Here they are used as hostess call lights. As you may have suspected, however, this is just the beginning of their usefulness-both in aircraft as well as in commercial instrumentation and control uses. Their unique combination of single- or double-pole switching action together with an illuminating push button offers definite advantages in terms of greatly reduced panel space and the elimination of switch-to-light wiring. Usually the entire assembly takes no more space than a conventional switch alone.

Of particular importance for many applications, Hetherington Switch/Light combinations make it easier for operators to keep closer tabs on crowded panels without confusing control functions. By connecting the light to an externally controlled circuit the illuminated button virtually cries, "Push  $Me_s$ " to attract the operator's attention at the right time. In other models, lamp circuits are controlled by the main switch contacts or by a second set of auxiliary contacts.

Typical contact ratings are 15 amps at 30 volts ac-dc. Illuminated buttons can be made in virtually any color, shape or size.

#### HERE'S EXTRA SAFETY FOR WARNING LIGHT APPLICATIONS

JUST "PRESS TO TEST"



Ever wonder whether a warning light for a critical circuit was merely OFF or whether the bulb was burned-out?

If so, you'll appreciate the "Pressto-Test" feature of this tiny Hetherington Type L3200 light.

The lamp and its circuit can be "checked-out" simply by pressing on the spring-mounted plastic lens cap. This makes contact through a separate third terminal circuit. When cap is released, the lamp functions through the regular circuit.

The long plastic lens of the L3200 gives wide, 180-degree visibility with either standard or edge-lit panels. Uses AN3140 lamps. For more details, write for Bulletin L-2b.

#### BETTER SWITCHES FOR BETTER APPLIANCES

A good electrical product deserves a good switch—and for types in the 5 to 50 ampere range that means Hetherington. Sturdy, good-looking switches —both push button, toggle, rotary, and other types—for unique operating or mounting requirements have long been a Hetherington specialty. Chances are, Hetherington switch engineers can recommend something out-of-the-ordinary that will enhance the appearance and saleability of your electrical products while assuring long, happy switch performance.

#### NEW PUSH BUTTON SWITCHES FOR AVIATION'S TOUGHEST JOBS . . . Designed to MIL-S-6743 Specs



Designed to MIL-S-6743 drawing MS25089. these rugged, fully moisture-proofed snap action switches take a full 50 G shock and wide-amplitude vibrations up to 55 cps without contact transfer.

The basic switch can be fitted with any of eight different anodized aluminum mounting adapters, such as those illustrated, to meet virtually any mounting or design requirement. Two-circuit, three-terminal, SP-DT, and other contact arrangements are available with ratings up to 10 amps, 28 volts dc. Ask for details on Hetherington Series W100.

Similar switches for non-MIL and industrial applications are available in over 1800 different types as Hetherington Series "JR."

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#### Hollywood Adopts Television Techniques

To make movies more like TV, Hollywood has accepted a standard television production technique, and Paramount will soon start shooting production movies with the new setup. The new DuMont system, called "Electronicam," unites a Mitchell 85 mm motion picture camera with a DuMont imagorthicon TV camera, using a common optical system so that parrallax is eliminated and an identical picture goes to each unit. A whole new power of vision is thus provided to the cameraman through his electronic viewfinder, and to the director and his entire production team through monitors. For the first time, they see instantaneously and exactly what is going to the camera without waiting for the following day's rushes.

Two functional trailers contain all the cameras and related equipment necessary to operate "Electronicam." One of the trailers normally remains outside the sound stage. This 32 foot vehicle contains the major part of the electronic gear for the cameras, monitors and control panels operated inside the stage, plus an audio recorder and kinescope recorder. The 18 foot smaller trailer functions as the control and communications center and gives a full range of vision through its glass side and top. It has five 17 inch monitors, including one on which the director can preview the results of special effects which are produced electronically.

#### World's Smallest 450 MC Transceiver

General Electric Company, Syracuse, N.Y., has announced that because of the widening use of Citizens Band Radio by commercial enterprises, it is introducing a new 450 mc, two-way radio unit which will be included as a standard item in the company's flexible and interchangeable Progress Line.

Industry's smallest 450 mc unit by cubic measurement, it will fit in a standard 14-inch Progress Line case, built for both trunk and front-mounting. The radio will be available with either automatic frequency control or temperature-controlled heated crystals.



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Business aircraft owners and operators will welcome a new 50-pound weather radar developed by RCA. The lightweight airborne system can see up to 50 miles so that a business aircraft pilot may change his course in time to avoid a storm.

Heavier, long-range weather radar systems have been in operation for some time on larger aircraft. The new AVQ-50 has been designed specifically, however, for small business and private airplanes.

Added features include a range switching control to enable the pilot to view a portion of a storm closeup plus provisions for tilting the antenna so that terrain mapping operations can be carried out aloft.

#### **TWA Gets Electronic Reservations**

Trans World Airlines will install the first coast-tocoast electronic reservations network to be used by any airline next fall. According to E. O. Cooke, TWA Senior VP of Sales, and John H. Clemson, VP of Passenger Service, the new system will keep track of the availability of all seats on TWA domestic flights for 31 days and overseas flights for up to six months in advance. This information will be instantly and simultaneously accessible to TWA customers through several hundred agents in cities across the country.

Called Magnetronic Reservisor because of its unique combination of a magnetic drum for storing information and electronic means of transmitting it, the system was designed to TWA's specifications by the Teleregister Corporation, a subsidiary of Ogden Corporation. While other airlines have used electronic reservations systems in large metropolitan centers, this is the only interconnected, countrywide system yet announced.

#### Transistorized Image-Orthicon TV Camera

Specifically for the military, RCA has developed a portable, small-sized, light weight, fully transistorized image-orthicon TV camera for on-air or closed circuit telecasting. Especially suited for high sensitivity applications under conditions of low light levels, the completely self-contained camera requires only a 50 w dc source of power, normally available from standard military aircraft and vehicles.

With a weight of but 31 pounds, a case of  $6 \times 9 \times 20$  in. houses such normally external components as tube power supply, sync generator, and video amplifier. The unit can be supported on a lightweight photographic tripod, eliminating the gross pedestals usually required. The camera can be used as a direct placement for conventional image-orthicon cametas now used in military applications. Built-in report of controls permit camera operation from up to 140 feet away.

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I his miniaturized 14-channel oscillograph has been subjected to extremely high shock accelerations and by the use of shock-delay techniques, has recorded all data associated with them. Some of its many features are —  $3\%'' \ge 50$  foot record capacity • 3% to 8 inches per second recording speeds • ability to record while subjected to constant accelerations of 20 gravities •  $5\% \ge 7\%$  inches overall dimensions • operated from 28 volt dc power sources.

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Note the space-saving compact design of this 150 volt DC 5 amperes Sola power supply for computer circuits. Panel height is only 7".

## chooses Sangamo Capacitors for Germanium Power Supplies

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voltage. No further need for heavy, bulky choke components with their substantial and often-varying load voltage drops.

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The Sangamo DCM Electrolytic Capacitor is housed in a seamless, drawn aluminum container with gasket-sealed molded alkyd resin base thermosetting plastic cover. Detail of cover construction insures minimum contact resistance in current carrying members and provides an adequate safety vent in case of heavy overload.

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#### Oil Industry Uses Electronic Computer

To solve complex oil and gas industry problems, an ALWAC computer, man ufactured by Logistics Research Inc. Redondo Beach, California, was in stalled at the Southwestern Computing Center, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Reported applications now include: oil explorations and other research calculations, simulating refining operations, oil production, blending, data reduction, evaluation of elaborate integrals, solution of differential equations, matrix calculations, tanker and pipeline scheduling, truck routing, market analysis, profit per product information, payroll and accounting.

#### Industrial Uses of Radioisotopes

According to a survey by the Atomic Industrial Forum, 260 Madison Ave., New York 16, New York, the number of industrial users of radioactive isotopes has increased more than 500 per cent during the past 5 years.

Radioactive materials supplied by the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission are being used for gaging and control operations in the manufacture of a wide variety of consumer products. Some firms are using nuclear by-products in radiation inspection of welds and castings and in other metal working operations. These and other radioisotope applications now mean an annual savings to industry of \$200 million annually.

#### Shorter TV Picture Tubes Predicted

Dr. W. R. G. Baker, a GE V. P. and president of RETMA, indicated recently that a new picture tube with an opening angle of 110 deg, an increase of 20 deg over present models, will come into extensive use next year. At the same time, the picture tube will be made shorter, permitting a depth reduction in cabinet width of 4 to 5 in.

The industry produced 50,000 sets in the 15 in. size and smaller during the first 6 months of 1955. By comparison, Dr. Baker added, more than 326,-000 were built in the first 6 months of this year.

He also predicted that the future, completely transistorized TV receiver will be powered by its own self-contained battery.

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With its first TV station, Call Letters TCN, scheduled to start telecasting regular commercial programs from Sydney on Sept. 15th, Australia can anticipate a boom market for TV receivers. Two other TV stations in Sydney and three in Melbourne are in varving stages of construction.

Two of the Melbourne stations are expected to be operating in time to telecast the Olympic games to be held there in November.

Provision has been made for 96 vhf stations and 50 uhf outlets, although the uhf band may not be in use for some time. Eventually, every town with a population of over 5000 will have two TV stations.

#### **Picture-Phone System Uses Telephone** Wires

An experimental telephone system which transmits by wire pictures along with sound has operated between New York and Los Angeles, according to Bell Telephone Laboratories.

Experimental pictures vary in size from  $1 \ge 1-1/2$  in. to  $2 \ge 3$  in. and are viewed at about 2 ft away. Unlike TV, a new picture is displayed every 2 secs. The image, transmitted over standard low-frequency telephone channels and requiring only the natural daylight or moderate amounts of artificial light, has good black and white contrast. Head and shoulders can be seen and facial expressions are readily apparent.

#### **UHF Scatter Transmission**

Under contract to ARDC's Rome Air Development Center, the Westinghouse Electric Corporation's Electronics Division, Baltimore, Md., is operating an over-the-horizon UHF tropospheric scatter transmission system between locations at Verona, N.Y., and Baltimore, Md. The study is in the bands of 900 mc and 2000 mc. The data resulting from this study

will make it possible to determine scatter transmission system performince in terms of signal attenuations, fiding limits, and bandwidth capabili y as well as practical antenna sizes for maximum gain and diversity conderations.

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#### Water-Cooled Germanium Rectifier Unit Revealed

Development of a direct water-cooled germanium power rectifier was announced at the Fall General Meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers in the Morrison Hotel in Chicago. "Major improvements in the design of this rectifier," R. E. Wahl, of the Lynn, Mass., branch of GE, told a symposium on metallic rectifiers, "are ease of cell replacements, reduction of cost per kilowatt output and inertness to chemical atmospheres."

Some of the transformerless units have almost 10 kw output per cubic foot of volume occupied and up to 60 kw per square foot of floor space required. The units incorporating transformers show smaller kilowatts per cubic foot and per square foot. Protection against chemical atmospheres is provided for the germanium rectifier cells by hermetic sealing which is part of the basic structure of the cell.

Mr. Wahl observed that development of watercooled rectifiers followed development of hermetically sealed units.

#### **Texas Instruments Will Pay Tuition**

An educational assistance program has been announced by Texas Instruments Incorporated, electronics and geophysics firm. TI has over 4000 employees eligible for the plan.

Under the plan, the company will repay 90% of the cost of tuition, textbooks, and registration and laboratory fees upon successful completion of approved courses. The program will be administered by an Educational Assistance Committee within the TI company organization. Basic requirement in securing company financial aid is that the course have a general relationship to the employee's work with Texas Instruments.

#### Large Mill Combines Card Program With Transistorized Memory Unit

A new reversing roughing mill now being completed for Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation's Aliquippa Works is expected to be the steel industry's first completely automatic card-programmed rolling mill. Its control system, developed by Westinghouse, will permit an operator to initiate a detailed rolling schedule by pressing a push button. By selecting the proper card from several prepunched for each schedule, it will be possible to attain a definite set of reductions while allowing for variations in temperature and composition among individual slabs.

In addition to the "Prodac" control system, as it is called, which stores program information in a transistorized memory storage unit, the mill contains magnetic power amplifiers to operate various actuators.

Full operation in late 1956 is anticipated.

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Known as Ferroxdure, a new ceramic material that is non-metallic and electrically non-conductive can be permanently magnetized to hold its strength under adverse conditions. Patented by North American Phillips Company, Inc., 100 E. 42 St., New York, the new magnetic ceramic is produced without critical materials such as cobalt, nickel or other metals which are costly and, in times of emergency, are often unobtainable. Ferroxdure is unaffected by external fields and is difficult to demagnetize once it has been polarized. Since it can be molded into various shapes, the new material has many practical advantages. Compared with metal magnets, it is smaller in size, lighter in weight, has longer effective life, and provides improved performance.

The photo shows Dr. Frank G. Brockman of North American Phillips examining the repelling power of two Ferroxdure rings in a glass beaker.



#### **Method Of Tallying Votes Wanted**

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, 501 Hall of Records, Los Angeles 12, Calif., invites competent nanufacturers to submit bids on the development of prototype vote tallying equipment. Proposals are o include a systems analysis, cost estimates coverng developmental work as well as production expenses, FP or CPFF contract statement, history of ompany, and other pertinent data. Bids must be reeived at Los Angeles no later than Dec. 4, 1956.

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#### Service Plan For Scientific Instruments

Regular preventive maintenance and emergency repairs of expensive scientific instruments has been undertaken on a subscription basis by the Chicago Apparatus Co., 1735 N. Ashland Ave., Chicago 22, Ill. Heretofore such policies were restricted to office equipment or TV receivers. This is a continuation and enlargement endeavor to include scientific instruments.

#### **NBS Will Move to Maryland**

About 550 acres of land near Gaithersburg, Md., have been selected as the new home for the National Bureau of Standards. Hoping to get away from city noises and electrical interferences, the NBS laboratory staff plan to complete the move in about five years. The bureau has occupied its present Connecticut Ave. site in Washington for over 50 years.

Operations at the Boulder, Colorado, research center will not be affected by the Washington laboratory relocation.

#### **Data Conversion Equipment**

Conversion of bearing and range information into digital form suitable for transmission over a radio voice communication link is the mission of equipment delivered to the Navy Electronics Lab., San Diego, by the Electronic Engineering Co., Calif.

The unit has two channels, each of which represents the shaft positions of a two-speed synchro system. The rotational position is converted into a 12-digit number.

#### Portable Radio Transistors May Last Forever

Replacement of transistors in portable radios and other electronic equipment may never be necessary if they are used within the limits set by the manufacturer, a General Electric Engineer suggested recently in New York.

In addition he said transistors are rugged enough to withstand the 8000 G jolt of being fired from a mortar and still operate at full ratings.

Speaking to a transistor reliability symposium sponsored by a Department of Defense advisory group, C. H. Zierdt, Jr., engineering consultant in the Semiconductor Products Department of GE, reported results of various tests run by his company on transistors. He reported that life tests started in 1954 on transistors picked at random from regular manufacturing lots show no failures after 18,000 working hours at full power. This is equal to maximum load on the transistors eight hours a day for six years.

Results showed that only 1/4 of one per cent of the transistors could not be operated at peak ratings after 1000 hours at full power. The other 99-3/4 per cent showed no signs of wear whatever. All of the transistors were still usable in portable radios.



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#### **Newest Radar Hazard to Motorists**

Officer John Sweeney of the Chicago Park District Police is shown operating a new radar speed meter that does virtually everything but chase violators and write tickets. The 26 pound unit produced by Admiral Corporation will register the speed of all cars or, if desired, only those exceeding the speed limit. It can be set to retain a reading up to two minutes. A description of the car, license number, date and time of violation can be recorded on an optional tape recorder. Also, an optional 16 mm camera will take a motion picture by the split image process of the car's license number and the speed reading on the meter.

#### Auto Industry Gets Transistorized Fuel Injection System

Yielding more power with less fuel, the Electrojector, a transistorized fuel injection system for automobile engines, promises to give automobile designers in Detroit new horizons in the fabrication of low-slung autos. First application of transistors to basic automobile design, the new Bendix design is said to result in better fuel economy, elimination of vapor locks, no cornering or hill-angle effects, and great reductions in smog generation.

Basically, the system is a fuel injector system utilizing a separate fuel flow valve on each cylinder. Each valve is electrically actuated by impulses from an electronic modulator unit. The time duration of each electrical impulse to its valve determines the amount of fuel injected. Impulses can be controlled to an accuracy of 1/2 millisecond with the completely transistorized modulator. The  $4 \times 5$ inch modulator is a simple analog computer which combines transduced engine temperatures and spark distributor impulses to produce an output signal to the cylinder valves. Corrections for ambient temperature and altitude are built into the deluxe version.

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#### **Collins Air Collision System Wins**

Development of an electronic device to prevent aircraft midair collisions has been given top priority by Collins Radio. The Air Transport Association announced that the Collins plan for such a device was the best submitted. ATA is a national organization of the major airlines.

Collins proposes development of interim equipment to warn the pilot of the presence of any aircraft dangerously close to his own. More comprehensive equipment to follow this initial development will automatically determine if a nearby aircraft is on a collision path by means of an electronic computer, and advise the pilot of the necessary evasive action to be taken.

"Proximity Warning Indicator" (PWI) equipment is expected to be available to the airlines in 1958, with the "Collision Detection and Avoidance" equipment ready the following year.

PWI maximum ranges of either 800 feet or two nautical miles can be selected. Information from each flight plane quadrant will be independently displayed with an included angle of 15 degrees. Four range lamps will be provided for the pilot in each quadrant.

Antennas for the PWI system will be four directional types for azimuth coverage and one for each of the upper and lower hemispheres. CW-FM radar will be utilized in the basic rf system and range detection will be by frequency change as the transmitter frequency is swept in a sawtooth manner.

#### **Continuous Weather Data To Aircraft**

Trans-Canada Airlines is conducting transatlantic flight test of an airborne radioteleprinter which automatically and continually receives the latest weather data from stations in Canada and Scotland. Developed jointly by Federal Telecommunications Labs, Nutley, N.J., and Creed and Co., Ltd., London, England, the equipment has functioned effectively for a distance of 1300 nautical miles.

Sending stations are at Chatham, New Brunswick, Canada and Galdenock, Scotland. The typewriter-size machine converts the signals into readable print at the rate of 100 wpm.

#### Human Engineering Face Lifting

Pacing the current swing to human engineering the Servo Corporation of America, New Hyde Park, N. Y., displayed a new Servoscope at the ISA Show in New York which was redesigned on the basis of a nationwide survey of engineers and technicians. Based on their survey findings, dials, switches, and information display were arranged to try to reduce fatigue and increase reading accuracy. The servo instrument is an old standby in the control field. No significant circuit changes were made—only a human engineering face-lifting.

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Recently, Marion introduced a new concept in panel meter design, successfully combining for the first time greater readability with distinctive "color harmony" styling. These "MEDALIST" meters were made available in standard 2½ and 3½ inch sizes, interchangeable with ASA/MIL type mounting.

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The MM1, shown actual size, provides scale length equal to or greater than most 2½" meters . . . and up to 50% more scale length than 1½" conventional meters. The new 1½" Medalist is available in all standard ranges including self-contained DC Ammeters and rectifier-type AC voltmeters. Basic mechanism of the MM1 is the Marion "Coaxial" MEP2 D, which assures performance and durability far surpassing conventional mechanisms. And like the MM2 and MM3, the MM1 is offered in a variety of standard and special case colors. Easy mounting is accomplished by a threaded ring.



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## **Washington Report**

**Albert Warren** 

#### Washington Trends & Briefs

Top 100 defense contractors during 1955 included 29 heavily involved in electronics manufacture, according to list released by Defense Dept. The list. with each company's ranking and dollar volume (in millions) is as follows: (1) Boeing, \$797.2; (2) North American Aviation, \$790.9; (3) General Dynamics. \$781.7; (4) United Aircraft, \$587.4; (5) GE, \$570.2; (6) AT&T, \$505.3; (8) Lockheed Aircraft, \$412.7; (10) Douglas Aircraft, \$291.1; (11) Glenn L. Martin, \$271.4; (12) Hughes Aircraft, \$205.9; (13) Bendix Aviation, \$194.1; (20) IBM, \$128.4; (21) Sperry Rand, \$127.7; (22) RCA, \$125.7; (26) Philco, \$97.6; (27) Avco, \$84.5; (34) Raytheon, \$59.7; (35) Collins, \$57.8; (44) Hazeltine, \$46.2; (48) Westinghouse Electric, \$41.8; (57) Dynamics Corp., \$34.2; (60) Gilfillan, \$33.1; (62) Minneapolis-Honeywell, \$32.6: (63) American Bosch Arma, \$32.0; (68) ACF Industries, \$31.3; (69) Motorola, \$29.6; (71) Westinghouse Air Brake, \$29.0; (75) American Machine & Foundry, \$27.4; (80) IT&T, \$18.9.

Institute for Defense Analyses has been formed, awarded \$1.7 million contract, to assist Dept. of Defense's Weapons System Evaluation group. Headed by Maj. Gen. James McCormack Jr. (USAF, Ret.), trustees include top scientists of California Institute of Technology, Case Institute, MIT, Stanford U., Tulane U. Research director of IDA will be Dr. Albert G. Hill, former director of MIT's Lincoln Lab.

Circular polarization program of Civil Aeronautics Administration will convert airport surveillance radars at 47 airports at cost of \$15,400 for each radar already in use, \$5000 for those to be installed. CAA states that circular polarization produces superior results in picking up aircraft flying through snow & rain. One conversion, at LaGuardia, N.Y., has been completed.

New TV resolution chart offered by RETMA features, among numerous improvements, increase of resolution wedges from 600 to 800 lines, use of 100% rag stock of great brightness, very flat blacks & greys. Also, for greater performance, grey scales are supplied in photographic paste-on form.

Recent loans to electronics firms by Small Busiess Administration: \$200,000 to Cleveland Elecronics Inc., Cleveland, O.; \$150,000 to Pioneer Ingineering Corp., Los Angeles; Servonic Instruents Inc., Pasadena, Cal.

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Techniques in processing material for the atomic age took a step forward when Union Carbide announced that pieces of graphite have been successfully welded together for the first time in history. Graphite is useful in nuclear reactors because of its neutronslowing characteristics. In the past, sheets and panels for nuclear reactor moderators have been built up from graphite blocks. However, with the new process, forms can be prefabricated in various configurations directly by ordinary welding techniques.

In explaining the revolutionary process, Dr. Robert G. Breckenridge, director of the new Union Carbide Research Laboratories in Parma. Ohio, pointed out that the graphite welding process is essentially a melting process. Graphite electrodes are placed near each other in high-pressure argon and a carbon arc joins the two pieces as an electrical current flows between them.

Union Carbide also disclosed that the largest single crystals of cadmium sulfide ever reported have been "grown" in their new laboratories. A light-sensitive material, cadmium sulfide can be used in photo cells, solar batteries, and, when properly activated, as a light-producing phosphorescent material.

#### **Glass Components Resist Moisture**

Arising as an important material in electronics manufacturing today, glass is gaining momentum as a basic material for many new products. A new line of electronic components has recently been introduced to the market, including glass insulated capacitors, glass based resistors and metalized glass inductances. The capacitors are made with a thin glass ribbon as the dielectric material which, interleaved with metal foil such as aluminum or silver, heated and rolled together in the form of a multiple club sandwich, provides a monolithic structure which does not need to be buried in wax to make it moisture proof.

These glass insulated capacitors are competitive with the best mica types and have some advantages in electrical properties.

#### Hand-Held Underwater TV

A new development in underwater TV, announced by Pye Ltd., England, is a small hand-held underwater TV camera. It enables diving operations to be effectively supervised from above the water by observers grouped around a large screen.

Observers, then, can direct the diver by means of underwater loudspeaker equipment. Provision is made for the pictures reproduced on the screen to be photographed.

The small version of the camera, a 12 in. sphere weighing 38 pounds on land and buoyant in water, has been designed to withstand water pressure of 220 psi, corresponding to a depth of 500 ft.

All camera adjustments are carried out from the control unit above the water. The diver concerns himself only with the camera positioning.

A larger version, designed to operate at 3000 ft depths, is encased in a 19 in. aluminum sphere. This version can be propelled by an electrically operated cradle.

#### **Camera Tracks Radar Target**

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Sighting through an aperture in the radar reflector, this new type 35 mm Boresight Camera, manufactured by Cameraflex Corp., 1947 Bway., New York 23, N. Y., photographs the target being tracked by radar. The radar secondary mount has azimuth, elevation and camera focusing adjustments which are independently operated. Lens, camera and focusing system are mounted on a plate which is removed and replaced easily, without disturbing adjustment positions.

#### World's Weather in a "Box"

To evaluate the effect of various weather conditions on airborne electronic systems, Westinghouse Electric Corp., Baltimore, Md., has installed an environmental testing chamber.

The chamber consists of two sections, each 10 x 18 x 16 ft deep. Rain, humidity and salt spray tests are conducted in one section, while altitude and temperature tests are performed in the other. In a matter minutes, the temperature can be n duced to -100 F or raised to +500Altitudes as high as 80,000 ft are mulated within 25 minutes.

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## **Meetings**

Oct. 16-18: Conference on Magnetism and Magnetic Materials.

Hotel Statler, Boston, Mass. Sponsored by the AIEE, IRE, American Physical Society, American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers. For further information, write to T. O. Paine, Measurements Laboratory, General Electric Co., W. Lynn, Mass.

Oct. 17: IRE Professional Group on Management. Midston House, New York, N. Y., 8:00 p.m. Premeeting dinner, 6:00 p.m. Theme of the conference is "Investment in Research." Speaker of program, Harper Woodward. For further information contact the IRE, 1 East 79th St., New York 21, N.Y.

#### Oct, 18-19: Third Annual International Meeting of the Institute of Management Sciences,

Statler Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif. Theme of the conference is "Management Sciences-A Progress Report." Program plans include the presentation of technical papers on the latest developments in the application of advanced sciences to business and industrial management. For further information, please contact Al N. Seares, Vice President Remington Rand, Sperry Rand Corp., 315 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N.Y.

#### Oct. 22-24: AIEE Machine Tool Conference.

Sheraton Gibson Hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio. For information, write to AIEE, 33 W. 39th St., New York 18, N.Y.

Oct. 25-26: Second Annual Technical Meeting of the IRE Professional Group on Electron Devices. Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C. A session of invited papers on "Recent Developments in Electron Devices" will be a feature of the meeting. For information, contact Prall Culviner, Sylvania Elec-

tric Products, Inc., 1740 Broadway, New York, N.Y.

#### Oct. 29-Nov. 2: Convention on Ferrites.

London, England. Sponsored by the Institution of Electrical Engineers. Program will include sessions on theory, preparation, and properties of ferrites, microwave application, square loop applications, radio and TV applications, and carrier frequency applications. For further information, write to W. K. Brasher, Secretary, Institution of Electrical Engineers, Savoy Place, London W.C. 2, England.

#### Oct. 29-30: Third Annual East Coast Conference on Aeronautical and Navigational Electronics.

Fifth Regiment Armory, Baltimore, Md. Sponsored by the Baltimore Section and Professional Group on Aeronautical and Navigational Electronics of the IRE. Theme of the conference is "Electronics in the Jet Air Age." For information, write to W. D. Crawford, Publicity Chairman, Westinghouse Electric Corp., Air Arm Div., Friendship International Airport, Baltimore 27, Md.

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#### Oct. 31-Nov. 3: Gaseous Electronics Conference.

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## **Transistor Design**

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ANY styles and shapes of transistors have evolved. Some have resulted from limited but special requirements; others apparently have been designed to further the publicity aims of companies caught in the throes of competition. The purpose of this article is to soberly examine transistor design from the standpoint of end-use requirements.

#### **Design Requirements**

A list of the design requirements would certainly include the following:

- Lowest overall cost consistent with other requirements:
- Smallest size consistent with other requirements;
- Applicability to printed wiring and automatic assembly techniques;
- Transistor reliability consistent with end product requirements;
- Interchangeability between similar products of various transistor manufacturers;
- Mechanical similarity between types (n-p-n, p-n-p, alloy, grown, etc.); and
- Electrical insulation of all transistor elements from the housing.



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The necessity for lowest cost leads to a cylindrical form, which is least expensive to tool both in housing fabrication and in transistor assembly. This in turn makes a nearly circular lead pattern desirable for single-ended devices. Economical transistor manufacture at present requires that a transistor be mounted, cleaned, and tested before final sealing, and that the final seal be made under controlled atmosphere and without contamination from the sealing process. Single-ended design lends itself most readily to this procedure. A most important factor in cost is the size; units must not be so small that they cannot economically be machine-produced (although certain applications will probably continue to justify achievement of absolute minimum size by hand assembly at higher





Fig. 1. Transistor lead specifications for use on printed wiring boards: (a) Hole spacings for hand and automatic assembly; (b) Preferred grid spacing for printed wiring boards (JTC-259).



Fig. 3. Internal structure and board mounting of two transistor types.

cost). There is little cost difference at present between available housing materials and methods when considered as the overall cost of housing the transistor. Mechanical tolerances must, as usual, be as large as possible to keep price down. Lower cost will also result when the transistor manufacturer can use the same housing for many transistor types, with attendant purchasing and assembly tool economies.

#### Size

The question of smallest size resolves rapidly to one of form factor, as the cubage of machine-manufacturable transistors does not vary over any great range. For point-to-point wired assemblies, chassis space may be gained at the expense of transistor height by using a tall, thin housing. In printed wiring assembly, the board wiring usually puts a lower limit on the floor space required for any component, and allows a shorter, wider transistor design to be used with some fabrication and application advantages. For many applications, dissipation requirements also limit the minimum usable size.

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Applicability to printed wiring requires primarily that the leads be spaced far enough between centers to allow the necessary land diameters of the printed board holes, without solder bridging between adjacent leads when dip soldered. The minimum center-tocenter spacing usable with present board fabricating techniques is 0.100 in. for hand-inserted components and 0.125 in. for automatically machine-inserted components (Fig. 1a). An additional requirement of most board-drilling and/or automatic component placing machines is that the centers of all holes shall lie on intersections of a 0.100-in. square coordinate grid (Fig. 1b). The necessary transistor lead spacing may be obtained either by forming the leads from their positions at the transistor base to spacings in multiples of 0.100 in., or by so arranging the transistor base that the leads emerge from the transistor body at the proper spacings. The latter method is more economical, but generally requires a larger outside diameter of the transistor housing. This does not imply that more board space is required by such transistors, as the lands of the printed board generally approach very closely the transistor OD (Fig. 2). The wider lead spacings allow transistor elements to be mounted between rather than atop the leads, reducing the transistor's overall height appreciably. This reduced height is valuable in applications, such as computers, in which many boards are stacked together in a minimum pace. A second requirement for transistors designed or assembly into equipment by automatic machinery that an indexing point must be provided on the eriphery, in a fixed angular relation to the transistor ads, so that the insertion machine may properly rient the transistor before placing it.

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#### Reliability

Reliability has many aspects, of which the most general is the need for protection of the transistor from damage by environment during use. A look at today's transistor industry gives mute evidence that anything less than complete hermetic sealing has not provided reliability adequate for any application in which transistors have been used; this has been verified by hundreds of thousands of hours of testing and millions of hours of actual use in equipment.

Mechanical transistor internal ruggedness of the structure requires short, rigid sturcture if potting compounds are not used; their use renders most structures sufficiently strong mechanically, at some risk in electrical and high-temperature reliability because of the extreme sensitivity of transistor surfaces to foreign elements (Fig. 3).

In terms of mechanical ruggedness of a transistor when in place in a circuit, for any but "static use" applications such as radio or TV receivers, the transistor will probably require mechanical clamping to prevent vibration or shock damage to its leads if any appreciable lead length exists between the transistor base and a mechanical mount. This limitation does not apply to transistors whose leads are properly spaced for printed wiring; and which may therefore be mounted on the board with essentially no exposed lead length, as shown in Fig. 3.

#### Interchangeability

Mechanical interchangeability between transistors made by different manufacturers generally requires that the diameter be essentially the same for both, with somewhat less binding requirements on height and lead arrangement. This objective is best met by agreement between transistor manufacturers, which is now in process in several of the industry committees under Joint Electron Tube Engineering Council sponsorship.

Use of a common housing for a multiplicity of transistor types has a very real advantage to the user, in addition to its cost advantage to the transistor manufacturer. Both development and product improvement of transistor-using equipment are facilitated by ready interchangeability between nph and pnp transistors of grown or alloy junction types, for instance, without redesign of the equipment to accommodate different transistor sizes or shapes.

Circuit-wise, it is almost always advantageous that the transistor elements be electrically insulated from the housing and/or the mounting means. In an important exception, which requires maximum dissipation with minimum size, the required heat transfer may dictate connection of one element to the housing. A good design will therefore attempt to allow this option without introducing undesirable tool changes or alteration of the transistor form sufficiently to render it non-interchangeable with others in the same-size envelope.



#### **Design Example**

To illustrate the application of these manifold considerations, consider the design of a housing, now used by General Electric Co., for signal and switching transistors rated to 150 mw dissipation (Fig. 4). The development specs for this housing were:

It must be hermetically sealed (vacuum tight);

 It should be capable of automatic assembly into printed circuit boards;

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- It should accommodate a maximum number of transistor types;
- It must be procurable at reasonable cost from several vendors, and must not be limited to one construction, which might preclude future cost reductions;
- It must be suited to mechanized transistor fabrication;
- It must be as small as possible, consistent with other requirements;
- It must introduce a minimum of interlead capacitance.

The requirement for automatic assembly in printed boards establishes a minimum center-to-center lead spacing of 0.125 in. which is incompatible with a 0.100 in. coordinate grid. The closest compatible spacing is 0.141 in. (diagonal of a 0.100 in. square); there fore the arrangement of Fig. 1b is the smallest compatible with the 0.100 in. grid. Leads are 90 deg apart on a 0.200 in. diam circle, centered. It is noted that this allows four leads without size penalty; it will therefore accommodate many types of devices in addition to the triodes now commonly manufactured. A lead dia of 0.017 in. was chosen as a reasonable compromise between desired lead stiffness and the OD of the transistor (which should be increased if larger leads are used).

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From the lead circle diameter, using 0.017 in. leads, good glass-to-metal seal practice requires at least 0.125 in. of added diameter for insulation, fabrication, and final sealing purposes. The minimum OD is therefore 0.325 in., which was the value chosen. Of this, 0.030 in. is devoted to the resistance welded final seal. The required height is determined by the internal transistor elements; a value of 0.025 in. overall was chosen as suitable for all presently foreseen devices adaptable to this housing.

These dimensions permit stable mounting of the transistor by soldering the leads directly into a printed board, without clamping the device body. They also allow a very low overall height for stacked-board applications, and an extremely rugged internal transistor structure without resort to potting or other potentially costly reinforcements.

Several types of seals, and various seal materials, may be used for this housing, allowing a wide latitude of future manufacturing economies, special design for thermal dissipation, etc. It will dissipate 150 mw at 100 C junction temperature and 25 C ambient; it is thus equal to many much (3-4 times) larger housings in this respect, primarily because of the short heat conduction path inside the unit.

A case orienting index is provided by a peripheral "bump" which is so located that, if made in the form of a lead, it may be used to ground a metal transistor shell for shielding. This feature has proven most valuable in 30-100 mc applications. It is noted that a lead so placed is compatible with the 0.100 in. grid system.

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This housing (Fig. 4) is currently being used by General Electric Company for several developmental triode, tetrode, and other transistor types. It was developed under USAF contract AF33(600)17793 for these uses, and has demonstrated its ability to withstand all military environment and mechanical tests. Its outline is also under consideration by JETEC as a proposed mechanical standard for general industry use.

The equipment designer's vision of transistors having neither size nor weight nor losses, with infinite gain and life in millennia, is not likely to be achieved during the present rapid growth of the semiconductor industry. Transistor and other component design people must continue to push the frontiers of size reduction, reliability improvement, and decrease of characteristic spreads as fast as technological advances permit. In the meantime, it should be remembered that compromise among many conflicting factors is the essence of good product design, whether of components, equipment, or consumer items. Insistence of users upon infinitesimal size and single purpose forms of transistors will produce an inevitable delay of the more important achievements in uniformity, low cost, and reliability.

A definite move toward logical transistor housing standards now will contribute a great deal to earlier fruition of the better, lower-cost products which beter transistors make possible.

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## **Circuit Design For Transistor Interchangeability**

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**T**RANSISTOR replacement in circuits often necessitates changing circuit parameters to restore the original operating conditions. It is desirable to avoid this necessity. The work done at GE, disclosed here, offers practical suggestions to designers for developing circuits that allow germanium triode interchangeability in if power amplifier circuits. This method of approach may be applied to similar problems encountered in other transistor circuit design.

Interchangeability of components is a very necessary criterion in the design of intermediate frequency amplifiers. Transistors have not, in the past, adequately fulfilled this requirement. Consequently, designs must include compensating factors, such as neutralization, which add materially to the cost. An investigation of factors affecting amplifiers without neutralization revealed practical limits of certain parameters which can be valuable to both the designer and the manufacturer. Since only a single stage was considered, additional problems of cascading are not covered.

The common-emitter configuration was investigated since it is most widely used in industry. This configuration is more practical from an impedance matching standpoint, and at 455 kc it gives higher power gain than the common-base circuits. From this point the designer needs to know the optimum impedance for the collector, the input impedance at the base, and the best operating point on the characteristic curves. The operating point will be determined as a compromise between dc power drain and signal power gain. However, it will be shown that the dc components do affect the signal-handling parameters of the device and thereby further complicate the design problem.

A conjugate impedance match at the input and output of the germanium triode common-emitter configuration will approach an unstable condition where oscillation may occur. To avoid this, a resistive input match is used as in Fig. 1. A pi-matching network is used at the collector output. This provides a good means of varying the load at the collector terminal as well as keeping the output tuned. The constants for the pi-network were calculated according to general network theory. th th le is ar

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In this case, a 200  $\mu$ h coil is used with a high Q (325 at 455 kc). The input capacitance, C<sub>1</sub>, is variable from 200 to 700  $\mu\mu$ f; C<sub>2</sub> at the output is variable from 4500 to 14,500  $\mu\mu$ f in steps of 1500  $\mu\mu$ f. When the output circuit is tuned, the load is a pure resistance (R<sub>0</sub>). In this condition, the input impedance (Z<sub>1</sub>) is not resistive, but the resistive component (R<sub>1</sub>) is measurable. This makes it possible to compute power into the base. Since it is necessary to know the exact impedance into which the collector is working at any one setting of C<sub>2</sub>, it can be measured according to the method presented in Fig. 2. Note that it is necessary to keep C<sub>1</sub> tuned. When taking these measurements, a slight trimming will be necessary when the transistor is removed from



Fig. 1—Circuit employed for measurement of power gain.



Fig. 2—Collector Load Impedance measurement circuit (tuned).



Fig. 3—Circuit used for measurement of shunting resistance of matching network (tuned).

#### **Design Calculations**

## $Q_L = 3\sqrt{\frac{R_o}{R_L}} = 26 ;$ (1)

where:  $Q_L$  = loaded Q  $R_o$  = collector load (15,000 ohms)  $R_L$  = terminating resistor (200 ohms)

Bandwidth (B.W.) = 
$$\frac{455}{26}$$
 = 17.5 kc (2)

(If  $Q_L > 26$ , B.W. will be less. In the laboratory, the model was measured to have a B.W. of 12 kc.)

$$Q_L = \frac{R_o}{X_{C_1}} \cdot X_{C_1} = \frac{R_o}{Q_L} = \frac{15,000}{26} = 577 \text{ ohms}$$

$$C_1 = 600 \ \mu\mu f \tag{3}$$

$$Z_a = \frac{X_{C_1}^2}{R_C} = 22.2 \text{ ohms;}$$
(4)

where  $Z_a$  = characteristic impedance of pi-network.

$$Z_{c_2}^2 = Z_o R_L = 4440$$

$$Z_{c_2} = \sqrt{4440} = 66.7 \text{ ohms}$$

$$C_2 = 5000 \ \mu\mu\text{f} \qquad (5)$$

$$X_L = X_{c_1} + X_{c_2} = 644$$

$$L = 200 \ \mu\text{h} \qquad (6)$$

the circuit and the signal inserted. The voltmeter at the output can be used to monitor the tuning. The collector impedance is controlled by  $C_0$  when the circuit is tuned. A tap switch is used to vary the size of  $C_0$ , and it can be calibrated directly in impedance.

With the proper value for  $R_i$  and  $R_s$ , point 1 in Fig. 1 is a constant voltage point. Furthermore,  $R_s$  is effectively the internal impedance of the generator. Therefore, if the voltage at point 2 is one-half the voltage at point 1,  $R_s$  will be equal to  $R_i$ . The power into the transistor  $(P_i)$  will closely approximate  $E_s^3/R_s$  provided  $C_i$  is tuned to the point where  $E_s$ , the voltage at the base, is minimum. Since  $h_{rb}$  has not been neutralized, this is not at the resonant point for the collector circuit. If the collector circuit is then tuned to exact resonance, as indicated by the output meter, the voltage across  $R_s$  can be read. This will give the useful power output of  $(P_o)$  as  $E_o^2/R_s$ .

As a matter of basic philosophy, there is an amount of power lost  $(P_L)$  in the matching network which must be taken into account. Although this is not useful power, in that it is not available at the output, it is supplied by the transistor. Obviously, not all transfer networks, such as if transformers, have the same efficiency. It is possible to design a highly efficient network which in actual tests would indicate high power gain but would not be optimized for practical use. The only equitable method is to add this power lost to the useful power output, thereby crediting the transistor with it and allowing the circuit designer to choose the most practical matching network.



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A suitable method is presented, Fig. 3, for measuring the power lost. This is a function of the value of C<sub>s</sub> and, as before, C<sub>s</sub> can be calibrated in R<sub>s</sub> (a shunting resistance across R<sub>L</sub>). Obviously, R<sub>s</sub> is removed for this measurement. From R<sub>s</sub> and E<sub>o</sub> the power lost is computed: (P<sub>L</sub> = E<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>/R<sub>s</sub>). The total power out of the transistor (P<sub>ci</sub>) is the sum of P<sub>o</sub> and P<sub>L</sub>. From this power gain can be obtained: (P.G. = 10 log P<sub>ot</sub>/P<sub>i</sub>).

#### **Test Results**

Data was taken on forty transistors of the GE 2N78 npn type. The output impedance was varied to determine the optimum load for the transistor. In the range of C<sub>2</sub>, it was possible to vary the load from 7000 ohms to 23,000 ohms. The results are plotted in Fig. 4. The load can be varied from 8000 to 26,000 ohms with only 0.5 db loss in gain. At all times, the input was resistively matched in order to keep the power-in at the proper level. In doing so, it became apparent that the input resistance was affected by the output load. This is to be expected from a theoretical analysis. In general, the input resistance goes up as the output load is decreased (Fig. 5). The emitter bias is presented as an independent parameter. As was expected, the input resistance is higher for lower values of emitter bias.

Although the input resistance decreases with an increase in output impedance, some units showed a lower input resistance than others. It was noted that these units gave a higher power gain. A plot of input resistance against emitter bias current showed a sharp increase in  $R_{in}$  with lower values of  $I_c$ . Changing the collector voltage did not affect these results, showing that  $R_{in}$  does not vary appreciably with  $V_c$  (Fig. 6).

Dc bias levels have an effect on the power gain also. Data shows that gain increases with  $V_c$ , rather rapidly at the lower levels and tapers off at values above 6 v (Fig. 7). With I<sub>c</sub> there is a definite peak on the gain characteristic. This peak occurs between 1 and 5 ma, depending upon collector voltage.



 $I_{o}$ . Output 455 kc, load 15,00 ohms.

In all considerations of power gain, alpha cutoff frequency must be taken into account. In this investigation the alpha cutoff varies between 4 and 12 mc. From the experimental results, it did not seem to affect the power gain since units with the same power gain showed different alpha cutoff frequencies. Several checks revealed that beta cutoff gave a better correlation. Before pursuing this further, it became evident that Rin is more significant. It is apparent from Fig. 8 that the gain of a matched stage is nearly constant. The difficulty arises from the wide variations in  $R_{in}$  which varies with  $h_{rb}$ . If an amplifier is designed with certain input matching characteristics, excessive variations in the input resistance of the unit leads to loss of power gain, instability of operation, or in the case of converters, no operation. Therefore, a narrower spread on R<sub>in</sub> would alleviate the interchangeability problem.

Power gain in intermediate amplifiers is a close function of the input resistance. The input resistance varies with  $h_{rb}$  and alpha cutoff. Further variations in input resistance are experienced as a result of operating bias, output impedance and individual transistor characteristics. Realizing this, interchangeability can be done with transistors by proper circuit design.



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**F**ACED with the problem of selecting the proper screen phosphors, the engineer picking a display tube might ask himself the questions itemized below. Results of various screens are discussed in the answers to these questions, to enable an equipment designer to arrive at the best compromise.

Phosphors discussed here are classified as: P4-short, i.e. for all practical purposes there is no image clearly visible to the eye once the electron beam is cut off; P1-medium; P2-medium long; P7, P12, P14, and P17-long, i.e. an image that is fairly bright during luminescence remains clearly visible to the eye for a few seconds after beam cutoff (P17 has in addition a component of  $\mu$ sec duration); P19 and P25 are classified as very long.

#### **Questions Regarding Displays**

1. Brightest Phosphor-If operation is restricted to low voltage and if very long persistence is not desired, what phosphor will give the brightest image for a given beam current, and how far can the beam current be increased without burning a particular screen?

2. Anode Voltage Effect on Brightness-How much brightness is gained for various phosphors by increasing the anode voltage?

3. Aluminizing and Brightness-How much brightness is gained at higher anode voltages by aluminizing the screen, a process which is detrimental in that it restricts tube operation to voltages above 5 kv?

4. P19 vs P25-How do the very long persistent phosphors P19 and P25 compare?

5. Contrast-How many distinct brightness steps can be perceived on a given screen type, i.e. how good is contrast?

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6. Gray Envelopes—Is there any advantage to using gray glass envelopes?

7. Glare Coatings-Is there any advantage to using a reflection reducing coating on the outside of the face plate?

#### **Answers to Questions**

1. Brightest Phosphor-Fig. 1 gives the light output L (in foot-lamberts) of a  $1/2'' \ge 1/2''$  raster for various screens at 5 kv anode voltage, which is a standard operating voltage for the tubes used. L is plotted as a function of the beam current I, starting with  $I = 1\mu A$ . In view of the raster size, I represents 1/4 the beam current density per square inch. The measurements were made with an eye-corrected Weston illumination meter, so that the relative brightness of the various screens is recorded as it appears to the eye. The data on P19 could not be included since these screens burn at very low beam currents. P12 and a carefully processed P25 screen can sustain beam currents of 1 and 2  $\mu A$ , but the light output is too low to be plot-

ted on this diagram. The light output measurements were carried out up to as high a value of the beam current as possible without causing a burn at the bright edge of the raster. This determination of the burning point of the screen is only approximate. Particularly worth noting is that the short persistent phosphor P4 used for TV screens is the most efficient while P17 is the least efficient. The closeness of the other curves shows that at 5 kv the variation in efficiency from screen to screen is not too pronounced.

2. Anode Voltage Effect on Brightness-In order to evaluate correctly the effect of increasing the anode voltage, the following considerations must be taken into account: It is possible to use screen thickness and processing, which will give optimum light output in a given range of anode voltage. The data on light output at 12 kv shown in Fig. 2 were obtained with the same size tubes used to get the data at 5 kv, i.e. tubes designed primarily for the 4-7 kv range; 12 kv is the maximum allowable voltage for these tubes. TI

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Fig. 1. Light output of various phosphors at 5 kv anode voltage in tubes with screens made for optimum operation in the 4-7 kv anode voltage range.





Fig. 3. Light output at 12 kv anode voltage of various screens optimized for the 4-7 kv anode voltage range.

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Thus at least some improvement in light output at 12 kv is to be expected from tubes designed specifically for that voltage range. Fig. 2 shows the ratio of the light output at 12 kv to that at 5 kv for different phosphors at beam currents of 5, 30, and 60  $\mu$ A. For P2 and, to a lesser extent, P4 screens this ratio is considerably higher at the low beam current than at the high beam current, showing that, for these phosphors. screen saturation sets in more readily at the higher anode voltage. P2A is a form of the P2 phosphor. In view of the very marked increase in light output of P2A with anode voltage, its use for high voltage tubes is particularly recommended.

Fig. 3 shows a plot of light output of a  $1/2'' \ge 1/2''$ raster versus beam current at 12 kv anode voltage for the tubes just mentioned. P1 is shown dotted since measurements on it were carried out at 11 kv. Except for the short persistent P4, P2A and P14 are the most efficient and the most resistant to burn. Since the decay characteristics of P7 and P14 are fairly similar, it may prove advantageous in a number of applications to replace P7 by the more efficient P14. Tube users may also want to consider possible alternatives for the low efficient P17.

3. Aluminizing and Brightness-What is the gain to be achieved by aluminizing? Fig. 4 shows that the PI screen benefits markedly from aluminizing, its light output at 12 kv being increased by a factor of nearly 3. The type of aluminizing that is discussed here is standard for the tubes manufactured at our plant. The crossover voltage is around 3 kv. A question mark placed at the point representing the P12 data indicates that the exact value is uncertain, but in any case aluminizing is highly effective for this phosphor as well. P17 remains consistently in the cellar being the or by screen whose light output at 12 kv is affected a lversely by aluminizing.

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4" x 4" raster in order to work with beam currents that could be readily measured while using only a low beam current density. Findings are that for a given value of the beam current, P19 is nearly 40% more efficient, but this higher efficiency is more than counterbalanced by its lower resistance to burning. Carefully processed P25 screens will withstand a current more than 30 times as high as a P19 screen.

5. Contrast-When the image of a slide with a number of distinct brightness gradations is formed on the tube screen, the number of brightness levels that can be distinguished visually on a given screen depends primarily on a. whether there is any background illumination produced by the bright steps or b. whether the background is black. As shown in Table I, the maximum number of distinct brightness steps that can be viewed on any screen is 7 under optimum condition a and only 5 for condition b.

#### Table I

Number of Distinct Brightness Levels Discernible During Fluorescence

Condition (see text)	P1, P2, P4 P7, P14	P12, P17 P25	P19
a	7	4	5
ь	5	6	4

This number is smaller for P12, P17, and P25 and still smaller for P19.

The point of interest with regard to the long persistene phosphors P19 and P25 is not the degree of contrast during fluorescence (i.e. while screen citation is maintained) but the degree of contrast during phosphorescence (i.e. after beam cutoff). Fig. 5 shows the number of distinct brightness levels that can be observed on these two screens as a function of time after beam cutoff.

6. Gray Envelopes—The use of gray glass envelopes has been advocated for cathode-ray tubes as a means of improving contrast. Measurements studied by the author indicate that the number of distinct brightness steps on any given screen is not increased by the use of gray glass envelopes. Since gray glass absorbs anywhere from 15% of the radiation for yellow and green light to 22% for red, there seem to be no advantages that can be derived from its use.

7. Glare Coatings—In contrast to gray envelopes, the reflection reducing coating applied to the outside of the face plate appears to be quite effective. It reduces the halo around an extremely bright luminous area and thus permits observing a dimly luminous area adjacent to it. It results in reduced background illumination while the image brightness is maintained at a high level. For example, it increases from 5 to 6 the number of contrast steps that can be distinguished on a P14 screen when the background is black.

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This article outlines a method using zero-temperature-coefficient resistors for compensation, one resistor in series with the nonlinear element and one shunting it. Cost of such compensation is less than the cost of having the nonlinear components held close to the desired tolerances.

By making the resistance of all thermistors equal at two points on their resistance-vs-temperature characteristic, all variations are limited to a narrower temperature range. Effectively, a closer tolerance is obtained, Fig. 1.

Tolerances may be held to one per cent over a temperature range of 100 C. Varistors can also be held to comparable close tolerances. Although this method of compensation applies to varistors as well as thermistors, its application to thermistors only will be discussed in this article.

Resistance temperature characteristics of thermistors is given by:

$$R_T = R_o \ \epsilon^{\beta \ (1/T - 1/T_o)} \tag{1}$$

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Differentiating Eq. 1 with respect to temperature,

$$1/R dR/dT$$
  
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Fig. 1. Resistance—temperature curve for compensated thermistors.

# Tolerance Compensation of

# **Thermistors**

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Addition of a zero-temperature-coefficient resistor, either in series or in shunt with a thermistor, will result in a lower  $\alpha$  for the combination than that of the original thermistor. Obviously, a series resistor will raise the resistance, while a shunt resistor will lower the resistance.

It is important to note that variations in  $\alpha$  are usually represented by manufacturers' tolerances on  $\beta$  (Eq. 2).

The correction of two independently variable tolerances such as  $R_0$  and  $\alpha$ , Fig. 2a and 2b, by

means of one corrective device is impossible. Therefore, compensating these two variables involves the use of both a shunt and series resistor. to

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Effect of a shunt resistor on a thermistor possessing the lowest  $\alpha$  and the highest resistance acceptable, and one having the lowest  $\alpha$  and the lowest resistance acceptable are shown on Fig. 2<sub>c</sub>.

Temperature coefficient  $\alpha$ , of either combination was lower than that of the basic thermistor. Also, the resultant resistance of the network was brought further inside the acceptable  $R_0$  limits.



Fig. 2. (a) Effect of  $R_o$  tolerance on thermistor resistance at any temperature. (b) Effect of B tolerance on thermistor resistance at any temperature. (c) Effect of both shunt and series resistors on specific thermistors. (d) Effect of adding a second resistor to the combination of (c).



Adding a series resistor to the shunted thermistors, curve (a) in Fig. 2c and a shunt resistor to the series combination curve (b) of Fig. 2c, results in the curve of Fig. 2d. Both cases result in further lowered network  $\alpha$  as indicated by the lower slope of the curves. However, the network resistance in (a) approaches the upper acceptable resistance limit; the network resistance in (b) approaches the lower acceptable limit. Network resistance is:

$$Z = Y + \frac{R_T S}{R_T + S} \tag{3}$$

Then a shunt resistor will lower Z and lower  $\alpha$ .

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When Z increases, T decreases, Fig. 1. Hence, a shunt resistor will most effectively compensate the lower temperature. Similarly, the series resistor is used for compensation at the higher temperature.

At  $Z_1$ , Fig. 1, use as a limit the lowest  $R_0$  and lowest  $\alpha$  thermistor tolerance desired; at  $Z_2$ , the highest  $R_0$  and the lowest  $\alpha$  thermistor tolerance. Choosing these tolerances as reference points, assures that compensation will be possible over the tolerance range desired. At the same time, these points represent the minimum effect on the thermistor  $\alpha$  and  $R_0$ , i.e., a thermistor having low  $R_0$  and low  $\alpha$  would need no shunt resistor, whereas one having high  $R_0$  and low  $\alpha$  would need no series resistor. Therefore, choose  $Z_1$  to equal resistance of thermistor with lowest  $R_0$  and lowest  $\alpha$  desired, and choose  $Z_2$  to equal resistance of the thermistor with highest  $R_0$  and lowest  $\alpha$  desired.

Temperature references are determined by first assuming that compensation is desired over a temperature range T<sub>low</sub> to T<sub>high</sub>. Then T<sub>1</sub>, the lower reference temperature should be chosen at about 1/4 of the desired range, and T<sub>2</sub> about 3/4 of the range. This gives about  $\pm 1/4$  of the entire range at each reference temperature. Hence:

$$T_1 = T_{\epsilon} + \frac{1}{4} (T_h - T_{\epsilon})$$
(4)  
$$T_2 = T_{\epsilon} + \frac{3}{4} (T_h - T_{\epsilon})$$
(5)

Choosing the Value of Shunt and Series Compensators from equation (3),

$$Z_1 = Y + \frac{R_{T_1}S}{R_{T_1} + S} \tag{6}$$

$$Z_2^{"} = Y + \frac{R_{T2}S}{R_{T2} + S} \tag{7}$$

Note that  $R_{T1}$  and  $R_{T2}$  are known for each thermistor to be compensated. Their value depends on the  $R_o$  and the  $\alpha$  tolerance of the particular thermistor.

To solve for the value of shunt compensating resistance, S, let  $Z_1 = AR_o$ ,  $Z_2 = BR_o$ ,  $R_{T_1} = CR_o$  and  $R_{T_2} = DR_o$ . Constants A, B, C, and D serve merely to present S in terms of  $R_o$ .  $R_o$  is usually chosen at some mid-range temperature, but any tempera-



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ture may be used in its determination. The equation for S in terms of  $R_{\rm o}$  is:

$$S = -\frac{(A - B) (C + D) R_o}{2 (A - B + D - C)} \pm \sqrt{\left[\frac{(A - B) (C + D) R_o}{2 (A - B + D - C)}\right]^2 - \frac{(A - B) CDR_o^2}{A - B + D - C}}(8)$$

After finding S for each desired tolerance combination, Y can be found by substituting in Equations (6) and (7). Actually, the same value of Y should result from substitution in either (6) or (7). This is a convenient way of checking for errors.

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Varistors follow the law  $I = E^N/R$  where I = instantaneous current, <math>R=resistance of material, E= instantaneous voltage and N=material constant. Since there is a tolerance on both R and N, an analagous situation exists. The method described in this article then, can be applied equally well to varistors.

#### **Sample Calculations**

Given:  $R_o = 2000$  ohms  $T_1 = 40 \ F \ (277.44A)$   $T_o = 70 \ F \ (294.10A)$  $T_2 = 80 \ F \ (299.66A)$ 

Step 1. Calculate  $\beta$ . Assume R at 32  $F = 2.9R_{\circ} = 5800$  ohms.

Assume R at 122  $F = 0.4 R_o = 800$  ohms.

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$$R_{32F} = R_{122F} E^{\beta} \left(\frac{1}{T32} - \right)$$

Then:  

$$5800 = 8000 \beta \left(\frac{1}{273} - \frac{1}{323}\right)$$
  
 $5800 = 273(323)$ 

$$3 = \ln \frac{800}{323 - 273}$$

$$=\frac{1.981\times273\times323}{50}=3500$$

Step 2. Calculate  $R_{40F}$ 

- $R_{40F} = R_o E^{\beta} \left( \frac{1}{T_{40}} \frac{1}{T_b} \right)$ = 2000  $E^{3500} \left( \frac{1}{277.44} - \frac{1}{294.1} \right)$ = 2000  $E^{0.72}$ = 4120 = 2.06  $R_o$ Step 3. Calculate  $R_{80F}$  $R_{80F} = 2000 E^{3500} \left( \frac{1}{299.66} - \frac{1}{294.1} \right)$ = 2000  $E^{-1.221}$
- = 0.802  $R_o$ Step 4. Calculate  $R_{40F}$  and  $R_{80F}$  for -5% tolerance on  $\beta$ .  $-0.05 \beta = (0.95) (3500)$  = 3325Then:  $R_{40F} = 3810$ 
  - $= 1.9 R_o$   $R_{30F} = 1620$  $= 0.811 R_o$

= 1604

Step 5.	Calculate $R_{40F}$ and $R_{80F}$ for $+5\%$ tol-	-
	$\begin{array}{l} \text{erance on } \beta. \\ 0.05 \ \beta = (1.05) \ (3500) \end{array}$	
	= 3675 Then:	
	$R_{40F} = 4250$	
	$R_{80P} = \frac{2.13}{1580} R_{0}$ $= 0.792 R_{0}$	
Step 6.	Set up a table of tolerance extremes. Tolerance	
$R_{40P}$ 2.06 $R_{e}$ 1.81 $R_{o}$ 2.00 $R_{e}$ 2.03 $R_{o}$ 2.24 $R_{o}$ For the C = A	$\begin{array}{c ccccc} (Fer Amt.) \\ \hline C & R_{80F} & D & R_o & \beta \\ \hline 2.06 & 0.802 & R_o & 0.802 & \text{Nominal Nominal} \\ \hline 1.81 & 0.770 & R_o & 0.770 & -5 & -5 \\ \hline 2.00 & 0.850 & R_o & 0.850 & +5 & -5 \\ \hline 2.03 & 0.753 & R_o & 0.753 & -5 & +5 \\ \hline 2.24 & 0.831 & R_o & 0.831 & +5 & +5 \\ \hline conditions used to specify Z1 and Z2 (Fig. 1), \\ and D = B. \end{array}$	ughest
Step 7.	Calculate S using Equation 8. Then cal- culate Y using Equations 6 and 7. After calculating enough values of S and Y, plot S vs. tolerance and Y vs. tolerance, Fig. 3.	of pure For the to
Step 8.	For various tolerance combinations, find values of $S$ and $Y$ from Fig. 3. Calculate $Z$ for several values of temperature using Equation 3.	at 120°C
Step 9.	Plot Z vs. temperature as in Fig. 1. Best values of $S$ and $Y$ can be chosen for proper compensation by evaluating the plotted curves.	Full load
	Definitions.	% r
A = Cons B = Cons	stant used to present Z <sub>1</sub> in terms of K <sub>0</sub> .	n l urbo
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D = Con	stant used to present $R_{T_2}$ in terms of $R_0$ .	oly
$R_{\rm T} = The$	rmistor resistance at any absolute temperature,	D F al-
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Y = Valu	ue of series resistance necessary for compensation,	
Z = Resis	stance of compensated thermistor of any tolerance any temperature, ohms.	7
Z, == Res an	istance of thermistor having lowest $R_{\rm o}$ and $\alpha$ tolerace at temperature $T_{\rm 1}$ , ohms.	
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# Two-In-One Designs



**S** EVERAL years ago we were particularly impressed with the extensive training value that the Navy had just gotten out of a conventional radio receiver kit by slight modifications that made it also: an audio amplifier, a signal tracer, a 400-cps oscillator, a rf signal generator (with modulation) and a power supply. Early this year we noted with interest a commercial example of making a simple radio convertable into another piece of equipment—in one instance an intercom system, and in another a Geiger counter. Two for almost-the-price-of-one looks like a good sales feature, especially in a market with extremely heavy competition.

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Since the intercom model, especially, received considerable consumer approval, we thought the idea worthy of mention. Other designers may want to take the lead and modify some of their own products to take advantage of this "multiplexing" principle.

The partial schematics on this page show how simply Sylvania Electric Products Inc. incorporated the additional functions into conventional radio circuits. In the intercom model, the speaker of the master unit serves as both microphone and speaker. The system is one way, the remote end being a listening post only. High voltage for the Geiger tube is obtained from a vibrator-transformer. A neon lamp flashes the count which is also heard over the speaker.

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New test proves outstanding reliability

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Laboratory tests using standard, production relays have confirmed the remarkable performance of General Electric Miniature relays on low-energy switching applications. These hermetically sealed relays made contact 11 million times without failure—switching 25 microamps at 50 millivolts—indicating permanent reliability.

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**Description:** Available in standard, current-sensitive, and voltage-sensitive models; in 2-, 3-, or 4-pole double-throw and 6-pole normally open forms. Rated 5 amps at 28 volts DC at 85C.

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# An Open Interview with an Engineer

at Westinghouse Electronic Tube Division, Elmira, N.Y.

Today's engineering applicants are interested not only in their opportunities for growth and advancement in their chosen fields, but they also carefully consider the community and its facilities for pleasant living.

Most young engineers today are married ... many with small families already established. They usually ask about housing, schools, churches, community organizations and outdoor activities. Almost always they want to look the town over to make sure it's an attractive healthful place to raise a family.

Here is part of a typical interview as we see it at the Westinghouse Electronic Tube Division, Elmira, N.Y.

(Interviewer) "We're glad you could arrange to come to Elmira to talk over our professional openings."

(Applicant) "I've enjoyed it so far."

(I.) "Good! Looking over your resume, I see that you've been primarily concerned with circuit design problems since you got your degree in '52."

(A.) "That's right. While the work has been quite interesting, I feel that I'd like to get into something a little different something that will make use of my circuit experience and also broaden my background."

(I.) "Do you want to stay in the equipment design field?"

(A.) "Well, no, not necessarily. I'd like to explore some aspects of tube design if you think I might fit in."

(I.) "I think so. It's been our experience that anyone with an E.E. degree has the background for learning design rapidly. This is even more true of those engineers who have taken our fundamentals of vacuum tubes course, here in Elmira. This, along with your experience, should make you highly competent rather quickly."

(A.) "Where would I fit into the Tube Division, then?"

(I.) "There's a possibility in each of several sections—Camera Tube Design, Application Engineering, Receiving Tube Design, and Equipment Development where our own manufacturing and test equipment is designed, to mention only a few. We will arrange interviews with heads of those sections so you can go into detail of our work in each. Is that okay?"

(A.) "Sounds good."



(I.) "Do you have any other questions that can be answered while the interviews are being arranged?"

(A.) "Is there a Pension and Insurance plan?"

(I.) "You bet! Two of the best plans I've seen. Here are short, quickly read booklets describing them. You will find that they cover most every contingency. Incidentally, the life insurance and pension plan goes into effect the day you start to work."

(A.) "What about housing?"

(I.) "It's pretty good. We've been able to find suitable quarters fairly quickly in the past year or so. To help you get located, we'll run an ad in the local papers for you— Elmirans have found that Westinghouse engineers make desirable tenants. There are some good real estate buys available too. Do you go in for outdoor activities?"

(A.) "Whenever possible. Fishing and golf are my favorites. Haven't had much time for either since living in the big city."

(I.) "There's good trout and bass fishing here—both in the streams and the lakes. And \$30. pays your annual greens fees at the 18 hole course about a mile from the plant. There are lots of other activities that might be of interest—chess, little theatre, hiking, bridge, soft ball teams, management club, bowling, bird watching, sailing, community concerts, and others—lot of choice."
(A.) "How about Churches?"

(I.) "I don't know your choice, but I'll bet you'll find it! We have more than 50 churches within a radius of 5 miles. There are excellent Sunday Schools, too."

(A.) "How about the schools here?"

(I.) "Several beautiful schools have been completed recently to take care of the increasing school population. Your youngsters would get the benefit of fine modern schools —and both the public and parochial schools maintain high scholastic standards."

(A.) "Sounds good so far--now about pay."

(I.) "A very important item! After you have had your interviews, I'll get together with those men you talked with and the Wage and Salary Administrator. The contributions we can expect from you, your estimated potential and your relative spot in the organization will be translated into a monthly salary. That will be included in our offer-letter which you will receive soon after your visit. You will find our salaries are very competitive."

(A.) "Any reasonable chance of getting more?"

(I.) "Naturally. There'll be at least a 3% general increase each Fall for the next three years, quarterly cost of living adjustments and periodic performance reviews to determine merit increases. There is nothing 'hit or miss' about our salary program. Promotions are very possible too, in a growing, dynamic organization like Westinghouse."

(A.) "Well-that sounds encouragingand quite challenging too. It seems to me you've covered all my questions very well."

(I.) "Here, let me pin this identification badge on your lapel—and we'll go through the plant and offices on the way to your talks with each of the men with whom appointments have been made. I'll take you to the first one, and he'll 'pass you along' the chain. After the last interview, you will come back to my office for any further questions. We're aware of your travel arrangements—so we shall see that you make your plane home. Let's go meet the Engineering Manager."

If you are interested in advancing your career in the electronics field, we invite you to submit information which may lead to an interview with us at our Tube Division. Our rapidly expanding plants in both Elmira and Bath, N.Y., will give you an opportunity to find satisfaction and challenge in important branches of engineering.

The Elmira-Bath area is a beauty-spot in upstate New York, located at the gateway to the Finger Lakes . . . just the kind of a community you and your family will enjoy.

At present we have opportunities for engineers in Tube Design and Development for Microwave Tubes, Receiving Tubes, Pickup Devices, Power Tubes, Cathode Ray Tubes; Application Engineering, Electrical Equipment Design, Manufacturing Engineering, and in Glass Engineering.

In submitting information concerning your background, phone collect to Westinghouse Electronic Tube Division, Elmira 9-3611 and ask for Robert M. Jarrett in Department T21. (After 5 p.m. or weekends phone collect Elmira 9-2360). If you prefer, write a letter attention above person and Dept., giving basic information, and ask any questions you wish.



ODEL CR-10 Signa-Glow is intended for use where measurement of capacitance and resistance must be made rapidly with moderate accuracy. The bridge, based on the Wheatstone Eridge principle, covers the ranges of 10  $\mu\mu f$  to 200  $\mu f$ , and 5 ohms to 50 megohms.

The null point direct reading is determined visually by observing the two glow tubes, as the pointer knob is turned manually. When the balance position is reached, both lamps extinguish, or occasionally both lamps glow with the same intensity. As the knob is turned past the balance position, the glow shifts from one lamp to the other. The transfer of the glow from one lamp to the other is sharp, which permits precise determination of the null point of balance.

Manufactured by Industrial Development Laboratories, Inc., 17 Pollock Ave., Jersey City, N.J., the instrument is housed in a phenolic case  $3-3/4 \ge 6 \ge 2$  in., and weighs less than 2 pounds.

> Basic wheatstone bridge type circuit incorporating dualnull glow tubes

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you exactly the trimmer you need-with a flat tuning curve like that shown in the drawing.

Supplied with each instrument are a 5 ft line cord for power input of 60 cps, 115 v, as well as test leads, pin prods, test clips and clip adapters.

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DC1/8	Number	Wattage	Max. Rated Voltage	Resistance Range	Standard Length A	Coat Dia. B	Lead Dia
	none	.125	250	4 Ohms 250K	9/32"	5/64"	.016
DC1/4	RN10	.25	300	5 Ohms 1 Meg	17/32"	3/32"	.026
DC1/4A	none	.25	300	5 Ohms 800K	13/32"	3/32"	.026
DC1/2	none	.5	500	6 Ohms 5 Megs	13/16"	11/64"	.032
DC1/2A	RN20	.5	350	3 Ohms 2.2 Megs	19/32"	11/64"	.032
DC1/2B	none	.5	500	3 Ohms 5 Megs	11/16"	15/64"	.032
DC1/2C	RN15	.5	350	2 Ohms 2 Megs	15/32"	11/64"	.032
DC1	RN25	1.0	500	3 Ohms 10 Megs	15/16"	9/32"	.032
DC2	RN30	2.0	1000	10 Ohms 50 Megs	2 1/16"	9/32"	.032
Special coa These resis	atings, sleev tors meet o	ves, lead r exceed s	lengths, etc., pecification M	available. IIL-R-10509A.	Standard lead	length	(C) 1½
DCM1/8	_	1/8	250	10 Ohms 1 Meg	13/32"	.136"	.026
DCM1/4		1/4	300	5 Ohms 1 Meg	19/32"	.219"	.026
DCM1/2		1/2	350	4 Ohms 2.5 Megs	3/4"	.250"	.032
DCM1		1	500	10 Ohms 10 Megs	1 7/64"	.395"	.032
DCM2		2	1000	30 Ohms 20 Megs	2 15/64"	.395"	.032
All lead ler	ngths (C) 13	'a". These	resistors me	et or exceed	specification	MIL-R-10	509B.
HC 1		1/4	250	4 0hms 250K	15/32"	5/32"	.016
HC 2		1/3	300	5 Ohms 1 Meg	3/4"	3/16"	.026
HC 3		1/2	350	-3 Ohms 2.2 Megs	11/16"	1/4"	.032
HC 4		1	500	3 Ohms 5 Megs	7/8"	5/16"	.032
HC 5		1	500	6 Ohms 5 Megs	1″	9/32"	.032
-		2	500	3 Ohms 10 Megs	1 1/8"	3/8"	.032
100		3	1000	10 Ohms 50 Megs	2 1/4"	3/8"	.032
HC 7		-	300	5 Ohms 800K	15/32"	5/32"	.026
HC 7 HC 10		1/4	500				

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Human Engineered Instrument

DESIGNED for reliability, visual and mechanical efficiency, and virtual elimination of deterents to human accuracy. the Types 401 Oscillograph and 404 Pulse Generator shown are manufactured by Allen B. Du Mont Labs., Inc., 750 Bloomfield Ave., Clifton, N. J.

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Additional features of interest to designers include revised cabinet shapes, new let tering styles, new control knobs logically grouped, and the extensive use of pushpush switches, all in sharp contrasting colors. The color and lay-out scheme accentuates the main controls on the front panel while subsidiary controls are subjugated. Certain knob or control lettering has been eliminated by locating controls at their obvious functional positions on the front panel.

Among a number of new construction techniques is the complete encirclement of units with sturdy castings which provide excellent mechanical protection. Careful circuit design, conservatively rated components, and an exacting quality control program improve instrument reliability under continuous operation and adverse field conditions. A particularly significant feature of the 400 Series instruments is the use of fall-away side panels, to minimize down times or adjustments for parts replacements.

A functional front panel color scheme, a unique tuning dial, and push-button attenuation, are some of the outstanding features of 404 Pulse Genera-PRUSE GENERAT 17



This Type, 401 "human-engineered" oscillograph features ruggedness and reliability together with operating ease.

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Using the chart is simply a matter of locating the rectangular components of an impedance (r + jx) in the lower half of the chart, and then reading its polar components  $(z/\theta)$  in the upper half of the diagram.

Although the accuracy of this chart is not as good as slide-rule computations, it is a useful time-saver for rough estimating and checking. Its best accuracy is obtained by scaling the r, x, and z components to avoid the regions of the chart where the respective contours are crowded. For example in converting z = 10 / 53 to rectangular form, it is advisable to use a scaling factor of say 10, in order to work near the middle of the chart; thus, the chart is entered with z' = z/10 = 1.0 / 53, and the rectangular components r' = 0.6, x' = 0.8 are found as indicated in the example. The angle  $\theta$  is, of course, not scaled. The final results are r = 10 r' = 6.0, x = 10 x' = 8.0, i.e., z = 6.0 + i 8.0.

Example: To convert z = 0.4 + j 0.3 (rectangular form) to the polar form  $|z| / \theta$ :

- (1) Locate intersection A of the r = 0.4 and x = 0.3 contours on the lower half of the chart.
- (2) Draw a straight line from point A through the center of the chart C, and extend it into the upper half of the chart
- to point B, such that distance  $\overline{BC}$  equals distance  $\overline{AC}$ . (3) At point B, read  $z = 0.5 \theta \cong 37$  deg.

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# Modern Synthesis Network Design From Tables – III

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ABLES presented in this series of articles make the design of three classes of practical networks simple. The tables give the element values for the normalized low-pass network with a Butterworth, Tschebyscheff, or Bessel-polynomial characteristic. To convert the normalized element values to practical design values requires only simple multiplications. The low-pass networks that are realized can also be transformed in a straightforward manner to serve highpass, band-pass, or band-elimination functions. In Part I, Butterwork Characteristics were covered (ED Sept. 15, 1956, p 22). In Part II, several Tschebyscheff characteristics were covered. (ED Oct. 1, 1956, p. 22.) In this part, Bessel functions for constant time delays are given. Part IV will cover conversion and transformation data and additional Tschebyscheff characteristics.

### **Bessel Polynomials**

The preceding two sets of Butterworth and Tschebyscheff polynomials were used in the approximation of a desired *magnitude* characteristic. However, the nonlinear phase characteristic of both approximations and the resulting variation of the time delay preclude their use where a constant time delay is a paramount requirement. For such time-delay filters an excellent approximation is given by the use of Bessel polynomials.<sup>5:6.7</sup> This approximation yields a maximallyflat time delay along with a low-pass magnitude characteristic.

The Bessel polynomials in the variable 1/s are defined by

$$\mathbf{y}_{n}(1/s) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} = \frac{(n+k)!}{(n-k)!k!(2s)^{k}}$$
(7)

The polynomials of interest are derived from the above as

 $h_n(s) = s^n y_n(1/s)$  $= \sum_{k=0}^n a_k s^k$ 

(8)

(9)

The coefficients of  $h_n$  for *n* running from 1 through 11 are given in Table III-4, the zeros are listed in Table III-5.

The transfer function is given by

$$Z_{21}(s) = \frac{H}{h_n(s)}$$

The constant H is equal to  $a_0$  for a ladder terminated in a 1-ohm resistance, that is, for this configuration at s = 0,  $Z_{21}(0)$  is unity. This transfer function has a maximally-flat time delay. By this is meant that the time delay  $t_d$  is given by a function of the form

$$t_{d} = \frac{d\theta}{d\omega} = \frac{t_{0} (b_{0} + b_{1}\omega^{2} + b_{2}\omega^{4} + \dots + b_{n-1}\omega^{2n-2})}{b_{0} + b_{1}\omega^{2} + b_{2}\omega^{4} + \dots + b_{n-1}\omega^{2n-2} + b_{n}\omega^{2n}}$$
(10)

where 0 is the phase of  $Z_{21}(j\omega)$ , and  $t_0$  is the zerofrequency time delay. It is noted that the first (n-1)coefficients of the denominator are equal to the corresponding coefficients of the numerator. Therefore the Maclaurin series for  $t_d$  obtained by dividing the numerator by the denominator, namely,

$$\frac{d\theta}{d\omega} = t_0 \left( 1 - \frac{b_n}{b_0} \omega^{2n} + \frac{b_1 b_n}{b_0^2} \omega^{2n+2} - \dots \right) \quad (11)$$

will have the first (n-1) derivatives of  $t_d$  (considered as a function of  $\omega^2$ ) at  $\omega = 0$  equal to zero. Thus the time delay is as flat as possible in the vicinity of  $\omega = 0$ ; hence the term maximally-flat time delay. The delay is very closely equal to  $t_0$ , the zero-frequency value, up to a certain frequency (which is an increasing function of n), and then declines smoothly for values greater than this frequency.

To determine the value of n to use for satisfying a specific requirement, it is necessary to have expressions for the magnitude and time delay. We give here the exact expressions in terms of Bessel functions of half an odd integer<sup>\*</sup>; but most often the values of the magnitude and time delay for varying n given in Table III-1 suffice so that the need for using the exact analytical form is eliminated. The time delay is given by

$$a = t_0 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{u^2 \left( \frac{\pi}{2u} \left\{ J^2_{-n-1}(u) + J^2_{n+1}(u) \right\} \right)} \right]$$
(12)

and the magnitude is

$$Z_{21}(ju) = \frac{H}{u^{n+1} \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2u} \left[ J^{2}_{-n-} (u) + J^{2}_{n+\frac{1}{2}} (u) \right] \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$
(13)

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### Table III-l Significant Values of u for Time Delay and Loss Characteristic of a Maximally-Flat Time-Delay Network

a) Time-Delay Table: Giving Frequencies(u) at which Time Delay Deviates a Speci- fied Value from its Zero-Frequency Value			b) Loss (L = -20 log $ Z_{21}(ju) $ , in db) Table: Giving Frequencies (u) at which Loss is a Specified Number of db Down from its Zero- Frequency Value						
n	u for 1% deviation	u for 50% deviation	n	u for $\frac{1}{2}$ db	u for 1 db	u for 3 db			
1	0.10	1.00	1	0.35	0.51	1.00			
2	0.56	2.20	2	0.57	0.80	1.36			
3	1.21	3.40	3	0.75	1.05	1.75			
4	1.93	4.60	4	0.89	1.25	2.13			
5	2.71	5.78	5	1.01	1.43	2.42			
6	3.52	6.97	6	1.12	1.58	2.70			
7	4.36	8.15	7	1.22	1.72	2.95			
8	5.22	9.33	8	1.31	1.85	3.17			
9	6.08	10.50	9	1.40	1.97	3.39			
0	6.96	11.67	10	1.48	2.08	3.58			
1	7.85	12.84	11	1.55	2.19	3.77			

The loss in db,  $L = -20 \log |Z_{21}(ju)|$ , tends to the Gaussian form with increasing n,

$$L = \frac{10 \ u^2}{(2n-1) \ 1n \ 10}$$

(14)

(15)

In the above formulas u is the normalized frequency variable  $\omega/\omega_0$  and J is a Bessel function. Use of Eq. 14 gives the 3 db bandwidth as

$$u_{3\,db} \cong \sqrt{(2n-1)} \, 1n \, 2$$
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which approximation is good for  $n \ge 3$ .

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In Table III-1 are given values of u for two significant points on the time-delay curves and three significant points on the loss curves. The element values corresponding to the values of n of 1 through 11 are given in Table III-2 for a network terminated in a resistance at the output end. The impedance level is normalized with respect to the output resistance so that  $R_1 = 1$ .

#### Example

Design a ladder network with a delay of 0.1 µsec and a constant loss (not greater than 1 db) up to 3 mc/s. The network is to be terminated in a load resistance of 2000 ohms and is to be driven by a current source.

Since  $t_0 = 1/\omega_0 = 0.1$  µsec, then  $\omega_0 = 10^7$ . For f =3mc/s,  $\omega = 6\pi \times 10^{\circ}$ , and  $\omega/\omega_{o} = 0.6\pi$ , which is approximately 1.9.

Using Table III-1 for u = 1.9, we see that for n = 7the loss is less than 1 db. Now by using Table III-1a, it is seen that the time delay for n = 7 is constant at this frequency.

Consulting Table III-2, we find the element values for n = 7; the unprimed values are used since n is odd and the input is a current source. We remove the normalization by multiplying C's by  $1/R\omega_0 = 0.5 x$  $10^{-10}$ , and L's by  $R/\omega_0 = 2x 10^{-4}$ , and thus obtain the final network given in Fig. III-1.

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Table III - 2

Element Values (in ohms, henrys, farads) of a Maximally-Flat Time-Delay Network with Resistance Termination at Load End ( $R_1 = 1$  for all values of n). (For this case unprimed values correspond to a current-source input for n odd and to a voltage-source input for n even.)

alue of n	C1 or L1	L2 or C'2	C3 or L3	L4 or C4	C5 or L5	L or C'	C7 or L7	L8 or C'8	C <sub>9</sub> or L <sub>9</sub>	L10 or C10	C11 or L'11
1	1.0000										
2	0.33,33	1.0000									
3	0.1667	0.4800	0.8333								
4	0.1000	0.2899	0.4627	0.7101							
5	0.0667	0.1948	0.3103	0.4215	0.6231						
6	0.0476	0.1400	0.2246	0.3005	0. 3821	0.5595			*		
7	0.0357	0.1055	0.1704	0.2288	0.2827	0.3487	0.5111				
8	0.0278	0.0823	0.1338	0.1806	0.2227	0.2639	0. 3212	0 4732			
9	0.0222	0.0660	0, 1077	0.1463	0.1811	0.2129	0.2465	0 2986	0 4424		
10	0.0182	0.0541	0.0886	0.1209	0.1549	0.1880	0.2057	0.2709	0.2712	0 4161	
11	0.0152	0.0451	0.0741	0.1016	0.1269	0.1499	0.1708	0.1916	0.2175	0.2639	0. 3955

Table Exact Maxi	e III-3 t Coefficien mally-Flat	ts of the Pol Time-Delay	ynomials h Networks	$(s) = s^n + a$	n - 1 <sup>8</sup> - 1	$a_n - 2^{s^n}$	- 2 + • • •	+ a 1 s	+ a <sub>o</sub>	Used	for
	<u>a_</u>	<u>*1</u>	*2	<u>*3</u>	*	*5	*6	*7	*8	*9	-10
1	1						-		-	-	-
2	3	3									
3	15	. 15	6								

105	105	45	10							
945	945	420	105	15						
10, 395	10, 395	4, 725	1,260	210	21					
135,135	135, 135	62, 370	17, 325	3,150	378	28				
2,027,025	2,027,025	945, 945	270, 270	51,975	6,930	630	36			
34, 459, 425	34, 459, 425	16, 216, 200	4, 729, 725	945, 945	135,135	13,860	990	45		
654, 729, 075	654, 729, 075	310, 134, 825	91, 891, 800	18,918,900	2,837,835	315, 315	25,750	1,485	55	
13, 749, 310, 575	13, 749, 310, 575	6, 547, 290, 750	1,964,187,225	413, 513, 100	64, 324, 260	7, 567, 560	675,675	45,045	2,145	66



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-2.8962106 ±j0.8672341; -2.1037894 ±j2.6574180

- -3.6467386; -3.3519564 ±j1.7426614; -2.3246743 ±j3.5710229
- -4. 2483594 1j0. 8675097; -3. 7357084 1j2. 6262723; -2. 5159322 1j4. 4926730
- -4.9717869; -4.7582905 ±j1.7392861; -4.0701392 ±j3.5171740; -2.6856769 ±j5.4206941
- -5.5878860 tj0.8676144; -2.8389840 tj6.3539113; -4.3682892 tj4.4144425; -5.2048408 tj2.6161751
- -6.2970193; -6.1293679 tj1.7378484; -5.6044218 tj3.4981573; -4.6384399 tj5.3172717; -2.9792608 tj7.2914637
- -6.9220449 tj0.8676651; -3.1089162 tj8.2326995; -6.6152916 tj2.6115683; -5.9675282 tj4.3849471; -4.8862195 tj6.2249855 10

-7.6223398; -6.3013375 tj5.2761917; -5.1156483 tj7.1370208; -7.4842299 tj1.737028; -7.0578924 tj3.4890145; -3.2297221 tj9.1771116 11



Fig. III-1 Time-delay ladder obtained in example at right.



# **Reluctance Amplifier**

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It is possible to employ vacuum tubes shunted across coils B and C respectively to produce the various degrees of short circuit which would be required to produce a smooth and proportional control of the power into the load. However, because the range of im-

# Comparison of Reluctance Amplifier with Conventional Types

A comparison of three reluctance amplifiers with amplifiers of other types in the adjacent table serves to show the achievement of the desirable objectives of low size and weight per watt output, together with absence of undesirable feature (time constant, drift, etc.). All figures given are obtained from the advertised characteristics of typical reputable amplifiers of other types. Note when comparing these figures that a. all examples contain built-in preamplifier except example "B"; b. all operate directly from 115 v 400 cps power except that example A includes external power supply (see footnote  $\pm$ ); and c. types 1123 and 1124 are of accessible chassis type construction for easy servicing while examples A, B, and C are sealed or potted units.

From the last two columns of the table, it is seen that the reluctance amplifier achieves a saving of weight and size of 40 to 70% over a conventional vacum tube amplifier. Further, it equals or betters the weight and size of the magnetic and transistor-magnetic amplifiers in most applications, and has no drift or time lag.

Class of Amplifier (all 400 cps)	Symbol	Rated Power Output, Watts	Power Gain at Rated Power Output	MIL Type Construc- tion	Weight, Lbs.	Volume, Cu. In.	Bandwidth or Response Time	Max. Zero Drift (% of Max. Output Voltage	Line Freq. Vari- ations (from published ratings)	Pounds per Watt Output	Cubic Inches per Watt Output
Reluctance											
Amplifier	1121	10*	1 × 10 <sup>8</sup>	No	3.5	66	**	None	No	0.35*	6.6 <b>*</b>
	1123	8	1.6 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	Yes	2.95	106	**	None	No	0.37	13.3
	1124	8	8 x 10 <sup>9</sup>	Yes	3.25	106	**	None	No	0.41	13.3
Vacuum Tube		10	( ) 107		( 0 )	1611	the star			0 (0	161
Amplifier	A	10	6.4 x 10'	Yes	6.3‡	151‡	**	None	No	0.63	15.1
Magnetic Amplifier	Bţ	15	1.3 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	Yes	3.8	70	0.1 sec.	14%	±10%	0.25	<b>4.</b> 7
Transistor- Magnetic		7	0 107	N/	0.05	10	70	0.8/	. 50/	0.20	E 7
Amplitier		/	2 x 10 <sup>2</sup>	Yes	2.25	40	/U cps	9%	±5%	0.32	<b>J</b> ./

Footnotes

\* Rated at 18 watts output when in reversing or intermittent service. At

18w, Ib/w output is 0.20 and cu. in./w is 3.7.

\*\* Information bandwidth limited only by use of 400 cps carrier.

† When using 3000 ohm forcing resistor to shorten time constant to .1 second.

t Figures include prorata portion of plate and heater power supply furnished specifically for multiple installations of this type amplifier.



of reluctance amplifier.

pedances of vacuum tubes is ordinarily higher than that of common servo motors, it is preferable to utilize the circuit of Fig. 2. The control coils, D and E, may have a different number of turns than the load coils B and C, thus achieving the required effect together with an impedance transformation. If the load is a phase sensitive device, such as a two-phase induction motor, a reversible proportional control is achieved.

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The amplifier's power supply is self-contained. The center leg of the transformer is utilized to produce conventional filament and "B" supply voltages, since the total flux carried by the center leg is related to the primary winding in the same manner as in an ordinary power transformer. Windings F and G are provided to supply respectively "B" supply voltage for a preamplifier and heater voltage for all tubes.

With the circuit shown in Fig. 3, the power tubes are normally biased near cut off so that the efficiency and low no-load losses of a class B amplifier are achieved. AC input signals are applied to two of the



Fig. 1. Principle of "Reluctance Amplifier"

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Fig. 4. Eighteen-watt reluctance amplifier.

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Fig. 3. Circuit diagram of a-c model

Fig. 5. Eight-watt ac input reluctance amplifier.

Fig. 6. Eight-watt dc input reluctance amplifier, Model 1124.

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# Designing Deflection Systems Around Available Tubes

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T HE design of magnetic deflection systems for television receivers depends to a large extent on the tubes used, their uniformity, variation of characteristics in use, etc. It is the purpose here to consider the various factors that tubes impose on design and to give some suggestions for satisfactory circuit development.

Linear deflection of the electron beam in a cathoderay tube, using a magnetic deflection system, requires that the current through the deflection coils approach a sawtooth waveform as in Fig. 1. The required peakto-peak amplitude of this sawtooth is determined by the deflection voke, the type of cathode-ray tube, and the accelerating voltage used. The deflection coils will produce a magnetic field whose strength is proportional to the applied current. Therefore, to produce a linear deflection of the electron beam, the current passing through the coils must increase linearly. The retrace must occur within approximately five percent of the total sweep time; therefore, the coil current must drop sharply to its starting value. These requirements define a sawtooth current waveshape. A typical value for a 27 ALP4 90° cathode-ray tube, with 16.5 kv accelerating voltage, is 460 ma peak-to-peak.

In order to supply this large change in current, a power output stage must be used. Its design is very similar to an audio ouput power amplifier where the primary consideration is a linear change in plate current. Either triodes or triode-connected beam-power tubes are used. A pentode can and has been used, but its application is more critical since the non-linearities in the plate characteristics must be avoided. The typical pentode plate characteristics exhibit a sharp decrease in the plate current at the lower plate voltages. This sharp change from almost constant plate current is often referred to as the knee of the  $E_p$ - $I_p$  curve. To maintain a linear variation in plate current, the operating load line must be kept above the knee region. Since the slope of the load line is determined by the load impedance, this restricts the impedance to a certain maximum value.

The driving circuit for the output stage is a 60 cy, self-oscillating sawtooth generator. The two most popular types of circuits used for this stage are the multivibrator and the blocking oscillator. Neither of these circuits has any significant advantage over the other. The multivibrator requires two triodes and the blocking oscillator one. This apparent advantage of the blocking oscillator is equalized by designing the multivibrator to operate with the output amplifier as the second triode.

The frequency of the oscillator is determined by the RC time constant in its grid circuit. The oscillator tube is held at cut-off until the grid condenser discharging through the grid resistor reaches cut-off. To allow for synchronizing the sawtooth generator to the incoming signal, it is commonly designed to operate at slightly under 60 cy. A positive sync signal having an amplitude of 3 or 4 v is usually applied to the cut-off grid of the oscillator just before it would normally go into conduction. This drives the tube into conduction and locks the oscillator to the incoming sync signal frequency. Because of this requirement, the cut-off point of the oscillator tube must be sharp and must be held within fairly narrow limits.

The waveshape of a typical exponential condenser discharge with superimposed sync pulses, which might appear on the grid of the oscillator, is shown in Fig. 2. In either type of oscillator circuit, the sync



Fig. 1. Block diagram showing the required circuitry and desired wave forms for the vertical deflection system.







Fig. 3. Compensation of nonlinearity in the transfer characteristics by making grid voltage wave form slightly convex.



Fig. 4. Design of output amplifier made by using plate characteristic curves.

Note: The elliptical dynamic load line is exaggerated to emphasize the complex plate load impedance.

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pulse must be of sufficient amplitude and occur at such a time as to initiate conduction. Once enough plate current is flowing, positive feedback will force it into full conduction. If the tube has a remote cutoff characteristic, then the point of conduction will vary, thereby varying the oscillator frequency. A remote cut-off tube will also require a larger sync pulse to initiate feedback. A sharp point of intersection between the cut-off voltage and the grid voltage waveform will insure a more stable oscillator frequency. If the cut-off voltage is not held within narrow limits from tube to tube, then the time of cut-off intersection with the discharge waveform will vary, thereby varying the oscillator frequency.

Although tube manufacturers conduct the necessary tests to hold their production within reasonable limits, the set designers must still provide a vertical hold control to adjust for the natural variance in tube and component characteristics or changes with life. The hold control can be used in either of two ways. The bias on the tube may be changed or the RC time constant may be changed. Either of these will control the time of intersection or frequency.

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The exact voltage waveform presented to the grid of the output amplifier is dependent upon the values of resistance and inductive reactance in the amplifier plate circuit. To obtain a sawtooth of current in a pure inductive circuit would require a squarewave voltage on the grid. To obtain a sawtooth of current in a pure resistive circuit would require a sawtooth voltage on the grid. Since the plate circuit impedance contains both, the grid voltage must be a combination of the two waveforms which is a trapezoidal waveforms, However, at 60 cy the plate impedance is predominantly resistive so that it requires only a small step portion in the waveform. This step portion of the trapezoid is obtained by putting a resistor in series with the charging condenser to ground.

The transfer characteristic of the amplifier tube will also affect the exact voltage waveform desired at its grid. All tubes show some degree of non-linearity in the transfer characteristic as can be seen by the concave nature of the typical curve in Fig. 3. To a certain degree, this can be compensated for by making the grid voltage waveform slightly convex as shown. Since the sawtooth portion of the waveform is derived from the exponential charge of a condenser, this is easily accomplished.

Any vertical non-linearities appearing in the raster, excluding those caused by defective circuit components, can usually be attributed to variations of the output amplifier's transfer characteristic. Compression at the top of the raster is caused by an irregularity of the transfer characteristics in the region of the cut-off. It is due to a remote cut-off effect where the plate current levels off at some finite value, usually due to a wide spacing in the grid laterals. Compression can also occur at the bottom of the raster which is also due to leveling off the plate current. In this case, the leveling off is in the higher plate current region. This can be carried a step further, to where the plate cur-



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Stretching of certain portions of the raster can also occur. As would be expected, this is caused by a too high transconductance in some parts of the transfer characteristic curve. It is commonly found in the top raster where the concave portion of the curve may be unusually linear. As has been mentioned above, the concave nature of the transfer characteristic is necessary due to the nature of the applied waveshape. The vertical linearity control allows for adjusting the operating point of the tube for optimum linearity.

Knowing the peak-to-peak amplitude of the sawtooth current required by a particular cathode-ray tube and deflection yoke, the proper design of the output amplifier is best illustrated by using the plate characteristic curves of the tube directly as shown in Fig. 4. The static load line is determined by the de resistance of the output transformer primary. Since this is small (a few hundred ohms), the static load line will extend almost vertically from the  $E_{bb}$  point. The quiescent operating point and dynamic load line should be chosen such as to obtain the maximum linear variation in plate current with the minimum grid voltage variation. The required bias is obtained by a by-passed cathode resistor. Part of this resistor is usually made variable to provide for a vertical linearity control.

The output transformer has a step-down ratio to provide for impedance matching between the low impedance deflection coils and the relatively high plate impedance of the tube. The load impedance presented to the tube is equal to  $Z_{pri} + N^2 Z_{seo}$ ; where  $Z_{pri}$  is the total primary impedance, n is the turns ration and  $Z_{seo}$  is the total secondary impedance including the deflection coils. A turns ratio should be chosen so that the load impedance to the tube will yield the desired dynamic load line. The leakage impedance of the output transformer is so small that it may be neglected. The transformer itself may be either an auto transformer or an isolated-winding transformer.

The type of tube chosen in combination with its output transformer must be capable of delivering the required yoke current variation. Since the transformer steps up the current by a factor equal to its turns ratio, the tube must be able to supply a linear current change of  $\frac{I_{sec}}{n}$ . In the new low B+ sets, this requirement is difficult to obtain with the presentely available tube types. Some manufacturers are using the boost voltage to supply B+- to the vertical output. This puts an added burden on the horizontal output section in that it must be capable of supplying the added power. The solution to the problem, and one which all the tube companies are working toward, is a new double triode tube which will combine the vertical oscillator and output tubes in one envelope. One half of the tube must be a low voltage, high-current triode for the output circuit. Ideally, this would

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e high current at zero or very low plate voltage. The ther half need only be a medium-mu low-power tube with sharp cut-off for the oscillator circuit. The miniare 12BH7 double triode working off the boost voltge is a good example of what is currently being used o satisfy the dual circuit requirement. Under these conditions, however, there are the problems of total heat dissipation and cut-off. With the tube operating at or near its maximum ratings, its life may be greatly reduced and any slight variation in its characteristics are more apt to cause a visible effect on the raster. In the 12BH7, the concave portion in the cut-off region of the transfer characteristic curve is critical because the complete curve is being used to obtain the needed plate current change.

Now that the critical design parameters of the tubes in the vertical deflection circuit have been pointed out, it would be worthwhile mentioning some of the less critical parameters that can cause troubles.

In selecting a tube to be used for a vertical deflection application, the designer should take into consideration the peak positive pulse voltage rating of the tube. During the vertical retrace time the plate of the output tube must be capable of withstanding up to a 1500 v positive pulse without arcing. The pulse is developed across ethe plate load inductance when the output tube is driven sharply to cut-off at the end of the trace time.

As has been pointed out above, a large linear change in plate current is the main consideration of the output stage. Loss of vertical raster height is a common trouble that can often be attributed to a defective output tube. It can be caused by a slump in emission, gas, or grid current. Any of these tend to decrease the plate current, thereby reducing the output. The vertical height control provides for some compensation. The height control is usually a variable resistor in the RC time constant circuit which provides the sawtooth portion of the trapezoidal grid voltage waveform. Varying this control varies the amplitude of the driving waveform by changing the RC time constant.

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Two other common troubles worthy of note are heater-cathode leakage and microphonic noise in either the sawtooth generator or output amplifier tubes. Heater-cathode leakage will cause more or less stationary non-linearities of the vertical sweep because it will modulate the sweep waveform at 60 or 120 cy. Microphonic noise in either of these tubes will cause horizontal bars to appear on the picture which will drift either up or down, depending upon the frequency of the noise.

The variations in tube characteristics have long been recognized. This is evidenced by the existence of vertical height, hold, and linearity controls. Most of the trouble mentioned can often be overcome or minimized by these controls; but frequently, as in the case of the 12BH7, the tube is being used too close to is limits with very little safety factor. This is partic larly true in the new low B+ sets.

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UNQUESTIONABLY the design engineer today who is working in any phase of audio must be high fidelity conscious. One of the methods in popular use of achieving better fidelity, and the same time a type of binaural effect is the use of multiple speakers. The manner in which the Telefunken, an imported German made receiver, matches 6 speakers to a push-pull audio output stage is deserving of your interest.

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The electrostatic speakers are connected through a high pass filter network, inasmuch as these speakers should become effective at approximately 6-7000 cps, dependent somewhat on the load the air presents to them. A switch is in the circuit to cut these speakers in or out as desired. The speakers are parallel connected. One end of the electrostatic speaker feed is taken from the plate of tube 9 at which both B plus and audio are present. The other end is fed to ground through a 1-M resistor W48 which completes the electrostatic voltage circuit for the speakers. The audio is coupled through a high pass filter, a 2200 mmf capacitor C65 which controls the cut-in point of the speakers. The 0.01 mfd-capacitor C66 has a low reactance to these frenquencies, and in conjunction with W48 and W47, acts as a low frequency de-coupling network.



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# Nomogram For **Some Transistor**

# **Parameters**

OST transistor test equipment is designed for determining the short-circuit current amplification factor, alpha ( $\alpha$ ), by measuring either the quantity (1- $\alpha$ ), or the current amplification factor in the common emitter configuration, beta ( $\beta$ ). Measurements of either of these parameters enable  $\alpha$  to be determined to three place accuracy. However, in order to achieve this accuracy, when determining  $\alpha$  from a measurement of  $\beta$ , the calculation must usually be made using long division. The nomagram permits alpha to be determined directly.

The relationship for making this calculation, with the assumptions required for its use, is as follows:

		Tm.		$r_m + r_b$
a	=		α =	
		re.		$r_c + r_b$

Therefore if

$$r_m > > r_b$$
 and  $r_c > > r_b$   
 $lpha \cong a$ 

Beta is defined as

$$\beta = \frac{a}{1-a}$$

Therefore

$$\beta \cong \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \quad \text{or} \quad \alpha \cong \frac{\beta}{1+\beta}$$

- a = Current amplification factor Where
  - $r_c = equivalent collector resistance$
  - $r_m =$  equivalent emitter-collector transresistance
  - $r_b = equivalent base resistance$
  - $\alpha$  = short-circuit current amplification factor in the common base configuration
  - $\beta$  = current amplification factor in the common emitter configuration

An important parameter in transistor-circuit design is the alpha cutoff frequency,  $f_{ao}$ . This is defined as



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Nomagram of transistor parameter relationships.

Howard Lefkowitz Naval Ordnance Laboratory White Oak, Silver Spring, Maryland

the frequency at which  $/\alpha/$  is 3 db below its low frequency value. Since in present commercially available transistors this parameter may range as high as 30 mc, its measurement presents many problems. A method of doing this indirectly, used by several commercially available test sets, is to measure the beta cutoff frequency or the frequency at which the  $/\beta/$  is 3 db below its low frequency value. Since this parameter is on the order of 100 kc, the measurement problems are greatly reduced. Knowing the low frequency value of alpha,  $\alpha_o$ , and the beta cutoff frequency, the following relationship may be used for determining  $f_{\alpha o}$ :

$$f_{\alpha o} \cong \frac{f_{\beta o}}{1 - \alpha_o}$$

The accompanying nomogram allows the direct determination of alpha, knowing either  $1-\alpha$  or  $\beta$ , to three place accuracy. The parameter  $f_{ao}$  may then be directly determined knowing  $1-\alpha$  and  $f_{\beta o}$ .

#### Example

An example of the use of this nomogram is as follows: Measurement of  $\beta = 49$ Reading directly off the  $\alpha/\beta$  scale  $\alpha = 0.98$ Laying a straight edge from the  $\beta$  line to the 1- $\alpha$  line  $1-\alpha = 0.02$ Measurement of  $f_{\beta_0} = 20$  kc Laying a straight edge intersecting the value determined for 1- $\alpha$  and the measured value for  $f_{\beta_0}$  results in a value for  $f_{\alpha_0}$  of

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**as** 

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$$f_{a0} = 1.0 \, {\rm mc}$$

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He asked, "What are you doing?"

The first one replied, "I'm cutting stone, of course. That's plain to see."

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International Rectifier Corp., Dept. ED, El Segundo, Calif.

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## **Power Oscillator**

Covers 200 to 2500 Mc



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The oscillator is equipped for square-wave or sine-wave modulation from built-in 400 cps and 1000 cps sources. Provision is also made to allow modulation at other frequencies from a suitable external source. Modulation level and rf output level are adjustable over wide ranges.

The instrument comprises an oscillator unit and a power-supply modulator unit, each contained in a well ventilated  $11-1/2 \ge 9-1/2 \ge 20-1/2$  in. metal case.

Maxson Instruments Div., The W. L. Maxon Corp., Dept. ED, 47-37 Austell Pl., Long Island City 1, N.Y.

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Berkeley Div., Beckman Instruments, Dept. 1352, 2200 Wright Ave., Richmond, Calif.

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#### **Standard Diameters**



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Output :	325-525 VDC, 0-200 ma DC 6.3 v. 10 amp AC
DC Regulation :	0.15% or 0.3 v. (whichever is greater) against line
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Potter Instrument Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 115 Cutter Mill Rd., Great Neck, N.Y.

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Kay Electric Co., Dept. ED, 14 Maple Ave., Pine Brook, N.J.

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## Oscilloscope

### For Non-Repetitive Events



Model 2100-A-1 is a dual channel oscilloscope, 100 mc nominal, for the study of nonrepetitive phenomena having rapid rise time. It has amplitude with better than 70 db gain. At-

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Sweep is variable in steps from 500 milli $\mu$ sec/in. to 100  $\mu$ sec/in. Time axis positioning is common for both channels; sweep gain expansion as required. Automatic lock-out is provided. Maximum repitition rate is 25/minute (approx). Calibration marks are provided at 1  $\mu$ sec and 0.2  $\mu$ sec intervals, controlled from a 1000 kc crystal. The unit has comb-type presentation, with amplitude variable.

The instrument is provided with a control desk which handles time axis position and gain, synchronization selection, calibration gain, amplitude axis position, sweep duration, and polarity of synchronization. Intensity and focus controls are located adjacent to the desk. Overall dimensions are  $44 \times 65 \times 60$  in. high. The control desk projects an additional 18-1/2 in.

Electronic Tube Corp., Dept. ED, Philadelphia, Pa,

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Both tubes have standard neck ameter, 90 deg. deflection, and elecostatic focus. Anode voltage is 13.2 y, absolute maximum, and nominal yerall length is 11-7/16 in.

The new tubes weigh 3 lb 10 oz nd have an approximate screen area 56-1/2 sq in. Better contrast is proided by gray filter glass which subantially increases picture contrast. he tubes have spherical faceplates. he ST-1926 is aluminized, while the T-1925 is not. Both Types are availple for engineering evaluation.

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EECO Production Co., Dept. E 506 E. First St., Santa Ana, Calif.

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### **Of Metal Film on Fibre Glass**

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Filmohm Corp., Dept. ED, 48 W 25th St., New York 10, N.Y.

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## TWT Amplifier For 2-4 Mc Region



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Panel equipment includes trim controls for the grid, anode, and helix, plus a meter and selector switch for monitoring cathode, anode, helix, and collector currents. Necessary line potentials are regulated; the tube cathode is protected by a time delay; and automatic tube protection is provided against helix-current overload.

Amplitude-modulated by the traveling-wave-tube grid, the amplifier has these characteristics: bandwidth is dc to (approx) 100 mc; pulse rise-time is (approx) 5 milliusec at max power output; pulse delay is (approx) 15 milliusec.

Phase-modulated by the traveling-wave-tube helix, the amplifier has a bandwidth 10 cps to 10 mc and requires approximately 30 v input for  $\pm$  180 deg phase shift.

Wave/Particle Corp., Dept. ED, 858 Kaynyne St., Redwood City, Calif.

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## Headset

## **Provides "3-D" Hearing**

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Shafts are available in round, flat, or screwdriver slotted styles 1/2, 7/8, 1, 1-1/4, and 2-1/2 in. long. Weighing only 1.2 oz, the potentiometer operates over an ambient range of -55 to 125 C. It operates at 100 per cent power to 40 C, derating to 0 to 125 C.

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Pulse Modulator

## Provides up to 50 Kv Pulses

The Model PC 40 Pulse Modulator, when used with an appropriate high-voltage dc supply, provides up to 50 kv positive output pulses. Pulse width is continuously variable from 5-200 µsec at repetition rates up to 1 kc. Both pulse width and repetition rate are controlled continuously by knobs located at ground level. Pulse rise and pulse fall times are

both 1  $\mu$ sec independent of pulse length. Sag on the flat top of the pulse is determined primarily by the size of the output filter-capacitor used in the high-voltage power supply.

This pulse modulator was designed primarily to operate into a high-impedance load such as that represented by the modulating anode utilized in many high-power klystrons. Nominal load impedance is 1 megohm shunted by 25 mmfd. The equipment includes a floating deck which is tied to the modulating anode and switched to ground by an appropriate 50 kv tetrode. Also included is an internal trigger generator for determining pulse length and repetition rate. Total power requirements are 2 kw from a 120 v 50/60 cps source.

Levinthal Electronic Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 2758 Fair Oaks Ave., Redwood City, Calif.

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This instrument has manually-selected ranges of: ac, 0.01-999 v; dc, 0.001-999 v; and ohms, 1 ohm to 9.99 megohms. A high input impedance (dc volts, 11 megohms; ac volts, 1.5 megohms) presents a very small load to the circuit under measurement. A short balance time of 1 sec (average) permits high readout and printing rates.

Printer connection and automatic printer controls are available for use with parallel entry data printers. A scanner for use with serial entry data printers and complete printing systems also are available. The portable instrument is  $11 \times 8-1/4 \times 15-1/8$  in. deep. Rack mount:  $5-1/4 \times 19 \times 15-1/8$ in. deep.

Non-Linear Systems Inc., Dept. ED, Del Mar Airport, Del Mar, Calif.

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Universal Atomics Corp., Dept. ED, 19 East 48th St., New York 17, N. Y.

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mum operating temperature is 75 C. Projected cathode area is 4.68 sq in. Spectral response is S4. Maximum anode voltage is 90 v dc. Maximum dark current at 90 v dc, 25, is 0.05 µamp. The shadowless anode is  $7-1/2 \ge 5/8$  in.

Continental Electric Co., Dept. ED, Geneva, Ill. CIRCLE 125 ON READER-SERVICE CARD FOR MORE INFORMATION

## **Trimmer Potentiometer**

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Standard units have a resistance tolerance of 5 per cent and a temperature coefficient of 0.002 per cent per degree C. Maximum operating temperature is 120 C. Movable contact surfaces are of precious metal, and internal connections are welded to the terminal leads. The adjustment remains firmly held under conditions of severe vibration, shock, humidity, and temperature change. Special designs such as pin terminals or extended adjustment screw can be supplied.

Handley Electronics Inc., Sept. ED, 14758 Keswick St., Van Nuys, Calif.

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PIC Design Corp., Dept. ED, 160 Atlantic Ave., Lynbrook, L.I., N.Y.

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## **Connectors**

#### **For Printed Circuits**



Printed circuit connectors for 50, 70, and 93 ohm microminiature coax as-

semblies are offered by this firm. The receptacles are available for circuit boards 1/16 to 3/16 in. thick. Receptacles are designed for regular Microdot mating plugs and provide efficient coaxial or shielded cable connections.

Microdot, Inc., Dept. ED, 1826 Fremont Ave., South Pasadena, Calif.

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The N-601 is constructed for relay rack mounting or table top use.

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Sealectro Corp., Dept. ED, 186 Union Ave., New Rochelle, N.Y.

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Genisco, Inc., Dept. ED, 2233 Federal Ave., Los Angeles 64, Calif.

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## Data Logger Electronic Design



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The Kybernetes Corp., Dept. ED, 9 E. 40th St., New York 16, N.Y.

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## Calibrating Dial With Illuminator



The MCN dial, smallest of this firm's dials for individual calibration, now includes a dial illuminator kit as optional equipment. The illuminator is bracket-

mounted to the output coupling so that the 6.3 v No. 51 panel light rotates behind the scale with the pointer over the dial face. Thus the pointer is constantly illuminated for easy, accurate reading. The illuminator unit mounts on the same pair of screws that hold the coupling to the dial.

The MCN dial features three blank calibrating scales and a 0.100 logging scale. Overall measurements of the dial with illuminator are  $3-7/8 \ge 2-3/4 \ge 1-1/4$  in. behind panel.

National Co., Dept. ED, 61 Sherman St., Malden 48, Mass.

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## Converter

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With this converter, programming need not be specified on the tape. A number of switches on the converter determine the words and digits to be plotted. This means that a particular tape can be run through the converter several times and a different plot obtained each time.

While the converter was designed for operation with the Librascope X-Y Plotter, it can be readily modified for use with similar plotters such as the Electronic Associates Variplotter. Normally, a seven column paper tape is provided for the converter; however, only four of these are actually used. The tape reader normally operates at 20 characters/sec. Maximum plotting speed approaches 40 points/minute. Accuracy is  $\pm 0.1$  per cent.

Librascope, Inc., Dept. ED, Glendale 1, Calif.

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### DC Motor

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Bodies are standard in die cast aluminum, but can also be furnished in brass. Spiders are one piece and are made from a resilient Buna-N compound. The coupling never requires lubrication and is otherwise maintenance-free for the normal life of the equipment. There is no wear on the metal jaws, since the load is transmitted by cushion compression.

Lovejoy Flexible Coupling Co., Dept. EDN, 4801 W. Lake St., Chicago 44, Ill.

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## Sweeping Oscillator for VHF and Video



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and sweep with high output automatically held constant over frequency sweep and frequency band. Ranges are covered by six switched bands with a direct reading frequency dial.

Specifications for vhf include: range 30-220 mc continuous, with fundamental frequency output of 1.0 v rms into 75 ohms. Sweep width is variable to at least 15 mc; 20 mc over vhf TV bands. There is a separate low if band.

For video, specifications include: range 100 kc to 12 mc with beat frequency output of 0.25 v rms into 75 ohms; sweep width is variable over the full range.

Kay Electric Co., Dept. ED, 14 Maple Ave., Pine Brook, N. J.

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## **Accelerometers**

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There is no phase shift between the applied vibration and the generated output voltage. These units are sensitive only to the vector component of the vibration lying along the axis of the unit. The sensitivity is independent of frequency over the entire frequency range of operation. For constant velocity of vibration the accelerometer output is directly proportional to frequency, and for constant displacement the accelerometer output is proportional to the square of the frequency.

Dynamic range of the three units is 0.001-2000 G, 0.001-1000 G, and 0.001-500 G, respectively; frequency range is 10-80,000 cps, 10-30,000 cps, and 10-15,000 cps; and weight is 1/6 oz, 1 oz, and 4 oz, respectively.

Massa Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, Hingham, Mass.

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## **Noise Sources**

#### For Airborne Microwave Use



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Roger White Electron Devices, Inc., Dept. ED, 96 4th Ave., Haskell, N.J.

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A pushbutton on the front panel permits a quick check of proper operation. The DY-2500 is available in cabinet or standard rack mounting.

Dynac, Inc., (a subsidiary of Hewlett-Packard Co.) Dept. ED, 395 Page Mill Rd., Palo Alto, Calif. CIRCLE 160 ON READER-SERVICE CARD FOR MORE INFORMATION

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15	1.53 oz. in.	5300 PRM	6	7.30 oz.	

## AMPLIFIERS

A new transistorized servo amplifier suitable for driving size 10 and 11 servo motors is also available. This amplifier provides a 40 volt, 3 watt output. Designed to meet the requirements of MIL-E-5400 it is rated for operation over the ambient temperature range of  $-54^{\circ}$ C to  $+71^{\circ}$ C. A servo type base and a cable with an SM11-20H connector is provided. Dimensions 1 42/64<sup>m</sup> dia. x 3 25/32<sup>m</sup> high, weight 8 ozs.





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Approximate maximum rotor dimensions are 5 in. diam x 8 in., with a weight of 20 lb. A continuous indication of speed is provided in two ranges, 0 to 20,000 rpm or 0 to 200,000 rpm. Sensitivity is 0.3  $\mu$ in. full scale. Unbalance sensitivity varies with the total mass of the assembly being balanced.

M. Ten Bosch, Inc., Dept. ED, Pleasantville, N.Y.

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Contact resistance is 0.006 ohms max. Dielectric strength is 1000 v rms. Insulation resistance is 100 megohms minimum. Current carrying capacity is 1 amp in a 120 v dc circuit, and 800 ma in a 115 v ac circuit, non-inductive. Current breaking capacity is 400 ma in a 50 v dc, 300 ma in an 80 v dc, and 250 ma in a 120 v dc circuit; and 200 ma in a 115 v ac circuit, non-inductive.

International Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, New Haven 15, Conn.

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For Audio Measurements



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Brush Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 3405 Perkins Ave., Cleveland 14, Ohio.

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Chassis-Trak Corp., Dept. ED, 525 S. Webster St., Indianapolis, Ind.

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## For Airstream Measurements



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The filter has sharp cut-off characteristics and provides excellent sideband rejection and channel selectivity. The product detector is valuable for exalted-carrier, single-sideband, double-sideband, phase-modulation, or CW reception.

Self-contained with power supply for rack mounting, the converter may be connected to any receiver with an if frequency between 440 and 510 kc.

Crosby Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 233, Robbins Ln., Hicksville, N.Y.

CIRCLE 199 ON READER-SERVICE CARD FOR MORE INFORMATION

**Pulse Packages Radar Systems** 

> These packages are preengineered and pre-assembled radar transmitter components, which, when installed in their systems, furnish outputs guaranteed to meet reasonable performance requirements of any specific radar system employing a hydrogen thyratron tube. They are the main determinants of the transmittedpulse parameters of a radar system. Two types of pack-

ages are available.

The "High Power Pulse Package" is built around the charging choke, pulse-forming network, and pulse transformer of the line-type modulator. Designed to individual pulse requirements, it is possible to obtain the optimum required pulse shape with a minimum of development work.

The "Trigger-Pulse Package" contains components schematically similar to those above, but is designed specifically to generate pulses of the required power and impedance to trigger any highpower hydrogen thyratron tube.

Filtron Co., Inc., Dept. ED, Flushing, L.I., N.Y.

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## KEARFOTT FERRITE DUPLEXERS

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## New Miniature Tubes

Four new 9-pin miniature tubes, for use in both black and white, and color television receivers, have been announced. The 5CL8 and 5CM8 are 600 ma series-string types and the 6CL8 and 6CM8 are their 450 ma counterparts. H

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The 5CLS and 6CLS are 9-pin miniature triode-tetrodes, intended for service as oscillator mixers in VHF tuners. Each tube's section has its own cathode, provided for increased circuit design flexibility.

5CM8 and 6CM8 are high mu triodes, sharp-cutoff pentodes, featuring high transconductance, sharp-cutoff and low number one grid to plate capacity, and they may be used for service as if, video or agc amplifiers, as well as reactance tubes. With the comparatively low grid to plate capacity, 5CM8 and 6CM8 pentode sections are desirable for narrow band, high gain amplification into a relatively high impedance load.

Sylvania Electric Products Co., Dept. ED, 1740 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.

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## Coaxial Transmission Line For High Power Applications

This is a new 9" rigid coaxial transmission line for very high power application at frequencies up to 550 mc. The line is capable of handling average powers of 300 kw at 150 mc, and peak power of 3 mw. It has a 50 ohm characteristic impedance, and attenuation of 0.042 dm/100 feet at 150 mc.

This line comes in 20 ft sections and features a new quick-assembly flange using only one bolt, instead of the many bolts required by conventional flanges. A complete complement of elbows, gas barriers, adaptors, power dividers, tuners, slotted lines, hangers, and other associated equipment have been designed and are available for prompt delivery.

Andrew Corp., Dept. ED, 363 E. 75th St., Chicago, Ill.

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## Socket and Tube Holder Of One-Piece Construction

The one-piece Socket and Tube Holder, an adaptation of this firm's standard subminiature tube holder, has an extra support for holding the ocket in the same firm grip as the tube itself. The holder combines mounting ease with ability to withstand severe shock and vibration conditions while still affording adequate heat dissipation.

It will grip the standard Eby and Cinch button or press type subminiature tube sockets and the T-3 or T 2x3 subminiature tubes. It is made of SAE 1065 carbon steel formed in the annealed state, cadmium plated, per QQ-P-416 Class B Type II iridite No. 5, to withstand 50 hr salt spray tests. The construction greatly reduces the possibility of vibration and shock differentiations between tube and socket.

Atlas E-E Corp., Dept. ED, Bedford Airport, Bedford, Mass.

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## **TV Transformers**

#### **Potted in Heat Conductor**

A heat conducting compound, developed by this company, has improved and reduced the cost of their transformers. The losses, involved in converting electrical energy in a transformer, appear as heat; the temperature rise of the transformer windings, caused by this heat, is a limiting factor in transformer design and application. A typical TV power transformer of conventional construction may have a difference in temperature from the inner windings to the outer surface of 20 to 25 C when measured according to standards of the RETMA. When the transformer is potted with the new Foster compound, this difference is reduced to about 10 to 15 C. Thus, the he it is moved from the inner windings to the outer surface, where it can be dissipated by air circulation.

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A variety of sizes of transformers using the potting compound is available.

oster Transformer Co., Dept. ED. Giunnati, Ohio.

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## Temperature Indicator 0.8 Sec Full-Scale Response



Already used in aircraft from jet fighters to transports, this rugged null-bal-

ance temperature indication system features 1/3 per cent accuracy and 0.8 sec full-scale response. The 2-1/4 in. diam indicator houses a 13 in. moving vertical scale readable to one degree and excellent for photo-panel work. Standard scale ranges are -100 to 600 F for iron-constantan and 300 to 900 C for chromel-alumel thermocouples. Input power is 45 va at 115 v 400 cps.

Thermocouples can be grounded and long extension leads used. The high-gain amplifier provides threshold sensitivity of 15  $\mu$ v, with zero, span, and damping adjustments. Internal reference voltage is supplied by a long-life mercury cell. The indicator is thermetically sealed, and the system operates in ambient temperatures from --65 to 160 F and altitudes to 60,000 ft. Indicator size is 2-1/4 in. diam x 9 in. long; the control unit, 3-1/4 x 3-1/2 x 7 in. Other scale ranges can be supplied.

Handley Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 14758 Keswick St., Van Nuys, Calif.

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## Speed Changer Lightweight Unit



This adjustable ratio speed changer has anodized aluminum end bells with two pressed-fit ball bearings for each shaft, resulting in high

concentricity and extremely smooth operation. Metal construction gives high resistance to impact and vibration. Increased stability over a wide temperature range is obtained because of close correspondence of coefficients.

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Metron Instrument Co., Dept. ED, 432 Lincoln St., Denver 3, Colo.

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Controlling a transformer's leakage reactance

**Problem:** Design and produce a highvoltage potential transformer with unusually high and *uniform* leakage reactance.

The transformer must run dependably for at least 15 years as a vital part of an rf carrier circuit on a highvoltage power line. Operating voltage at the primary of the transformer is 5000 volts.

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Since the transformer will be exposed to dust and condensation when mounted outdoors in its housing, we used an extra large high voltage terminal bushing with three drip-type petticoats.

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Introduces any <u>non-linear function</u> related to shaft rotation into a system — quickly and easily.

Here's a new variation of the famous P-E VERNISTAT\* precision potentiometer. The new idea is that the curve of output voltage versus shaft rotation is immediately adjustable by a printed circuit switch to help you introduce nonlinear functions into systems. Any mathematical or empirical function including those with multiple slope reversals can be generated.

The switch is arranged in the form of a graphic panel to give a visual presentation of the output. Shaft rotation is represented by the x-axis, voltage output by the y-axis. \*Trademark

#### **PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS:**

• 100-transformer taps connected to 31-pole, 100-position printed circuit switch.

any pole can be switched to any tap.
size: 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" x 7%" x 2%".

#### **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS:**

- $\cdot$  potential at each pole adjustable to  $\pm$  0.5%
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- minimum slope of voltage output curve: zero.
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- frequency rating: 400 or 60 cps @ 130 volts
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- input voltage reduced). • with variations can be operated to 10,000 cps.
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## **Count Rate Meter**

Line-Operated



Model A-116 "Monitor" Count Rate Meter is a line-operated unit designed for quantitative radioactivity measurements. An in-

tegrating rate meter, it provides instantaneous audible and visual indications of the counting rate of radioactivity detected by the probe-type detector heads. Its stabilized high voltage supply permits use with Geiger counters, as well as with scintillation and proportional counters having built-in cathode follower or preamplifier circuits.

Five different counting ranges, up to 50,000 cpm full scale, are readily available, with a choice of time constants to give a 2, 5, or 15 per cent statistical accuracy on each range. Provision is made for attaching a 1 ma strip chart recorder, or radiation level alarm. For most applications either a betagamma Geiger counter, or end-window alphabeta-gamma Geiger counter is used.

Atomlab, Inc., Dept. ED, 489 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N.Y.

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## Vacuum Gage

#### **Offers Extended Range**



The PHG-27 is a single-station, discharge - type vacuum g a g e which gives continuous pressure readings over an extended range from 25 microns to 1 x  $10^{-7}$  mm

Hg. It measures the total pressure of condensable vapors and permanent gases on three scales: 25 microns to  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  mm Hg;  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-5}$  mm Hg; and  $1 \times 10^{-5}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-7}$  mm Hg. Automatic voltage regulation is incorporated for more accurate pressure indication and easier operation. Terminals are provided to permit driving a potentiometer-type recorder.

The PHG-27 is  $6-1/2 \times 11 \times 6$  in. deep and weighs 12 lb. Operable on 115 v power, it is readily adaptable to 230 v.

Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., Rochester Div., Dept. ED, 1775 Mount Read Blvd., Rochester 3, N.Y.

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**Miniature Lights Rotatable Lens** 



These compact indicator lights (approx. 1-1/4 x 9/16 in. overall) are ideally suited where lighted "messages" are required. In this series of Dialco lights (No. 134-3830-375), a figure, letter, or word

is hot-stamped into the flat face of the translucent plastic lens. Since the light bulb is just below the surface of the lens, a bright and even distribution of the light is the result. The debossed legends are filled in for sharp contrast.

The newly designed spring-mounted lens assembly is made to rotate smoothly so as to enable positioning after the entire pilot light is screwed into place. In this way the hot-stamped legend is brought into perfect alignment with a minimum of effort.

The lens assembly unscrews from the front of panel for easy replacement of the lamp.

Dialight Corp., Dept. ED, 60 Stewart Ave., Brooklyn 37, N.Y.

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## **Laboratory Standard**

#### **Highly Shielded**



The Model 235 DC Laboratory Standard (0.1 per cent) replaces the previous Model 5. It incorporates the "Cormag" selfshielded mechanism. In addition, a far greater degree of shielding than that inherent in the basic

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Weston Electrical Instrument Corp., Dept. ED, Newark 5, N.J.

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Now you can obtain long life stability of carbon film resistors with small size and low price of carbon composition types. Available in the same wattage ratings, dimensions, tolerances and color code as carbon composition type resistors.

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• TC: 200 to 400 PPM per °C

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• Noise Level: Extremely low. No noise generating end caps

- Tolerances: ± 5 % and +10%
- Sizes:  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 1, 2 watt

•U. S. Pat. 2658980

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For Telemetering and Recording



Two lightweight degaussers, the "5000" and the "2400", are offered for telemetering and sound recording. The standardsized "5000" Eras-

er (illustrated) handles reels up to 16 in. diam and erases recorded data or sound from 1/4 in. tape, or 35 mm, 17-1/2 mm, or 16 mm magnetic film recording media. It weighs only 33 lb and measures 3-3/4x 6 x 15 in. It requires 2000 w of 115 v, either 50 or 60 cps, and can also be supplied for 220 v operation.

The other degausser is a miniature erasing unit. The "2400" is for use with reels of film or tape up to a maximum of 9 in. diam. It weighs only 16 lb and measures  $3 \cdot 3/4 \ge 6 \ge 9 \cdot 1/2$  in. One of the smallest bulk sound-erasing units marketed, it has a 1000 w power consumption and accomplishes complete erasure within a few seconds.

Kinevox Div., Electromation Co., Dept. ED, 116 S. Hollywood Way, Burbank, Calif.

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### **Screw Products**

#### **Offered in Micro Sizes**



Micro sizes, from No. 0 through No. 3, have been added to this firm's heat-treated alloy steel line of socket cap and set screws, completing a standard range of socket cap sizes up to 3-1/2 in. diam and of socket sets up to 1-1/4 in. In addi-

tion to cup points, cone, oval, half-dog, and flat points are now available.

The firm is also marketing a line of socket head shoulder screws of heat-treated alloy steel in standard diameter sizes from 1/4 to 3/4 in., and tightseal pressure plugs in standard pipe sizes from 1/16to 1-1/4 in. Another product is precision-ground dowel pins in standard and oversize diameters from 1/8 through 1 in.

A line of 18-8 stainless-steel non-heat-treated non-magnetic socket cap screws and socket set screws has also been put on the market.

Cleveland Cap Screw Co., Dept. ED, Cleveland, Ohio.

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## Miniature Precision Rotary Selector Switch

Here's the exceptionally positive action only a multi-leaf wiper, button-contact switch can offer—now in the smallest sizes consistent with the quality and dependability required for today's compact, precision equipment:

• Features solid silver alloy button-type contacts, collector rings, and spring suspension leaf-type wiper arms for low contact resistance-0.002 ohms.

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• Outstanding moisture, humidity, and salt-spray resistance through use of passivated stainless steel, nickel-plated brass, Steatite, Nylon, molded Melamine, and Silicone-base glass-fibre laminate parts.

• Adjustable stainless steel stops-easily positioned.

• Uniformly high quality—cost-reducing mechanized production and assembly.

• Small size—only  $1\frac{3}{4}$ " square. 1" deep for first deck, only  $\frac{5}{8}$ " deep for additional decks.

## CONDENSED SPECIFICATIONS

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SHALLCROSS MANUFACTURING COMPANY, 526 Pusey Avenue, Collingdale, Pa... CIRCLE 229 ON READER-SERVICE CARD FOR MORE INFORMATION

LECTRONIC DESIGN • October 15, 1956


HOW THE VARIABLE-RED COLOR FILTER WORKS—With the new Polaroid CP Variable Color filter, radarscope operator can vary color intensity of image without re-focusing. As knob on filter mounting is turned, color intensity varies from neutral to deep red. (Other colors available.)

## **NEW POLAROID**<sup>®</sup> radar filter...

#### VARIES COLOR INTENSITY . . . KILLS REFLECTIONS

Now — from Polaroid — comes a new polarizing filter for radar (or any cathode ray tube instrument)—which improves readability and gives the operator instant and easy control of the color of the display.

The Polaroid CP\* Variable Color filter system virtually eliminates all reflections from the scope face for glare-free viewing. And it enables the operator to control color mechanically . . even *change* the color of the image . . . at the touch of a knob, without re-focusing. Variable color filters are already making themselves immensely useful in airborne radar — where variable-red systems are being used to keep

operators' eyes dark-adapted at night. It's typical of the way these and other new Polaroid filters help find new answers to problems in visibility for design engineers.

For complete information, write or phone John Mulhall, Polaroid Corporation, Cambridge (UNiversity 4-6000).

\*Ask for this new folder describing Polaroid CP (Circularly Polarizing) variable density and variable color filters.

## POLAROID CORPORATION Cambridge 39, Massachusetts

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Rack model regulated dc power supplies offered by this firm feature germanium rectifiers and a panel height of only 7 in. Models rated at 800 ma are available for the ranges of 125-325 v and 325-525 v dc.

The supplies have fuse failure indicators and oilfilled hermetically-sealed transformers and chokes. Internal impedance is less than 1.5 ohms. Ac output, 6.5 v (unregulated) is 20 amp. Rated for 24-hour continuous duty, the models feature transient-free operation, a stable 5651 voltage reference tube, and harness wiring. Line regulation is better than 0.15 per cent or 0.3 v (whichever is greater) for 105-125 v ac. Load regulation is better than 0.25 per cent v for 0 to full load. Size is 7 x 19 x 14-3/8 in. deep. Weight is 75 lb.

Lambda Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 11-11 131st St., College Point 56, N.Y.

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### DC Microvolt-Ammeter

#### Also Used as Amplifier



The Model 203R is a rackmountable unit. It permits accurate current measure-

ments from 10 µµamp to 100 ma and voltage measurements from 10 µv to 1000 v, with an input impedance of 100 megohms and an output impedance of 2 ohms. The impedance accuracy is  $\pm$  1.5 per cent. The unit may also be used as a low drift dc amplifier with 80 db gain.

High input impedance and stability are assured by a feedback arrangement which provides up to 84 db of overall feedback. A zero-center meter indicate polarity on two mirrored scales which cover all of the 10 current and 15 voltage ranges.

The 203R is useful as a recorder driver where the recorder does not have the required high input impedance or sensitivity. The wide range also makes it valuable as a general purpose laboratory dc microvolt-ammeter.

Kay Lab, 5725 Kearney Villa Rd., San Diego 11. Calif.

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## How to Design for Isolation during Sustained Acceleration

It is becoming increasingly important that vibration isolators continue to provide isolation during sustained acceleration. This is a requirement in some classes of guided missiles. If the force-deflection characteristic of the isolator is linear, it is easy to calculate the required deflection by multiplying the static deflection of the isolator under the deadweight load by the sustained acceleration expressed as a dimensionless multiple of the gravitational acceleration.

Unless it has clearances at least equal to this calculated deflection, the isolator bottoms during the sustained acceleration, and provides no vibration isolation. One way to alleviate this effect is to use an isolator hav-



ing non-linear force deflection characteristics, as shown by this dimensionless curve and defined by the equation

 $\frac{\delta}{h} = \frac{2}{\pi} \tan^{-1} \left[ 15.37 \left( \frac{\ddot{x}_s}{f_0^2 h} \right) \right]$ 

where  $\delta$  is the deflection of the isolator under the sustained acceleration  $\ddot{x}_s$ , is the natural frequency under normal deadweight load, and h is the "effective thickness" of the load-carrying spring.

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From "Natural Frequency of a Nonlinear System Subjected to a Nonmassive Load", Transactions ASME, January, 1954.





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Pacific Relays, Inc., Dept. ED, 12027 Vose St., North Hollywood, Calif.

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Electro-Pulse Inc., 11861 Teale St., Culver City, Calif.

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#### **Test Systems**

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#### Diodes

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An 8-page brochure has been published describing recent advances in the changing field of microwave silicon diodes. Catalog No. 56s is intended to bridge the gap between the specification and application of microwave diodes. It is directed to the designer of microwave receivers and test equipment as well as production, maintenance, and purchasing personnel. Subjects discussed in the illustrated catalog include: factors in silicon selection, silicon versus germanium, diodes as video detectors, mixer diode considerations, broad band widths, pricing, selection and inspection, and recent developments in low noise diode performance.

Microwave Associates, 22 Cummington St., Boston, Mass.

#### **Temperature Probe**

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A brochure has been released describing Model 101U, giving its essential performance data and important considerations basic to the choice of total temperature probes, which meet accuracy requirements of outside air measurement in supersonic aircraft applications up to Mach 3 and beyond. The brochure includes other information on temperature probe in flight test and laboratory research. Rosemont Engineering Co., Rosemont, Minn.

#### **Plating Process**

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Catalog MC-120B also presents general information about snap-action thermostats, and discusses installation and service factors which affect temperature control.

Fenwal Inc., Ashland, Mass.

#### **Membership Listing**

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A 63-page booklet entitled "Directory of the Members of the American Standards Association" includes a listing of 115 national technical societies, trade associations and public interest groups, and the 2300 companies which are affiliated with ASA. It also includes the officers and members and the Board of Directors of the association. Gives state and city governments, colleges, and universities and various individuals affiliated with the association. American Standards Assn., Dept. ED, 70 E. 45th St., N. Y. 17, N. Y.

#### **Test Instruments**

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A catalog has been published describing the easy and quick reference to a complete line of test instruments. The listing featuring "Complete Coverage" includes over 250 instruments. More complete data and specifications are available on any of these instruments.

Hewlett-Packard Co., 257A Page Mill Rd., Palo Alto. Calif.

#### Switch Relay

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A data sheet has been offered describing an electronic relay designed to be safe for water bath operation. One example would be an immersion heater in a water bath to be controlled by a mercury-column thermoregulator. This four-way function switch enables the relay to attain a high flexibility of application. Fail-safe operation is afforded by the reliability and flexibility of the function switching, so that every application can be set up for safe failure of the system. The function switch can be turned to one or four modes of operation. Arthur S. LaPine Co., 6001 S. Knox Ave., Chicago 29. Ill.



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#### Components

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Catalog C-703 has been issued describing newly developed systems for data handling and a new series of analog computers. Engineered systems included in the booklet are those for data reduction, data logging, data handling, industrial measuring and recording, and industrial process control. Three new analog computers plus four components for control systems are outlined. Components include amplifiers, electronic multipliers, and function generators. Also described are newly developed frequency meters, decimal counting units, events-perunit-time meters and others of interest to the electronic field.

Beckman Instruments, Inc., Berkeley Div., 2200 Wright Ave., Richmond 3, Calif.

#### Balancing

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Bulletin No. 53 has been published describing a new concept for efficient, in-place analysis and correction of unbalance with the virbrodyne balancer. The illustrated brochure shows how you can pinpoint and remove vibration caused by unbalance at normal operating speeds from 225 to 3600 rpm.

Tinius Olsen Testing Machine Co., Easton Rd., Willow Grove, Pa.

#### **Sensing System**

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An 8-page booklet, AD-404, has been made available describing the liquid level sensing system recently developed. The system is capable of operating a lamp to indicate that gasoline, oil or other liquid is above or below a certain level. It can also be used to control to start and stop pumps or operate valves to transfer liquid from one tank to another. The system is adaptable to a great variety of liquids and liquefied gases either relatively inert or chemically active and over a wide range of temperatures and pressures.

Simmonds Aerocessories, Inc., Dept. ED, 105 White Plains Rd., Tarrytown, N. Y.

#### **Fasteners**

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A 12-page, 2-color catalog has been released describing a number of fasteners. The illustrated catalog describes in detail the three main types of quarter-turn fasteners—No. 5, No. 2, and type H and their applications for general, light, or heavy duty, including their use in aircraft. Included also is information on specifications, head styles, installation procedures, strength characteristics, and other data of general interest to the user.

South Chester Corp., Southco Div., 200 Industrial H'way, Lester, Pa.







#### Cables

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A 4-page bulletin has recently been released for engineers, designers and manufacturers of flexible, multi-conductor electronic cable. Bulletin 656 explains in detail how cable is designed, fabricated, installed and tested to exactly meet system requirements. Feature of this bulletin is the reproduction of a form for ordering electronic cable.

Pacific Automation Products, Inc., 1000 Air Way, Glendale 1, Calif.

#### **Electronic Instruments**

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A 256-page Catalog O has been issued describing the complete line of electronic instruments and parts. Included are: amplifiers, bridges, coaxial elements, detectors, frequency and time measurement, generators, meters, monitors, power supplies, capacitors, inductors, resistors, sound and vibration equipment, stroboscopes, sweep drives, unit instruments, Variacs, waveform-measuring equipment, parts and accessories, charts, tables and indexes. General Radio Co., 275 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge 39, Mass.

#### **Transistor Design Data**

A package of transistor design brochures, publication no. GD-71, have been made available for the designer of transistorized radios, phonographs and other audio amplifiers. The brochure package contains complete specifications information on the company's 17 standard, entertainment transistors and applications notes on transistor audio amplifiers.

General Electric Co., Semiconductor Products, Electronics Park, Syracuse, N. Y.

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Weston Electrical Instrument Corp., 614 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 5, N. J.

#### **Transistor Equipment**

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An 8-page two-color catalog has been published describing the company's line of transistorized and tubeless equipment. The catalog includes descriptions of test equipment, power supplies, packaged circuits, miniaturized components, constant current generators, and others items. These units are intended to replace vacuum and magnetic amplifier equivalents whenever used.

Electronic Research Associates, Inc., 67 E. Centre St., Nutley, N. J.

#### Wire Stripper

Bulletin No. 23 has been offered describing the development of a non-corrosive, highly efficient chemical wire stripper that will completely remove most synthetic enamel tube insulation from magnet wire in less than 15 seconds. It will maintain its effectiveness over a long period of time, thereby resulting in lower stripper usage and reduced maintenance.

Hi-Grade Alloy Corp., 1236 S. Talman, Chicago 8, III.

#### **Power Presses**

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A 3-color catalog has been published describing the company's line of standard, high production and patented power percussion presses. Many models for various industrial requirements are clearly illustrated with photographs. Detailed specifications, capabilities and capacities have been included in tabular form for easy reference.

Zeh & Hahnemann Co., 184-6 Vanderpool St., Newark 5, N. J.

#### **Ruggedized TV Camera**

A specification sheet for the Model PD-152 TV Camera describes the operation, design details and features which make this unit suitable for automotive testing, rocket and jet test stand, flight testing, wind tunnel and other applications.

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A 20-page catalog (C56-B) lists a variety of components, which includes miniature toggle and rotary switches, capacitors, transformers, motors,

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A 6-page bulletin, 723, has been published explaining the use of the multiple-spline method of power transmission in the socket screw. The illustrated, 2-color booklet describes their advantages and applications. These screws are available in both set and cap screw types, in sizes down to #0 wire size.

The Bristol Co., Socket Screw Div., Waterbury 20, Conn.

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A new 4-page bulletin has been offered, entitled "Berylco 10 Strip—A High Conductivity Beryllium Copper Alloy." The bulletin describes the physical properties which make this alloy particularly suited for applications in the electrical and electronic fields, including these design factors: high electrical conductivity; service temperatures of 400 F and above; excellent spring characteristics; and corrosion resistance.

The Beryllium Corp., Reading, Pa.

#### Guide To Flexible Mountings

A 4-page booklet, containing a vibration isolation efficiency curve in three colors, is a guide to the selection of flexible mounting systems for equipment where noise and vibration control is desirable. Vibration and noise magnification, which occurs when the characteristics of the system approach resonance, is also discussed.

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A coupling Selection Chart has recently been developed for selecting a coupling which determines the smallest size that will be large enough to accommodate the shafts to be connected. Specifications of their three distinct types of couplings—"Roller Chain, Morflex and Silent Chain." The horizontal headings of the chart are the three coupling types and sizes with the bore diameter range of all coupling halves. Under each separate coupling heading the bore diam range is indicated by means of a color code as a cross reference with the appropriate shaft size.

Morse Chain Co., Ithaca, New York.

#### Shock and Vibration Mounts

Bulletin No. 56-02 has been published giving a complete procedure for application of shock and vibration mounts to protect shipboard and vehicular equipment. Static and dynamic characteristic curves are given for all 16 load ratings from 20 to 1800 lbs per isolator. Design, construction and specification data include complete dimensions of the unit isolators, hardware specifications, material specifications and environmental characteristics.

Barry Controls Inc., 700 Pleasant St., Watertown, Mass.

#### **Insulating Tapes**

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Brochure, CCD-1, has been issued describing the use of irradiated polyethylene tape as an insulation by motor repair shops. In addition the brochure cites the compatability with other insulating materials and describes uses of the tape in a complete insulation system. It gives the special properties of the insulating tape and its ability to encapsulate when heat provides a lasting seal against water, chemical and dust.

General Electric Co., Chemical Development Dept., 1 Plastics Ave., Pittsfield, Mass.

#### **Reservation System**

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A 4-page brochure describing and diagramming the functions of the new Airlines Reservation System has recently been issued. Using a question-andanswer format to cover those questions most frequently asked by airlines personnel, the literature shows the relation between the system, the centrally-located file computer and other reservation offices. Final section of the brochure deals with additional uses of the system and the adaptability to meet varying requirements.

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

#### Variable Speed Pulleys

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This catalog, V-563, emphasizes the use of pulley parts and outlines design features for increased rigidity, ruggedness and improved disc lubrication. For low cost variable speed applications, the use of diagrams, charts and rating tables makes the selection of the proper size of pulley unit and type of motor base extremely simple. Also, these selection aids apply to other components, motor, V-belt and sheave, required for the complete variable speed drive.

Reeves Pulley Co., Div. of Reliance Electric and Engineering Co., 1225 7th St., Columbus, Ind.

#### Large Waveguide

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Bulletin EPW-656 provides mechanical and electrical characteristics and standard shape data for latest type waveguide for multi-megawatt radar and communications systems. Sizes described are from WR770 and larger with maximum VSWR limited to 1.05 for bends and 1.03 for straight sections over entire operating band.

I-T-E Circuit Breaker Co., Engineering Prods. Sec., 601 E. Erie Ave., Philadelphia 30, Penn.

#### Wire Products

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A catalog has been published which gives a complete listing of wire, ribbon, weld and carbostrip products including alloy, clad and plated types. Sylvania Electric Products Inc., 12 Second Ave., Warren, Penn.

#### **Microwave Antennas**

A 14-page handbook containing a selected group of curves of antenna characteristics has been announced as an aid for engineers working with microwave antennas or systems involving such antennas.

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H. A. Wilson Co., 2655 U. S. Route 22, Union, N.J.

#### Mycalex Engineering Data File 392

A revised Engineering Data File is now available containing technical information, design considerations on ceramoplastic and glass-bonded mica products. Information is given on glass-bonded mica formulations for capacitor dielectrics, and machining and fabricating procedures. Charts of electrical and thermal characteristics and tubular data on the physical properties of the materials are also included. Ceramoplastics, made from high quality electrical glass, and synthetic mica, are suitable for use at temperatures as high as 1000 F.

Mycalex Corp. of America, 125 Clifton Blvd., Clifton, N.J.

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Dixon Corp., Bristol, R.I.

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A 24-page catalog on plastic rod and tube stock covers the available sizes and prices of rod and tube stock made of crystal clear methyl methacrylate, Teflon, cast acrylic, vinyl, polyethylene, cellulose acetate and polystyrene. Complete ordering data are supplied and specifications added where necessary. Friedrich & Dimmock, Inc., Lincoln Ave., Millville, N.J.

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## **Patents**

**Magnetic Amplifier** 

Patent No. 2,730,574. F. H. Belsey. (Assigned to General Electric Co.)

Magnetic amplifiers use saturable core reactance means, the saturation of which are controlled by a direct current and in this manner control the output current of an alternating current. These amplifiers usually are of the two stage push-pull type as shown in the illustration. The circuit shown secures stability of the output current irrespective of changes in the ac voltage supply.

The alternating voltage is applied to terminals 2a, 2b, 2c and 2d. Since each stage and each push-pull circuit is essentially similar, the description will be confined to one stage and one push-pull circuit. The current passes through opposed windings 1A1 and 1B1 and rectifiers 1R1 and 2R1. Rectifier 1R1 controls the second stage and rectifier 2R1 provides positive feedback to coil 7. A control potential is applied to terminals 4 to control the saturation in cores A1 and B1 through winding 3. A constant biasing current component is supplied at terminals 11 at a fixed potential and a second feedback current component is supplied from resistor 17 connected in the common output circuit of the second stage.

This feedback current will be in opposition to the constant current supplied from terminals 11 and is proportional to the sum of the output currents. With this circuit the output is stabilized irrespective of any potential variations applied to input terminal 2a.

#### **Pulse Separating Circuit**

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Patent No. 2,732,427. R. C. Palmer. (Assigned to Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Inc.)

A multiplex system of signals is commonly used to control a television camera, in order that a two wire cable may be used. With such a system it is necessary to separate the horizontal and vertical blanking signals.

The circuit of the patent accomplishes this separation of signals with a new form of circuit which is also a stabilized circuit.

The signal source 10 provides a series of pulses 25 of short duration for horizontal sweep blanking or synchronization and a relatively long duration pulse 26 for vertical blanking or synchronization. This signal is transmitted to the horizontal sweep circuit 23 which utilizes all of the pulses of short duration. In order to separate the vertical signal an amplifier tube 12 is connected to the signal source. Anode potential for the amplifier is supplied from a potential source 14 through a load resistor 13. The output signal appearing at the anode is a series of positive pulses 25 of short duration which is the horizontal signal and a vertical blanking signal 26 or pulse of substantial duration.

The anode of the amplifier tube 12 is also connected with a differentiating circuit including a condenser 15 and resistor 16 with a bias source 21. This integrating circuit controls the control grid of a clamping tube 19. In parallel with the differentiating circuit is an integrating circuit including a condenser 18 and a series connected resistor 17. The anode of the clamping tube is connected between the resistor 17 and condenser 18 and with a vertical sweep circuit 20.

The positive pulses of short duration are integrated and produce a sharply peaked wave at the control grid of tube 19. The bias 21 clips the positive peaks of the integrated signal and renders the clamping tube 19 conductive. The pulses of short duration also charge the condenser 18 of the differentiating circuit at a low level 29. However, the charge leaks off in a sawtooth form until the next integrated signal at the grid renders the clamping tube 19 conductive whereupon the condenser 18 discharges through this tube. The charging of the condenser 18 by the pulses of short duration are insufficient to trigger the vertical sweep circuit. For a vertical blanking pulse 26 of long duration, however, the condenser 18 is charged substantially as shown by curve 28 to a potential above the triggering potential 34 for the vertical sweep circuit.

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Upon the termination of a pulse of relatively long duration the potential on the condenser 18 leaks off as shown by curve 46 until a peaked pulse appears in the integrating circuit and is applied to the control grid of the clamping tube 19. The condenser discharges immediately through the tube 19 to its former level below the trigger level 34. The patent shows the wave forms for the interlace scan but these are essentially the same as that described but with the various wave forms displaced a half cycle i) known manner. By discharging the condenser 18 (Ompletely at each pulse, the condenser begins charging at a zero potential for both the first signal and interlace signal and thereby assures exact s nchronization for the vertical sweep circuits. Constantin GLASS-TO-METAL SEALS GIVE

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## Books

#### **Basic Electricity**

Paul B. Zbar and Sid Schildkraut; McGraw-Hill Book Co., 330 W. 42nd St., N. Y. 36, N. Y., 84 pages. Price: \$1.75.

This is one of a series of basic laboratory manuals. It has been developed primarily for the training of radio and television technicians. The manual provides a laboratory program closely correlated with recommended instruction. By using up-to-date equipment and by following a logical sequence of jobs in which he learns basic technical skills, the individual is taught electrical, electronic, and radio principles which are integrated with work on commercial products of the industry. Basic principles, techniques in the use of specific instruments, and circuit parameters are discussed; and the effect of variation of these parameters on circuit operation and performance are emphasized.

#### Mathematics for Electronics with Applications

Henry M. Nodelman and Frederick W. Smith; Mc-Graw-Hill Book Co., 330 W. 42nd St., New York, N. Y. 391 pages. Price: \$7.00.

A book especially designed for the practicing engineer to correlate engineering practice and mathematical topics which are of interest to the electronics and communications fields. Mathematical topics presented in this text are thoroughly integrated with electronic engineering problems taken directly from the technical literature. Extensive correlation is achieved between the mathematical theory and the practical electronic application.

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#### Cams

Harold A. Rothbart; John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N. Y. 350 pages. Price: \$9.50.

This book offers a thoroughly up-to-date treatment of dynamics and machine design, using cams as a basis. It represents a significant extension of the usual kinematic approach to cam action.

It also provides coverage of both the theoretical and practical side, and makes concrete recommendations concerning such topics as mass, acceleration, materials, and the type of cam and follower to be used. A discussion of profile accuracy and error is also included, and mathematics are at a minimum.

#### Vacuum-Tube Circuits & Transistors

L. B. Agiumbau and R. B. Adler; John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York, N. Y. 646 pages. Price: \$10.25.

This book includes up-to-date material on such topics as transistors, frequency modulation, inverse feedback, and noise. Fundamental principles are emphasized throughout the book. The approach avoids complicated answers in the early portions of the discussions. Formalized mathematics is also eliminated wherever possible. Coverage of transistors is carefully integrated with the body of the work. Stressed in this treatment is the physical meaning of transistor parameters.

#### **Communication Engineering**

W. L. Everett & G. E. Anner; McGraw-Hill Book Co., 330 W. 42nd St., N. Y. 36, N. Y. 644 pages. Price: \$9.00.

This book is a clear step-by-step analysis of major problems confronting the communications engineer. Emphasis is placed on the area which precedes the study of all other divisions of communications, namely, the fundamentals of linear-network analyses and synthesis, including the use of unilateral elements. In order to demonstrate the design requirements which are imposed on the linear portions of communications systems networks, the book develops both an analysis of various types of modulation and the transformation of transients from the time to the frequency domain.

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Ernest Weber, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N.Y. 452 pages. Price: \$10.50. This book begins with a brief review of the Fourier and Laplace transforms. It includes a treatment of the two-terminal-pair network. Simple matrix algebra systematizes this presentation and permits considerable generalization of solutions to fourpole problems. Material which has previously been given only sketchy presentation in English is introduced in discussions of active fourpoles, idealized network characteristics, and transmission lines.

#### Practical Solution of Torsional Vibration, Volume I W. Ker Wilson; John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York, N. Y. 704 pages. Price: \$16.00.

This book is an attempt to set down the principles and computation details of the subject in a manner suitable for everyday reference. Frequency culculations and analyses of the characteristics of different types of oscillating systems are included, which now contains considerable additions, particlarly in the sections dealing with geared systems and systems containing distributed masses.

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## Design of Sound-Amplification System for Closed Rooms, I. G. Dreizen (8 pp).

Brief discussion of the qualitative indices and design coefficients involved in the design of a sound-amplification system for large halls and auditoriums.

A procedure is given for engineering design of a sound system to meet a prescribed loudness level, and means are indicated for minimizing acoustic feedback.

#### Trends in the Development of Automatic Telephone, A. D. Kharkevich (7 pp, 3 figs, 1 table).

Survey article, referring to American, Swedish, and British developments.

#### Analysis of Synchronization of Electronically-Braked Facsimile Apparatus, S. M. Neiman (8 pp, 7 figs.)

Servo-loop analysis of the dynamic system shown in Fig. 1 and used to synchronize the rotating drum of a facsimile system. Blocks in the diagram represent the following: *1*-series motor, driving the entire system; 2,3-synchronous generator; 4,5-"electronic brake" consisting of discriminator, which compares the phase of the voltage produced by the synchronous generator with that produced by tuning fork oscillator 6, and a variable load). Refers to article by Brown and Hall in *Trans. ASME*, vol 68, No 5, 1946.

#### Measuring the Asymmetry of Communication Apparatus, I. A. Leshchuk & B. F. Kondrat'ev (4 pp, 6 figs).

Discusses the use of an ac Wheatstone bridge to measure the "asymmetry" (unbalance of the impedance of communication equipment relative to ground, and discuss the optimum values of required bridge parameters.

Design of Coupling between Antenna and a Short-Wave Communication Receiver. V. S. Mel'nikov, (8 pp, 1 Fig. 1 Table).

Discusion of problems involved in matching the antenna and feeder of a short-wave receiver used in a main-line communication system.

#### Analysis of Noise in Radio-Relay Channels of Lines employing Frequency Sharing and Frequency Modulation. S. V. Borodich (8 pp, 1 Fig.).

The March 15 and Aug. 1 issues of ELEC-TRONIC DESIGN contain brief abstracts of articles by the same author, both on the analysis of transient noise occuring in multichannel radio-relay FM systems. In this article the discussion is extended to thermal noise and also to the combined effect of all types of noise. Correlation analysis is employed, as in the other articles.

Distortion produced by Harmonic and Random Noise in Telegraph Pulses in Tonal-Telegraphy: AM and FM Channels. V. N. Amarantov (10 pp, 4 figs, 2 tables).

Survey Article: Foreign Facsimile Techniques.

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Analysis of Regenerative Frequency Divider with Ring-Type Converter. I. A. Abolits, (11 pp, 8 Figs).

A regenerative frequency divider differs from a conventional vacuum-tube oscillator. The analysis of the regenerative frequency divider (Fig. 1 & 2) is very similar to the non-linear oscillation theory used for vacuum-tube oscillators. Nevertheless, the analysis must be quite different, primarily because of the following major differences between the two circuits:

1. In an ordinary oscillator the frequency depends primarily on the parameters of the tuned circuit; in a regenerative frequency divider it depends on the input voltage and on the properties of the frequency converter;

2. Excitation of an oscillator is due to the non-linearity of the tube; in the frequency divider it is caused by non-linearities in the multiplier and frequency-converter circuits.

3. Oscillations can be excited in a vacuum-tube generator without an externally applied voltage; this does not hold for the regenerative frequency divider, which must be considered as a non-autonomous oscillating system.

The article derives equations for the amplitude and phase relationships in the circuit, employing the quasi-linear method (method of linearized characteristics) used for vacuum-tube oscillators, and plots several families of operating characteristics.

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#### Trailing Edge of Pulse in Cathode Follower with Capacitive Load, M. L. Volin (7 pp, 9 figs).

If a rectangular pulse is applied to the input of a cathode-follower stage (Fig. 1 shows the actual circuit, Fig. 2 the equivalent one), the leading edge of the ouput pulse is quite similar to that of the input pulse, but the trailing edge is not. This is due to the relatively long time constant of the cathode circuit (Fig. 4 shows reading down, the input, output, and charging voltages in the circuit). The article presents an experimentally based procedure for computing the time delay of the trailing edge and discusses method for increasing its steepness.



Essentially the scheme is to apply at the time  $t_{2}$  (see Fig. 7) another charging pulse that compensates for the "stretching" of the trailing edge. Fig. 8 shows a circuit of this type, and Fig. 9 illustrates the possible improvement in waveform.



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#### Antenna System with Reflector, V. D. Kuznetsov (12 pp. 9 figs.).

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Analytical discussion of the behavior of an antenna system for centimeter and decimeter waves, where the antenna itself is located on the ground, and the reflector mirror) is placed on a tower. The author liscusses the advantages and disadvantages of such a system, the optimum shape of the effector, the efficiency, the directivity patrn, and the shielding produced by the reector. Equations for the design of such a stem are derived.

#### Stabilization of the Amplitude of Self-Excited Oscillations by means of a Non-Linear Element having Inertia, E. O. Saakov (11 pp, 5 figs. 2 tables).

Discussion of the operation of simple stabilizer circuits containing non-linear resistances having thermal inertia. The equations of the steady-stade oscillator amplitudes are derived.

Methods for Analysis of Complicated Transistor Circuits, Ia. K. Trokhimenko (7 pp, 4 figs).

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## **Design Ideas from Germany**

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#### **Absorbing Centimeter Waves**

Absorption materials for short electromagnetic waves are needed to produce reflection-free test spaces, to eliminate reflections from disturbing objects by covering them or to hide targets from radar detection.

Application of the techniques of sound field absorption yields new solutions to similar electromagnetic problems. This is based on the fact that the coefficient of reflection r in both fields is defined by two impedances, the input impedance of the absorber  $Z_i$  and the characteristic impedance of the surrounding medium  $Z: r = Z_i - Z/Z_i + Z$ .

In order to produce perfect absorption, (r equals zero),  $Z_i$  must be real and equal to Z in the desired frequency range. The three methods available to obtain this result are discussed below.

Homogeneous absorption media-By selecting a flat sheet of homogeneous material with high internal attenuation it is possible to reduce the penetrating wave very quickly and make reflections from the back side of the material negligible. The complex dielectric constant and the complex permeability of the absorbing medium have to be equal in magnitude and angle to insure perfect impedance match to the characteristic impedance of space, which is 377 ohms. As yet it has not been possible to develop a material meeting all these requirements, primarily because high values of permeability are not obtainable at centimeter waves. Wide variation of dielectric constant and losses can be accomplished by imbedding small conducting particles, such as graphite powder, in a dielectric base material, such as paraffin. The use of ferromagnetic particles instead of graphite results in higher permeability and increased magnetic losses, but the dielectric quantities are not of the correct magnitude.

Principle of gradual transition: Wedge absorbers—Wedge absorbers produce gradual geometric transition from space to the absorber and therefore produce better impedance match. The dimensions of the wedge, when referred to the wavelength, are now important. The orientation of the electric field vector is critical when wedges are used which are less then half a wavelength apart. Absorption is much lower if the electric vector is parallel to the tapered edge of the wedge rather than at right



Fig. 1. Coefficient of reflection of paraffingraphite pyramid absorbers as a function of pyramid length for various concentrations.



Fig. 3. Coefficient of reflection vs. wavelength for parallel plate medium with pyramid transition – plate impedance 200 ohms.

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angle. Pyramidal shaped absorbers made of paraffin-graphite mixtures do not show any variation in absorption with polarization. Variation of the graphite concentration from five to forty volume per cent increases the wave attenuation from 0.5 db/cm to 18 db/cm. See Fig. 1 for the dependence of r on the pyramid height. By varying the base length of the pyramid bottom extension control of the magnitude of the coefficient of reflection is possible. A metallic plate forms the common base for the graphite elements.

In analogy to similar sound absorbers, a parallel-plate medium of graphite foils was also investigated, Fig. 2. The plate impedance and the distance between plates determine the attenuation of the incident wave. Spacings of less than half a wave length are not usable. In order to eliminate polarization effects it is advisable to use two stacks of foils at right angles to each other. Impedance matching is achieved by using a transition element such as a pyramid, Fig. 3.

Resonance absorbers—If the required band width of the absorption spectrum is



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Fig. 2. Attenuation of electric wave of 3.2 cm in a medium of parallel conducting plates as a function of plate impedance and plate distance —electric vector of incident wave parallel to plates.



g. 4. Single circuit absorber—foil within quarter avelength distance from wall. small, it is possible to use tuned absorption elements. The simplest case consists of a metal foil of 377 ohms plate impedance at a quarter wavelength in front of a conducting wall. For a certain frequency the imput impedance of this arrangement equals the characteristic impedance of the medium. Absorption occurs due to cancellation of the wave reflected from the front of the foil by the one reflected from the conducting rear wall, Fig. 4.

In another form of absorber the resonance elements are a number of small loop antennae which are evenly distributed at right angles to the metallic wall. The loops are interconnected capacitively behind the wall, Fig. 5. Impedance matching is accomplished by varying the number of loops per area and proper choice of the individual circuit losses.

Multi-circuit absorbers, their construction and characteristics are discussed in the rest of the article. (E. Meyer and H. Severin, "Absorption devices for electromagnetic cm waves and their acoustical analogs"; Zeitschr. f. angew. Physik, vol. 8, pp. 105-114; March 1956)

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Fig. 5. Single circuit absorber—loop elements in front and behind wall.

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Calibration only involves plotting the change in voltage across the variable capacitor vs the distance between plates for a fixed charge on them. A typical voltage vs time oscillogram is shown in Fig. 2. A time marker has been recorded on top. By using



Fig. 1. Circuit for distance vs. time measurement.


the oscillogram and the calibration curve, a distance vs time curve can be computed and graphical differentiation of the latter vields the velocity vs time characteristic. Its initial slope is then the required starting acceleration of the observed motion, Fig. 3. Values as high as 1000 g have been measured with this method without difficulty. F. Melchert, "The electrical measurement of high initial accelerations," Archiv f. techn. Messen, No. 241, pp. 25-26; February 1956.

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Fig. 2. Oscillogram of voltage vs. time.

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Fig. 3. Derived distance and velocity curves.



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Abstract-British

Because the requirements of yet undesigned equipment are virtually unpredictable, the pulse patterns obtained must be completely flexible within the capability limits of the apparatus and, of course, quickly alterable from one pattern to another.

### Description

As shown diagrammatically in Fig. 1, the apparatus consists of a motor driven drum revolving at high speed, to the surface of which are approached 11 metal probes. The drum is provided with two clips capable of holding in place a card wrapped around the periphery. This card is coated on one side with thin metal foil which makes electrical contact with the holding clips. The card is punched with holes at positions representative of the desired pulse stream coding.

The metal backing to the card is connected, via the clips, to a radio frequency coil  $L_2$  wound around one end, and rotating with the drum. This coil is supplied with radio frequency by means of a low impedance

coupling loop  $L_1$ , concentric with, but not attached to, the driving shaft on the same end of the drum as the coil is wound.

This coupling induces a high rf voltage in the coil  $L_2$  which is resonated by the capacitance of the metal backed card and a swamping capacitor. This rf raises the potential of the card to 200 v on peaks. The probes  $P_1$  to  $P_{11}$  are approached close to, but not in contact with the card and as they are electrically screened along their whole length, can only pick-up rf from their tips held close to the card surface.

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The Hartley oscillator supplying the card with radio frequency is shown at left in Fig. 2. It is coupled by a three turn loop L to an 80-ohm coaxial cable which feeds the drum tuned circuit via the fixed loop previously mentioned.



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Probe amplifier  $V_2$  couples the drum output to the c ipping stage. Briefly  $V_2$  combines the functions of rectifier and amplifier.  $R_1$ , the negative bias control to the grid of  $V_2$ , is adjusted so that the radio frequency peaks picked up when a hole is stationary under the probe just does not cause any anode current flow. Rotaking the drum until the metallizing is under the probe raises the amplitude of the rf peaks reaching the grid of  $V_2$  so that it now conducts on positive half-cycles. The rf component is filtered out into the anode circuit and the resultant waveform is applied via  $R_2$  to the grid of  $V_3$ , the clipper stage.

The positive waveform reaching the grid of the clipper each time a hole is sensed has an amplitude of approximately +30 v. As the grid is maintained at -20 v and a 12AU7 has a grid cutoff of -10 v under these conditions, the first part of the positive pulse is lost together with any noise picked up. The peak of the wave on the other hand is truncated as soon as the grid is driven positive to ground potential because of the grid leak  $R_3$ . In this way anode current can only change in  $V_{3a}$  during the center swing of the positive pulse.

As shown (Fig. 3), a somewhat irregular shaped pulse has become a clear square wave in the anode of the  $V_{3a}$ , with a peak-to-peak amplitude of approximately 130 v.

The second half of  $V_3$  is working as a cathodefollower and has the waveform from the anode of  $V_{3a}$ applied, via  $C_3$  and  $R_5$ , to its grid.

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The voltage dividing network  $R_4R_5R_6$  reduces the voltage swing available at the anode of  $V_{3a}$  to 70 v at the grid of the cathode-follower ( $V_{3b}$ ) and hence approximately 70 v is available across the cathode load  $R_7$ , at low impedance.

What percentage of this waveform is required can be adjusted by  $R_7$ . Capacitor  $C_5$  is included to compensate for any high frequency loss due to the series component of  $R_7$  when the slider approaches the center and lower settings.

An optional output has been provided to give the opposite phase and takes the form of  $R_*$  in the anode of  $V_{3b}$ . It should be noted that the circuits of Fig. 2 are dc connected so that the drum can be slowed down to zero speed with no great change in pulse amplitude available at the output of each channel. This does not apply to the inverted phase available from the anode because a capacitor  $C_4$  has to be included to block the high voltage.

Fig. 4 shows a card punched with holes which will give an output in accordance with the pattern specified.

Notice how by breaking through one hole to another where required, pulses of long duration can be provided. This should not be carried to an extreme however, because the strength of the card may be over weakened if too many bridges are removed.

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# Abstract FM Mixer Design for Selectivity and Low Radiation

Fig. 1. One form of the circuit of Fig. 2a, seen from above and below. The letters refer to the corresponding components in Fig. 2.



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N Europe, good FM selectivity and low local-oscillator radiation are particularly important. The carrier frequencies of European FM transmitters are generally 300 kc apart. Local oscillator radiation must be suppressed both at the fundamental and second harmonic frequencies. Outlined here are how these requirements are attacked in mixer design of the Philips fm receivers. Consideration must also be given, of course, to the rf (hf) Amplifier and if amplifier designs.

### The Mixer Stage

The rf (hf) amplification stage is followed by the frequency-changer stage consisting of oscillator and mixer. 10.7 mc/s is chosen as the intermediate fre-



Fig. 2. a) Simplified diagram of high frequency amplifier (HF) and mixing stage (M).

b) Bridge circuit in circuit (a) which, at the correct value of  $C_{s'}$  causes a reduction in the damping of the band-pass filter.

c) Second bridge circuit, incorporated in (a) which, at the correct value of  $C_s$ , ensures that no voltage at the oscillator frequency appears at point D, so that there is no radiation. uency. As regards the mixer tube the most important roperties are minimum noise and large conversion onductance. The triode is the best tube to meet these requirements; thus the ECC85 is often used. Owing to the large hf amplification of the previous stage the amount of noise from the mixer tube is negligible. Since a triode has only one grid, a so-called additive mixing circuit has to be used, i.e. a circuit in which the two signals to be mixed are applied to the same grid.

Fig. 2 shows the circuits of the hf stage and the mixer stage. Two features of the circuit are: the dampings of the first if band pass filter and the stray radiation.

The plate resistance of the mixer tube measured on de amounts only to about 20,000 ohms, which implies a fairly strong damping in the band-pass filter and, as a result, low amplification. In addition, an if voltage passes to the grid via the grid-anode capacitance, causing the effective plate resistance to become even lower-about 5000 ohms. However, the bridge circuit shown in Fig. 2b causes another if voltage to appear at the grid such that the effective plate resistance is increased to a value at which the damping is small enough. The bridge circuit comprises four capacitances (regarding coils  $S_3$ ,  $S_4$ , and  $S_5$  as short-circuits for if currents). Of these four capacitances Cag is given by the tube and  $C_6$  and  $C_7$  are for other reasons also fixed within certain limits. Typical values in practice are:  $C_{ac} = 2 \mu \mu f$ ,  $C_c = 20 \overline{\mu} \mu f$  and  $C_c = 200 \mu \mu f$ . With these values the bridge would be balanced if  $C_{a} + C_{a}$ = 2000 µµf. By choosing another value for  $(C_3 + C_3)$ , the if voltage appearing across the diagonal K<sub>2</sub>-G<sub>2</sub> can be varied; with  $C_5 \approx 900 \text{ }\mu\mu\text{f}$ . this voltage has the correct magnitude and sign. The capacitance C<sub>3</sub> of the tuning capacitor is adjustable from 2.5 to 12.5 µµf, and this range is so small compared to C<sub>5</sub> that the required condition is maintained over the entire tuning range.

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A second bridge circuit is incorporated in the circuit of Fig. 2a, to counteract radiation. This is shown in Fig. 2c and is formed by the two sections of the reactance coil  $S_5 + S_5'$ , the input capacitance of  $C_1$ of the oscillator tube and the capacitor  $C_8$ . The bridge is balanced with  $C_8$  so that the diagonal  $K_2$ -D remains free of oscillator voltage and this voltage can therefore not reach the antenna via D and the hf amplifier. The self-inductances, mutual inductances and capacitances in the bridge circuit are such that the balance of the bridge is theoretically independent of the frequency in practice, but in the range within which the oscillator frequency varies the balance holds satisfactorily.

In this way and with very short wiring, the circuit in Fig. 2a can produce a total amplification of 200X (r tio of if voltage on control grid of first if tube to autenna emf). Fig. 1 shows two views of such a hf section.

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### Airborne Sonar

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### **Electron Tubes**

56IRE7.S3, ELECTRON TUBES: TR AND ATR DEFINI-TIONS, 1956 . . . Forty-five definitions of various terms commonly used in the design and construction of Transmit receive and Anti-Transmit Receive tubes are covered in this newly issued standard. A transmit receive tube is defined as a gas-filled radio-frequency switching tube used to protect the receiver in pulsed rf systems. An anti-transmit receive tube is a gas-filled rf switching tube used to isolate the transmitter during the interval for pulse reception. Copies of this standard may be obtained from the Institute of Radio Engineers, 1 E. 79th St., New York 21, N.Y. for \$0.50 per copy.

### **Interference From TV Receivers**

56 IRE, 27 S1, METHODS OF MEASUREMENT OF THE CONDUCTED OUTPUT OF BROADCAST AND TELEVISION Receivers In The Range Of 300 kc To 25 mc, 1956 . . . This standard is a supplement to 54 IRE 17.Sl, entitled Standards on Receivers: Methods of Measurement of Interference Output of Television Receivers in the Range of 300 to 1000 kc, 1954. The newly issued standard permits the extension of conducted interference measurements, as previously defined in 54 IRE 17.S1, from a range of 300 to 1000 kc to a range of 300 kc to 25 mc. It also replaces sections 3.22 and 3.2.5 of the earlier standard. The extension in frequency coverage involves a revision of the characteristics of the line impedance network. Copies of this standard are available from the Institute of Radio Engineers, 1 E. 79th St., New York 21, N.Y. for 50 cents per copy.

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A 1264-page volume, recording the technical accomplishments of the American Society for Testing Maerials for the year 1955, has recently been published. Reports of the technical committees, of which there are 70, and their appendices provide a wealth of useful information. Also included are 34 technical papers and discussions, dealing with a wide variety of subjects pertaining to research and testing of materials. Copies of the ASTM Proceedings may be purchased from American Society for Testing Materials, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia 3, Pa. for \$12.00 per copy.

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MIL-R-6106B (ASG), GENERAL SPECIFICATION FOR AIR-CRAFT ELECTRIC RELAYS, AMENDMENT 2, 27 JUNE 1956

The scope of the spec has been changed to cover relays for use in ac and dc electrical systems instead of for use in 115/220 v ac and 28 v dc electrical systems. The grounding requirement has been changed to state that finish around the mounting holes shall provide positive electrical contact to ground when the relay is mounted in the airplane. This requirement does not apply to relays which are mounted on insulated bases. The requirements for preservation and packing have been modified.

### Signals

MIL-A-15303D (Ships), Audible Signals: Alarms, Bells, Buzzers, Horns and Sirens-Naval Shipboard, 6 April 1956

Various types of audible signals for alarm and signaling purposes on Naval ships are covered in this spec. A typical classification for an audible signal under this spec is 1C/B1D1.

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ASESA 51-4, Application Design Notes (Electronic Components,

The following new ADN's have been added to this			
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Companies having a product which meets the requirements of these Specifications are urged to contact the Chief, Bureau of Ships, T10 Room 3403 Main Navy, Washington 25, D.C.

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