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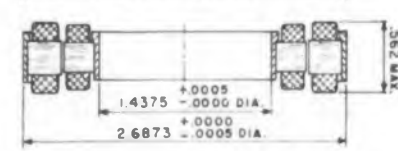
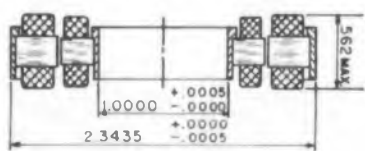
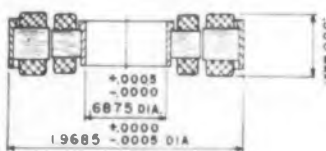
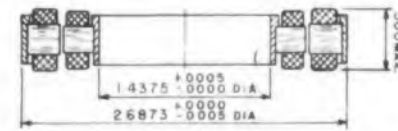
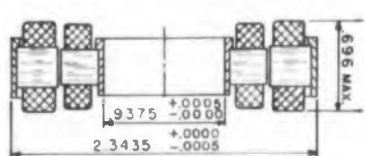
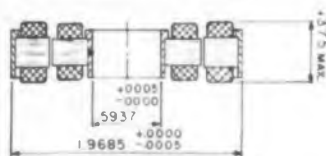
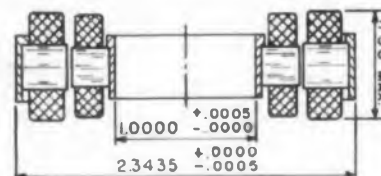
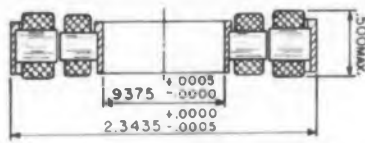
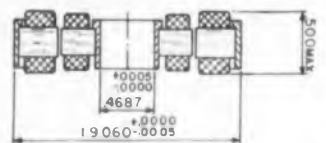


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Sidelights Of This Issue

A task force of ELECTRONIC DESIGN editors descended on Philadelphia to cover the recent Solid-State Circuits Conference. From the moment they arrived, six ED editors were kept busy in a whirl of activity . . . distributing reprints of an ELECTRONIC DESIGN Tunnel Diode Report . . . interviewing top engineers and physicists from various parts of the world . . . attending as many as five concurrent panel sessions held during the evenings, sessions at which the experts often let down their hair . . . and fulfilling requests for the much-in-demand exclusive ELECTRONIC DESIGN reprint, "Designing With Tunnel Diode."

One problem that the editors had envisioned failed to materialize. They feared that there would be some difficulty communicating with foreign visitors. It turned out that many of the gentlemen from other countries spoke impeccable English.

In a few cases, it was necessary for one ELECTRONIC DESIGN editor, a multi-lingual chap, to conduct interviews in German. Needless to say, he was quite successful.

Perhaps the most pleasant surprise for those attending the conference was the unexpected appearance of Dr. Leo Esaki, Japanese scientist of tunnel diode fame. The language barrier prevented any extensive interview with the smiling visitor, though it may be pointed out that, in his case his achievements speak for themselves. He certainly seems to speak the same language as IBM.

Of course, tunnel diodes dominated the scene at the conference. The editors were kept hopping at the evening sessions, many of which were held concurrently.

ELECTRONIC DESIGN's News Section contains a comprehensive round-up of the conference. Included are detailed presentations on tunnel diodes, magnetic films, and solid-state advances in microelectronics. The staff is indeed pleased to bring design engineers this most thorough coverage.

A preview of new products that IRE exhibitors recently announced appears in this issue. These products—some of them exclusive "firsts"—were sent to ELECTRONIC DESIGN on a special release basis. Over 200 of them appear in the New Products Department, in addition to the regular products that you always look for.

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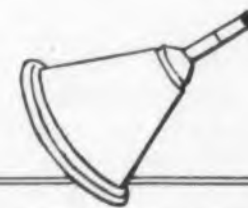


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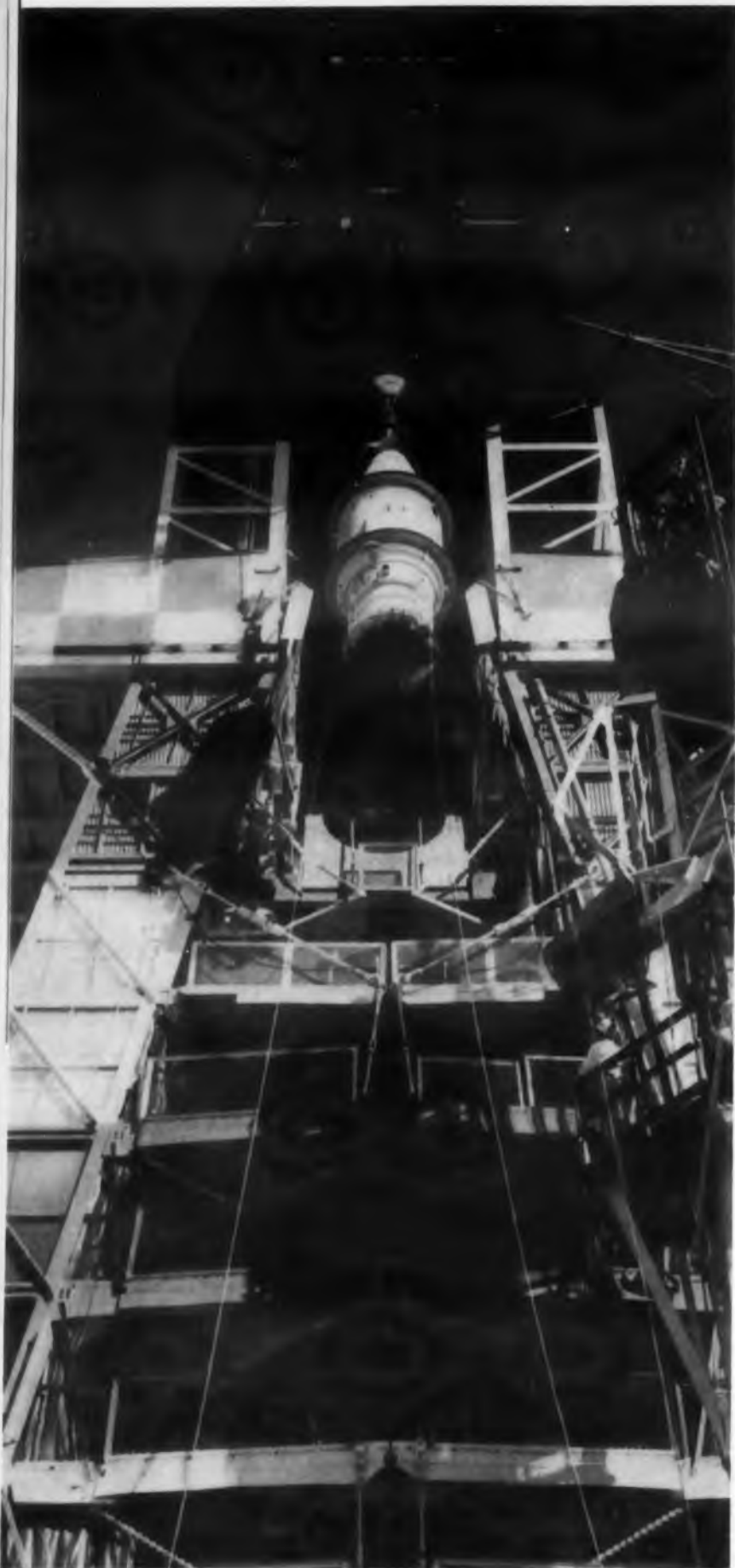
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Midas satellite nears top of missile gantry shortly before unsuccessful test shot from Cape Canaveral Feb. 26. IR detection of hostile missile launchings is the satellite's mission. Planned system calls for a network of surveillance satellites in polar orbits at 100 to 200 mi altitude.

Air Force Pushing Midas Satellite Project With Hopes Pinned on New Tests and Budget Increase

Despite the failure of an initial Project Midas satellite test shot from Cape Canaveral, the Air Force hopes to step up activity on this program. As planned, Midas would consist of a network of infrared surveillance satellites capable of spotting hostile missiles seconds after launching.

The unsuccessful shot was the first in a planned series of attempts to orbit an instrumented test satellite from Canaveral, and later from the Pacific Missile Range. If the Midas vehicle reaches orbit and successfully spots a subsequent missile launch from the Cape, the program will undoubtedly gain stature in the eyes of Government budget planners, industry observers believe.

The Air Force is pinning its hopes on such a success and on a favorable reaction from the House Space Committee, which has been looking into Midas. Lt. Gen. Bernard A. Schriever, commander of the Air Research and Development Command, has commented that the Pentagon will decide soon whether to ask for increased funds for the program. Congressional reaction to testimony on Midas (which stands for Missile Defense Alarm System) will be a major factor in this decision, an Air Force spokesman told **ELECTRONIC DESIGN**.

"Less than \$100 million," has been appropriated for Midas for the present fiscal year, according to General Schriever. Unofficial estimates place the figure at about \$60 million, with \$100 million more presently earmarked for fiscal 1961.

Midas critics have attacked what appear to be some weaknesses in the infrared surveillance concept. Burning flares on railroad cars might be used as countermeasures against the detection net, they say. Another comment is that too many satellites will be required for effective continuous surveillance of all possible launch sites.

The ability to launch missiles from submarines complicates this surveillance problem, because vast ocean areas become possible launch sites.

Additional surveillance orbits may have to be added to the program to counter undersea launching capabilities.

Significantly the Polaris, this country's under-water-launched missile, was to be used as the first missile to be spotted by a Midas satellite in the unsuccessful test. But like the Midas, it also failed. The Midas shot failed presumably because the second-stage Agena-B rocket did not detach from the first-stage Atlas booster. The Polaris weaved erratically and was destroyed by the range safety officer.

Secrecy surrounds infrared developments for Project Midas. Engineers working on the project are unwilling to discuss the problems involved because of the security consideration.

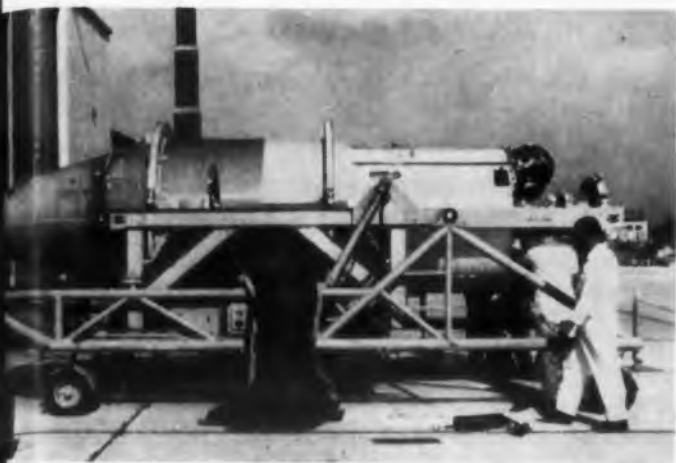
Other engineers and scientists working with infrared, however, explain that much of the work on Midas involves translating known principles into useful hardware. Although many tough problems face Midas instrumentation designers, the general approach to solutions is well-defined by the present state of the art, these IR workers feel.

Special Filtering Techniques Are Available

Various techniques are known for infrared surveillance of large areas with the ability to pinpoint intense heat sources. These special filtering methods include the use of mosaics, or groups of detectors, each covering a small portion of the angle of view. Scanning of the outputs of individual detectors, or selective cancellation of individual outputs from a total signal might be used to find a point of intense radiation.

Electronic scanning tubes are also a possibility for this purpose, although sources indicated that these are not planned for Midas satellites. Image orthicons are probably too fragile for launching shocks, but vidicons can be made very rugged, one engineer commented.

Positive identification of intense heat sources



Technicians check a Midas satellite which contains a 15,000-lb thrust engine and reportedly carries a 3,000-lb instrument payload.

is a much tougher demand. The satellite must distinguish between missile flames and other sources, such as blast furnaces, chemical explosions or power plants. Possible countermeasures, such as burning flares on railroad cars, must also be considered.

Burning missile fuels have unique wavelength signatures, or distributions of radiated energy by frequency, so that spectral analysis is a logical approach to this problem, engineers pointed out. A received infrared signal could be split with gratings or optical filters, one IR designer said, and the energy distribution by frequency analyzed. Data processing techniques could be used to compare the received signal with the known characteristics of burning missile fuels, so that data from suspicious targets could be selected for telemetering to ground stations.

Infrarimetry Promises Identification

Very precise analysis of this type might result from work on a new technique, called infrarimetry, now being researched at General Electric Co. Principles of the well-developed science of colorimetry in the visible spectrum are being adapted to work in the infrared region.

In colorimetry a color being analyzed is broken up into three components, or color channels, with bandpass filters. The channels are chosen mathematically by means of tri-stimulus coefficients, which have been optimized for use in the visible spectrum. Variations in any one of these three channels can then be used to detect extremely minute changes in the color under analysis.

Infrarimetry has not been developed to this degree of precision, although GE researchers believe further effort will be fruitful. Practical optics, detectors and filters to meet specific requirements are not always available, so that work is now in the stage of finding the best compromises, according to one project engineer.

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vided by infrared, might be used to distinguish between actual missile launches and similar hot sources used as countermeasures against the satellite detection net. The technique might also provide precise data on fuels being used.

Lead-sulfide detectors operating in the 8-micron range seem a logical choice for Midas satellites, according to one IR physicist.

This wavelength offers the least atmospheric attenuation of any of the infrared windows, he commented. The 8-to-13 micron range is a wider atmospheric window, but peak radiation from very hot sources occurs at shorter wavelengths, the physicist explained. A handy figure for use here is $2880/T = \text{wavelength in microns of peak radiation}$, where T is the temperature of the source in degrees K.

Thus a radiation source at 6,000 K would transmit peak radiation at 0.48 microns. An ocean or ground temperature of 300 K, or 27 C, would give peak radiation at about 9 microns.

Optical materials are well developed for this wavelength range, so this would not offer a problem.

Getting as much radiation as possible to the detector is an important phase of the Midas program, a West Coast engineer commented. He pointed out that infrared sensors received much more radiation from the rear than they do from the front of a jet engine. Similarly, he said, a missile flame will be directed away from the detection satellite, and the body of the missile will block much of the radiation.

3,000-lb Payload Must Orbit

Instrumentation for meeting these requirements of the Midas program has to be heavy, engineers commented. That's why the payload for the Canaveral test shots adds up to about 3,000 lb and the Atlas booster, supplying about 360,000 lbs of thrust, is being used to put the Agena-B satellites into orbit. Reliability of the Atlas—with 20 straight successful shots—is another important consideration.

The Agena rocket, similar to those used as Discoverer satellites, is produced by Lockheed Aircraft Corp.'s Missiles and Space Div., Sunnyvale, Calif. It uses a 15,000-lb thrust engine produced by Bell Aircraft Co.

Operational Midas satellites will be launched into polar orbits from Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif. A satellite test center, now being equipped by Radiation, Inc., Space Communications Div., Mountain View, Calif. under a \$1.8 million contract from Lockheed, will be used to

Major Contractors—Project Midas

Military Control: Headquarters, Air Force Ballistic Missile division, Inglewood, Cal.

Prime Contractor: Lockheed Aircraft Corp., Missiles and Space division, Sunnyvale, Cal.

Ground-Space Communications: Philco Corp., Western Development Laboratories, Palo Alto, Cal.

IR Horizon Sensing System: General Electric Co., Light Military Electronics department, Utica, N. Y.

Satellite Test Center Instrumentation: Radiation, Inc., Space Communications division, Mountain View, Cal. (about \$1.3 million)

coordinate tracking and telemetry equipment for the program. This test center is located near Lockheed's Sunnyvale plant.

Ground-space communications for the program will be handled by Philco Corp.'s Western Development Laboratories, Palo Alto, Calif.

An infrared horizon sensing system, developed by General Electric Co., will be used to establish a vertical from a satellite to the earth, so that the infrared detection system can be constantly directed toward the ground. This vertical reference, plus the precisely calculated orbit of a satellite, should permit missile launches spotted by the satellite to be located geographically by means of triangulation. A series of fixes on the hot source could establish motion and direction of the missile, engineers explained.

GE Horizon Sensing System Classified

Although the GE system designed for Midas is still under security wraps, industry sources believe that the concept of operation is similar to that used in a previous infrared horizon sensing system developed by Barnes Engineering Co., Stamford, Conn.

Two IR horizon sensing units are used in a satellite to maintain stability with the Barnes system. One of the units contains a reference roll axis, and the other a reference pitch axis.

The infrared optics are set to scan conically a narrow field of view. The conical scan is directed so that the scanning "beam" is directed toward the earth during part of each cycle. At the point where the beam crosses from the atmosphere to the earth, a sharp discontinuity in received radiation is sensed by the infrared detector. When the beam crosses from the earth to the atmosphere, another distinct change in received radiation is sensed.

These two points in the scan establish an angle. This angle is bisected and the resultant compared with the built-in reference angle. Differences are used to trigger valving jets or reaction wheels to turn the satellite until it is again properly oriented. ■ ■



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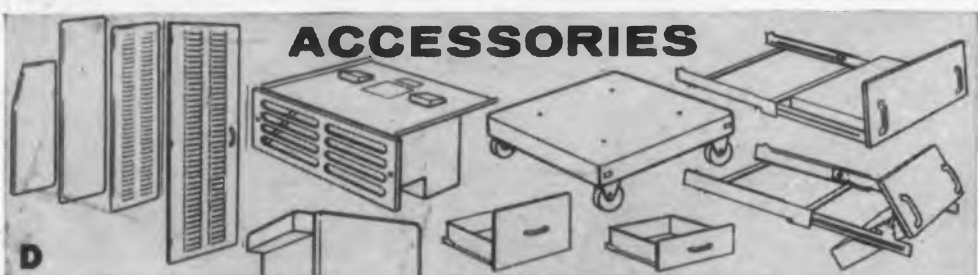
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5 Companies Pool Efforts In New Micromin Program

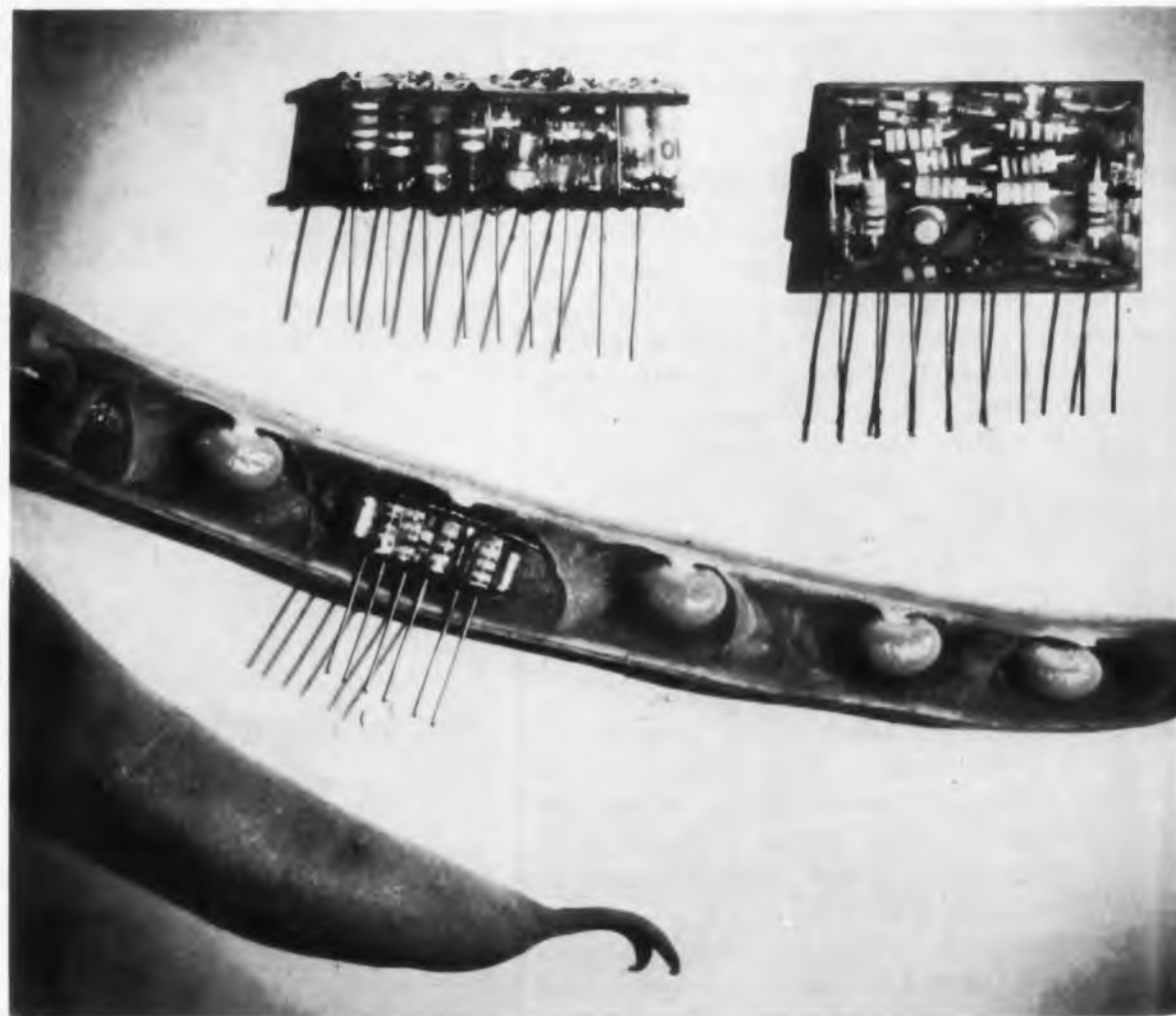
Microminiaturization, with component densities of up to 8 million per cu ft and reliable, off-the-shelf components readily available to industry—that's what five electronics companies are offering in a joint program called MICRAM. The program will be unveiled at the New York IRE show this month.

MICRAM means Microminiature Individual Component Reliable Assembled Modules.

All of the component parts used in the assemblies are standard production items. Prices are "realistic," the companies report.

Raytheon Semiconductor Div. supplies the transistors. Pacific Semiconductors makes the diodes, and Aerovox Hi-Q Div. the capacitors. Sylvania Electric Products Lighting Div. supplies the microminiature lamps. Cleveland Metal Specialties assembles the modules.

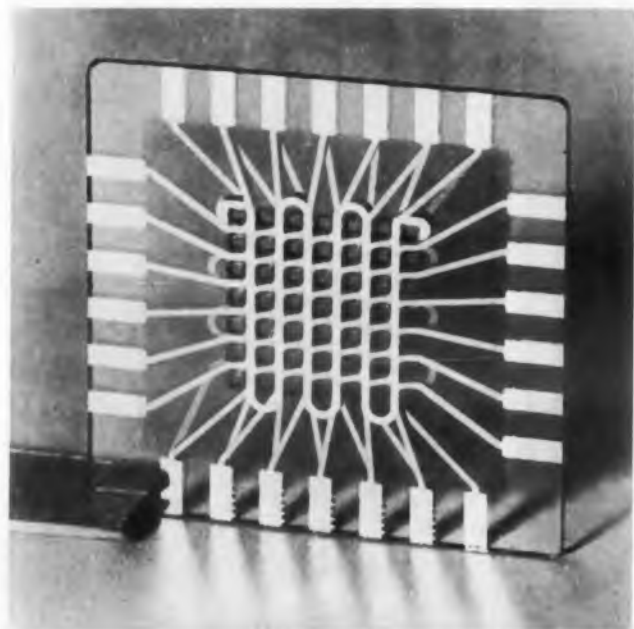
Modules to be displayed at the companies' booths at the IRE exhibition include a flip-flop, a shift register, a binary divider and a multi-vibrator. The flip-flop modules have 18 components and occupy less than 0.015 cu in. This packing density can be translated into about 2 million parts per cu ft.



Pea-sized standard modules like these are being made available in a five-company program called MICRAM. Items will be in ready supply at "realistic" prices, the manufacturers say.

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84-Bit Memory Plane For Airborne Computers



Thin film processes are used by CBS Laboratories to make this miniature memory plane for airborne computers.

Latest of a series of microminiature devices to come out of CBS Laboratories, Danvers, Mass., is a microminiature 84-bit coincidence memory plane. Using thin-film processing techniques, the memory plane is designed for airborne computers.

In this application, it achieves a 25-to-1 volume reduction, the company says. It makes possible a 100-to-1 volume reduction over present ground-based random access memories. Several of these memory planes can be grouped together to form a large unit. The unit is being made for a major electronics systems manufacturer.

Another CBS memory unit is a 2,500-word, 40-bit-per-word memory pack. About the size of a slice of bread, the device has a storage capacity in excess of 10,000 bits, CBS reports. These bits can also be stacked in multiple units.

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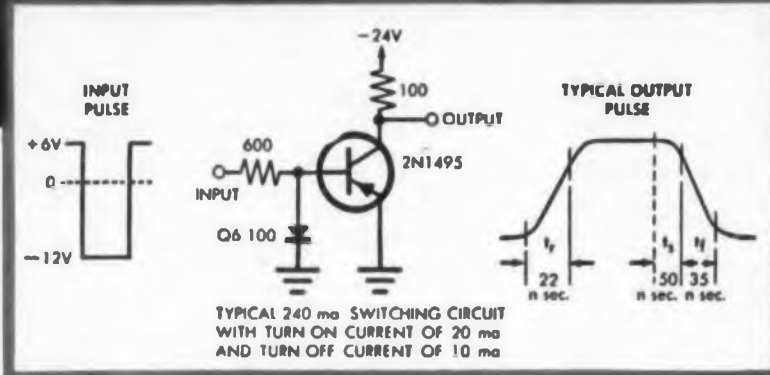
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| TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | | |
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| TYPE | CASE | P_T @25° amb. (Max) | V_{CES} (Max) | $V_{CE(SAT)}$ | | h_{FE} | f_T |
| | | | | $I_C = -200ma$ $I_B = -10ma$ | $V_{CE} = -1v$ $I_C = -200ma$ | | |
| 2N1495 | TO-9 | 250mw | -30v | 0.35v | 0.60v | 60 | 320mc |
| 2N1496 | TO-31 | *0.5w | -30v | 0.35v | 0.60v | 60 | 320mc |
| 2N1204 | TO-9 | 250mw | -20v | 0.35v | 0.60v | 60 | 320mc |
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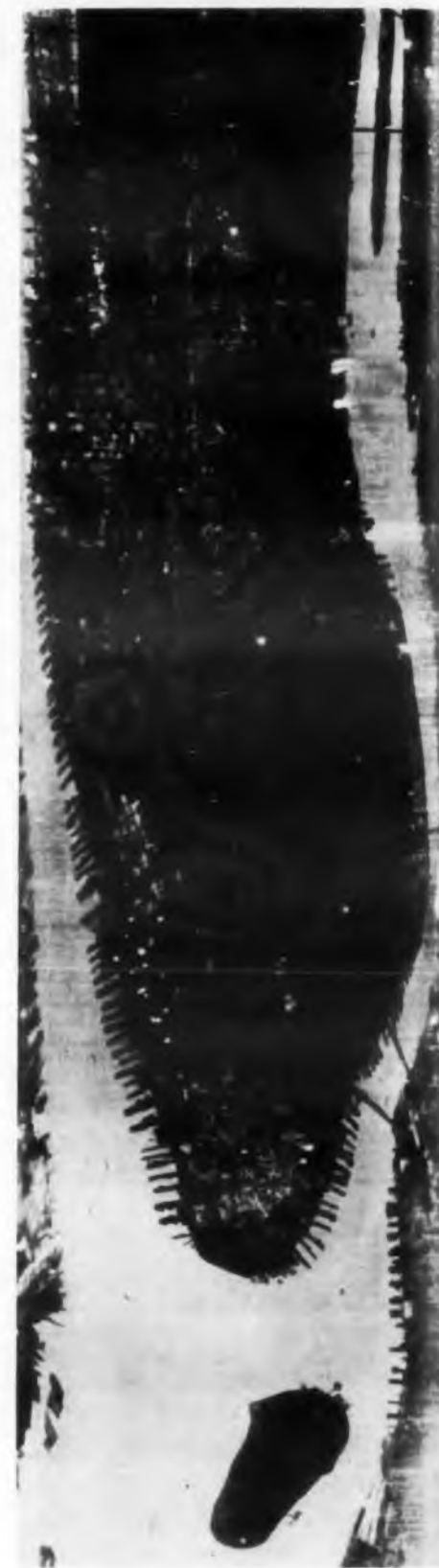
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Infrared photograph of Manhattan taken at night from 4,000 feet with a Recono-fax camera, designed by HRB-Singer, Inc. White spots on photo pinpoint intense heat sources. Detection of ships' wakes and sensing of small temperature differences are also possible with the IR equipment.

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1960 IRE Convention to Mark Centennial of Signal Corps

The 100th anniversary of the founding of the Army Signal Corps will be marked at next week's IRE International Convention by manufacturers of military equipment. They plan to emphasize in their displays the steady development of military electronic equipment.

Products developed for the military will bear stickers at the convention citing the Signal Corps centennial. This is one of several new features of the meeting, which will be held March 21 through 24 in New York City.

Another change has resulted in the addition of the word "international" to the convention title. This is to emphasize that IRE has 22 sections and 6,000 members outside the United States.

This year's show will have more than the usual educational flavor. Many exhibiting companies have announced plans to increase the number of technical personnel who will dispense engineering advice at the booths.

The conference will be in New York's Coliseum and at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. The 275 papers planned for delivery at both sites will cover developments in all of the IRE's 28 professional groups. The papers will be delivered in 54 sessions. (See program index on p. 68)

About 850 exhibitors will fill four floors of the Coliseum and display an estimated \$15 million worth of the latest electronics equipment.

Planar-Structure Transistor Developed By Fairchild

A diffused planar-structure transistor, type 2N1613, will be introduced at the IRE show by Fairchild Semiconductor Corp. The device differs from mesa types in that both the collector-to-base and base-to-emitter junctions are embedded in the top surface of the planar structure.

A significant advantage of the planar structure, the company reports, is reduced reverse leakage: $0.0005 \mu\text{a } I_{cbo}$ typically at 60 v. A typical noise figure of 5 db is said to allow it to be designed into infrared amplifiers, character recognition preamplifiers, and low-noise video amplifiers. Guaranteed minimum beta of the device is put at 15 at 100 μa .

Fairchild has begun production on a line of transistors that incorporate the planar structure. Detailed information will be presented in a subsequent issue of ELECTRONIC DESIGN.

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| Vibration..... | .30G's to 2,000 CPS |
| Dielectric Strength..... | 1000 Volts RMS Min. |
| Height..... | .875" max. |
| Width..... | .800" max. |
| Thickness..... | .400" max. |
| Weight..... | .18 ± 1 gram |
| Contact Arrangement..... | 2 form C(2 PDT) |



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Gavin Bids Nation Fill Perilous Gap In Basic Research

"This country is not using its innovative potential in the most efficient way today—a concentrated attack on this problem would pay important dividends," said Gen. James M. Gavin in an *ELECTRONIC DESIGN* interview. The general, recently appointed president of Arthur D. Little, Inc., added that the long period necessary before we can realize the pay-off on basic research does not fit the short-term planning in effect in industry.

"This," he said, "suggests that a new method of cooperation between government and industry for the sponsorship and use of basic research is indicated. The first steps in this direction are already apparent in such fields as space and nuclear technologies. But many problems still exist for more effective use of our brainpower. Until we can solve some of these problems, we are handicapped in our competition with monolithic state economies that can concentrate national efforts on centrally chosen objectives."

When asked how large an effort electronics companies should expend on basic research, Gen. Gavin said that only by constant additions to our scientific knowledge can the industry produce new ideas and radically new products.

"Basic research," he continued, "is not necessary to bring out a different combination of currently known devices, but a new device like the crybtron, diode, or maser must be preceded by new knowledge."

"Percentage of sales is not a satisfactory measure of the level of basic research, nor, even, as a rule, of research and development programs. A more useful approach, and one used by some companies today, is to undertake enough basic research to keep new ideas flowing into the development groups to maintain a steady flow of new products. This must



Gen. J. M. Gavin, new president of Arthur D. Little, Inc. believes that a new method of cooperation between government and industry for the sponsorship and use of basic research is needed.

be determined pragmatically, and errors on the high side are probably more desirable than the reverse.

"Without more basic research and the rapid conversion of its results into civilian products, our economy will not be able to grow fast enough to support the demands of this nation's role as leader of the free world."

In commenting on whether higher government expenditures for basic research should be made at the expense of items already in the military budget, Gen. Gavin said that such expenditures are not an alternative to the other activities covered by the military budget. "By its very nature, basic research is looking five to twenty years ahead. Most of the military budget is concerned with shorter-range needs such as the maintenance of adequate forces to deal with threats to our national security in the next three years. The one is not a substitute for the other, they are complementary parts of a total national plan."

Gen Gavin's answers to other questions of interest to the electronic industry are printed below.

In what areas would you say electronic research money is most needed and can be best spent?

"Research money is needed in all areas of electronics to improve efficiency, increase miniaturization, and develop new and better techniques. In the area of defense needs, electronic research in anti-missile requirements and development of more sophisticated tracking techniques would prove especially useful."

Can the military electronics systems needed in the 1960's be developed within the existing state of the art, or will research "breakthroughs" be needed?

"As far as the needs of the coming decade can be foreseen (and they might change rapidly with the swift pace of technology today), an "economic breakthrough" for more research and development can produce hardware within the present state of the art that will meet these needs."

Do you think electronic equipment is accounting for a dangerously high proportion of total military equipment cost?

"The same question could have been asked during World War I of the internal-combustion engine. When a new technology assumes great importance, as is true of electronics today, the proportion of cost for it will increase in new proportions."

How can designers reduce the costs of military electronic equipment?

"Standardization, better methods of production, increased knowledge from research."

Do we need a new approach to the design of military electronic equipment?

"Industry and government are learning to coordinate simultaneous development of carrier and system to produce a single weapon. Such cooperation has come a long way. Similar developments in the management of R&D of teams associated with a project from the beginning will increase efficiency."

In your opinion, are the armed forces getting their money's worth in electronics, both in the price they pay for the equipment and the use it is put to?

"Yes, the Government is scrupulously careful in checking into such matters."

Are you in favor of military or civilian control of our space program?

"Civilian."

Would civilian control of our space program assure adequate development of military space hardware?

"Unquestionably, yes."

What military needs could be achieved by satellites within the next five years?

"To name a few: quicker communications, elimination of line-of-sight limitations on radar, worldwide surveillance, weather knowledge and control, and perhaps anti-missile or retaliatory stations."

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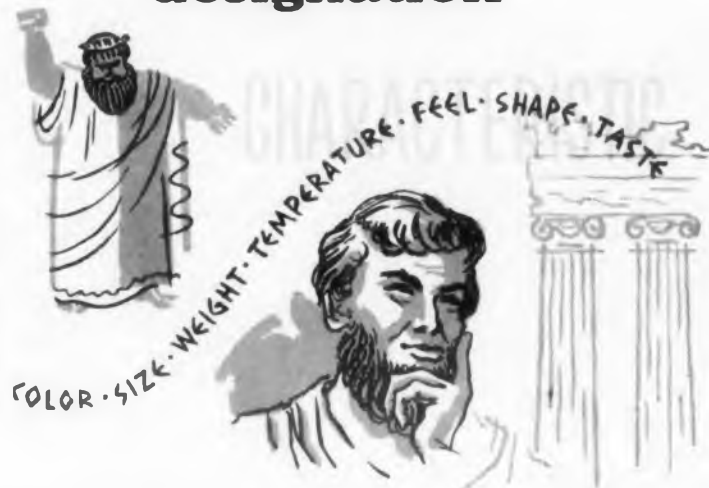
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..... and the story is told that Pelops was the son of Tantalus and the grandson of Jupiter. He was slain and served up before the gods by his own father, who wished to test the omniscience of the Olympians. They were not deceived, however, and would not touch the cannibal feast. But Demeter (Ceres), absorbed in grief for the loss of her daughter, Proserpina, tasted of the shoulder before she discovered what it was. Jupiter restored Pelops to life, and replaced his shoulder with one of ivory, whence the ivory shoulder of the sons of Pelops became a proverbial phrase for the distinguishing or distinctive mark of anyone, since all the descendants of Pelops bore this characteristic. — Greek Mythology

The word "Characteristic" can mean many things in the description of capacitors. This article is aimed at removing some of the jargon associated with the term and clarifying its meaning and application to various capacitor types.

An indicator for "characteristic" is found in the nomenclature of many types of capacitors. It does not mean the same "distinguishing or distinctive mark" for all types. This is sometimes a source of confusion for equipment design engineers.

Typical examples of
product nomenclatures
including a "characteristic"
identifier are:

1. SBA1H04104
2. CB11ND101K
3. SMDA1K04104K
4. CE34C101E
5. CM15E101K03

Items 1 and 3 are Sangamo nomenclatures for impregnated kraft tissue dielectric capacitors. Item 2 is a MIL type designation for a button style mica capacitor. Item 4 is a MIL type designation for an electrolytic capacitor. Item 5 is a MIL type designation for a plastic encased, axial wire lead mica capacitor.

The important information meant to be conveyed by the characteristic letter is shown below for Paper, Electrolytic and Mica capacitors.

PAPER CAPACITORS

In the case of Sangamo products, this letter tells us:

1. The specific impregnant used in the dielectric. "H" is Sangwax, and "K" is Etherm. Detailed information on these impregnants is set forth in Sangamo Reference Data File—Folio 59-2.

2. High and low ambient test temperatures.
3. Minimum insulation resistance at 25°C., and at the high ambient test temperature.
4. Maximum capacitance change (in per cent of the initial value) from 25°C. to the low ambient test temperature.
5. Voltage (in per cent of rated) that can be applied to establish accelerated life performance capability.
6. Maximum and minimum allowable service operating temperatures consistent with normal life expectancy.

ELECTROLYTIC CAPACITORS

The identifier letter spells out the working temperature range of the product as maximum and minimum values in degrees Centigrade. The inherent capability to perform is adjusted by:

- a. Selection of insulating separators.
- b. Formulation and control of the conductive electrolyte.
- c. Selected processing techniques.

The performance parameters affected are:

- I. At reduced temperature:
 - a. DC leakage current.
 - b. Capacitance change (in per cent of the initial room temperature value).
 - c. Equivalent series resistance.
 - d. Impedance.
- II. At high temperature:
 - a. Capacitance change (in per cent of the initial value).
 - b. Equivalent series resistance.

MICA CAPACITORS

The characteristic letter defines the capacitance stability of the unit during one "round trip" excursion from room temperature to minimum and maximum temperatures specified for the capacitor, although it does not specify the operating temperature range. It further defines the maximum temperature coefficient of capacitance. In the case of transmitting types, certain characteristic letters will also be associated with a required fifty per cent derating of radio-frequency current specified for that type.

The design factors affecting the "characteristic" performance of mica capacitors are:

- a. The physical configuration (style) of the product. Button style capacitors are most stable in the family of mica dielectric units.
- b. The relative nominal capacitance value in the design range. High capacitance values are inherently more stable than low values.
- c. The electrode design. Styles using electrodes of deposited metal bonded to the dielectric plates (silvered) are more stable than styles using independent metallic foil electrodes.
- d. Selection of mica quality.
- e. Processing techniques.

It has been the purpose of this article to explore the meaning of the word "characteristic" as it applies to describing capacitor differences. While the term is used in a specific rather than a general sense, it serves its purpose to describe the "Ivory Shoulder" of the capacitor industry.

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IR Electronic-Scan TV Pictures Produced by Two Methods

TV pictures from infrared images, using electronic rather than mechanical scanning methods, have been produced independently by Philco Corp. and Westinghouse Electric Corp.

The systems, using different approaches, both scan at 30 frames a sec compared with 1 frame a sec using mechanical scanners.

A novel selective signal cancellation principle allows the Philco system, called Filterscan, to operate at room temperatures with conventional sensitive, small-area IR detectors. The tube does not have the memory capability of a vidicon, however.

The phothermionic image converter developed by Westinghouse uses a new IR detector-photo-emitter sandwich element, said to be sensitive and fast enough to reproduce moving objects differing from room temperature by about 20 F.

Semiconductor Window Used

Scanning of the infrared image in the Filterscan takes place in a tapered tube with a semiconductor window at one end and any suitable IR-transparent material as a second window at the other end. From this end the image is focused onto a detector.

An electron gun is placed in the tube at an angle to the optical path between the two windows, so that an electron beam can be scanned over the surface of the semiconductor window.

When this electron beam is off, the entire IR image is passed by the window. When the beam is directed at a particular point on the semiconductor, however, it partially cancels the IR image at that point. This causes a decrease in the amplitude of the voltage from the IR detector at this instant.

Scanning of the cancelling spot causes this amplitude decrease to vary with time in proportion to the amount of IR radiation at each point in the scanned image. This varying voltage decrease can be used to modulate the beam of a TV monitor, operating in synchronism with the cancelling spot to reproduce the IR image.

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TV picture produced from infrared image of the letter M with Philco's Filterscan system. The image was formed by placing an M-shaped aperture in front of a plate heated to 125 C above ambient. Thirty frames a sec can be electronically scanned with the detector at room temperature in this system.

side the material at the point struck by the electron beam. This changes the conductivity and thus the absorption coefficient at that point, partially cancelling the transmission of the image, according to M. E. Lasser, P. H. Cholet and R. B. Emmons of Philco.

An operating Filterscan tube was built, using beam current of 0.5 ma with 25-kv anode potential to produce the cancelling spot. A 150-line TV image was produced, although a standard 525-line picture could be used if desired, according to Philco.

New Detector Developed

A new three-layer IR detector was developed for the Westinghouse phothermionic image converter. In operation this element is cooled to about -180 F.

A layer of nickel, less than a millionth of an inch thick, is used as an infrared absorbent surface. The center supporting layer, about a millionth of an inch thick, is made of aluminum oxide. It is produced by chemically dissolving the aluminum away from a suitably treated piece of aluminum foil.

The third surface is a layer of cesium bismuth. Photoemissivity of this surface varies with temperature.

When an IR image is focused on the front surface of the detector, the resulting temperature pattern is transmitted to the photoemissive layer through the thin supporting film. Then this surface is scanned with a beam of light, causing electrons to be emitted in accordance with the temperature pattern on the surface. The emission variation is used to modulate a TV monitor beam in synchronism with the motion of the light beam, according to Dr. Max Garbuny, head of the Westinghouse research team that developed the system.

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Accessible Local Centers Needed,
Measurements Symposium Hears

The electronics industry needs regional standards and measurements laboratories that are open to all companies in the industry—those making commercial products as well as those producing military equipment. This need was described at a standards and measurements symposium by one of the leading participants, I. G. Easton, engineering manager, General Radio Co.

In telling other symposium participants that the National Bureau of Standards has too great a load of routine measurements work, Mr. Easton asked whether "the present strong interest in standards is being overdone."

"We must be careful that standards do not become an end result rather than a means to an end," Mr. Easton said. "The present hysteria about traceability to NBS is disturbing . . . The concept that all calibrations be based ultimately on NBS certification is a commendable one, but the means of achieving this result requires scrutiny," he added. "It is clearly the responsibility of a manufacturer of standards to maintain the value of units with which he is concerned—but the end result is not assured by a simple statement regarding date of NBS certification of a particular standard in his possession. Little or nothing is gained by a traceability statement since it is already implicit in the manufacturer's warranty."

Mr. Easton added that "clarification and proper interpretation of traceability requirements is a problem for the immediate future at the commercial and operational level of our national standards program."

At the symposium, which was held at the Arma Div. of American Bosch Arma, Garden City, N.Y., the keynote speaker, Dr. James Thomas, section chief of the National Bureau of Standards reviewed the state of the measurements art and revealed that the bureau has developed a standard capacitor that is expected to lead to an absolute determination of frequency in terms of capacitance, the bureau also expects soon to measure resistance to an accuracy of 1 part per million, Dr. Thomas reported.

The traditional accuracy framework was compared to a transmission line by W. M. Goodhue, of the Arma standards laboratory's technical staff. The transmission line in the standards structure terminates at NBS, said Mr. Goodhue, and it is exhibiting attenuation and phase-shift characteristics. Space-age requirements are imposing a transient condition on the transmission line and



Three participants in standards and measurements symposium current problems. Left to right, I. G. Easton, General Radio, John Cammarata, American Bosch Arms, and Dr. James Thomas, National Bureau of Standards. Representatives from 16 organizations attended the symposium.

threatening the traditional measurements organization. Evidence of change are quasi-accuracy in products and the abandonment of the traditional 10:1 accuracy attenuation occurring between the labs and the production line, Mr. Goodhue said.

Among other opinions expressed by Mr. Easton at the symposium were these:

- The standards situation is well under control at dc for resistance, and at audio frequency for inductance and capacitance. But "as we move up in frequency, the situation deteriorates rapidly, and at the still relatively low frequencies measured by tens of megacycles, we find ourselves talking in terms of parts per thousand or even of parts per hundred rather than parts per million or parts per ten thousand.

- "In the frequency area characterized by coaxial transmission lines, there is a definite need for improved methods of connection. Of the dozen or more different types of coaxial connectors in common use today, none is really suitable for precision measurements.

- "There is a growing recognition of the need for a precise, coaxial connector of the flange type using a tube diameter that is reasonably compatible with widely used connectors. The use of a coaxial connector with a flange, which provides a clearly defined reference plane for measurement purposes is also a valid and practical solution in the vhf range.

- "The status of the standards of frequency and resistance suggest quite obviously the challenge in our field. When all of our electrical standards have been brought up to the level of these two, we can perhaps say that the problems of tomorrow have been solved—but then only temporarily."



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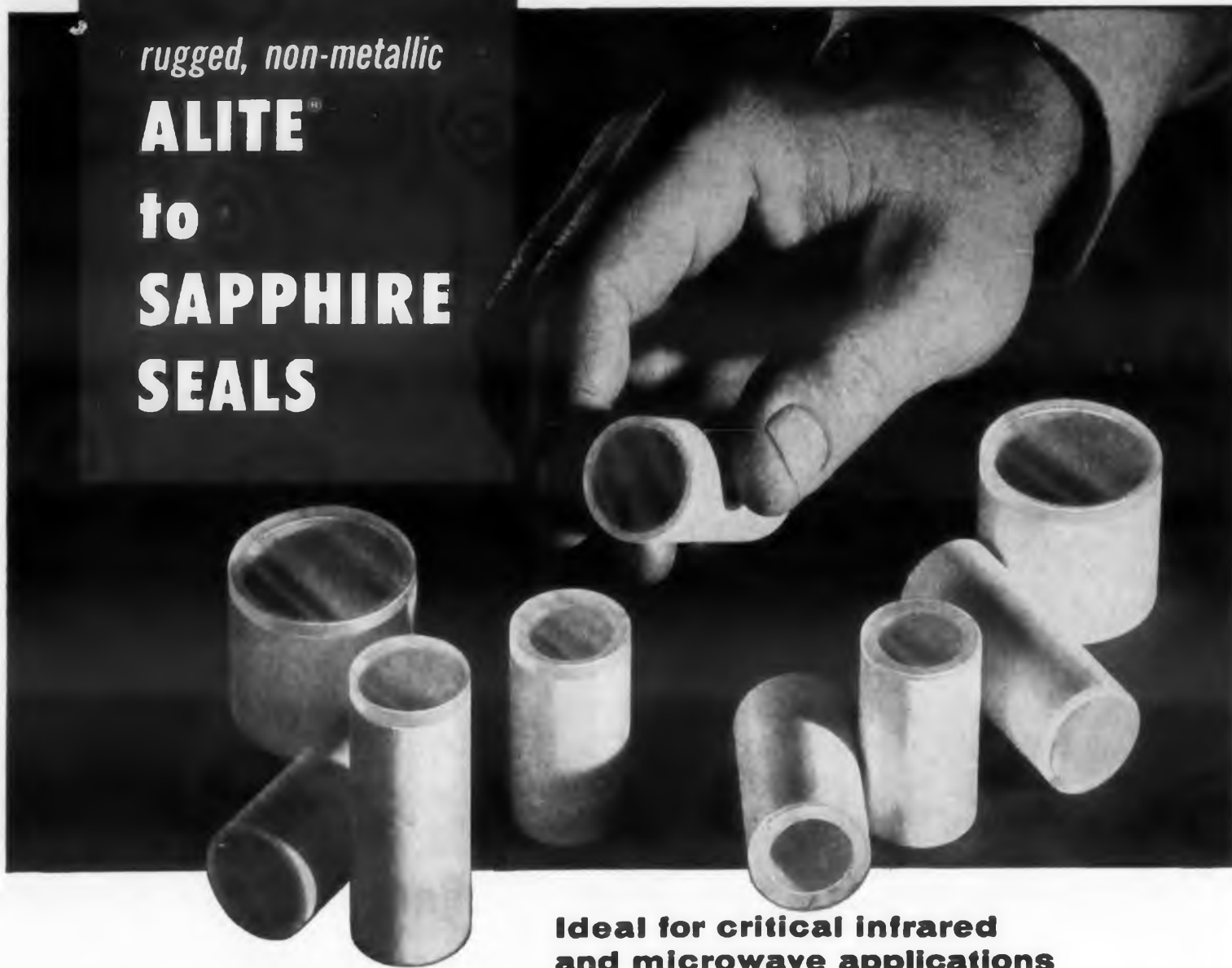
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Pure Fluid Amplifier Joins Tubes, Transistors as Basic Element

A new principle of amplification, replacing vacuum tubes and transistors in some applications, has been developed at Diamond Ordnance Fuse Laboratory, Washington.

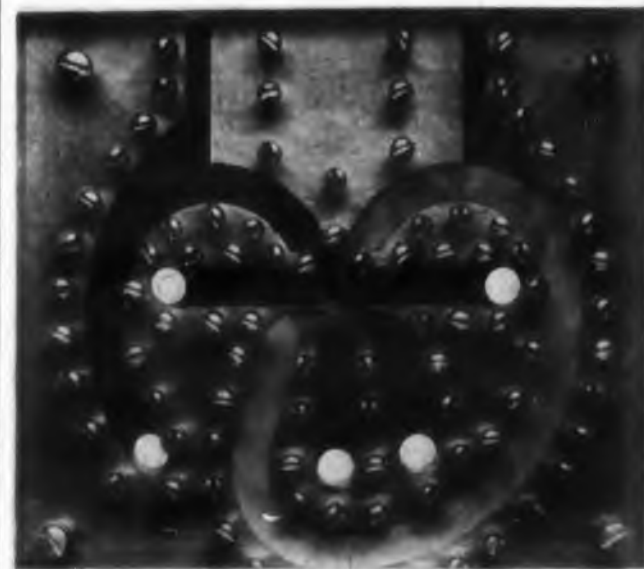
The basic amplifier is nothing more than a block of metal or hard plastic, with passages for the flow of a fluid. There are no moving parts. Operation is possible in temperatures ranging from near cryogenic to white heat. Shock, vibration, shelf-life, humidity and operating life should be minor problems, the laboratory says.

Operates On Jet-Deflection Principle

The basic amplifier comprises a power jet input, corresponding to a tube cathode; output jets, corresponding to plates; and control jets, corresponding to control grids.

The operation is based on the ability to deflect the high-power, fluid stream by directing low-power control jets at right angles to its flow. Amplification from 10 to 100 has been achieved.

Suitable design of feed-back passages yields bi-stable or tri-stable flip-flop units as well as



Pure fluid flip-flop of the momentum-exchange type acts like an Eccles-Jordan Circuit. Power jet (center) is directed up into either of two output paths by the control jets (horizontal). Feed-back paths (curved) reinforce the control jets, lock flow in one of two stable paths.

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oscillators. One flip-flop design, called the momentum-exchange type, is strictly equivalent to an Eccles-Jordan circuit. A second, or boundary layer type, depends on flow patterns within the passages themselves. A wide variety of control and computing devices are possible.

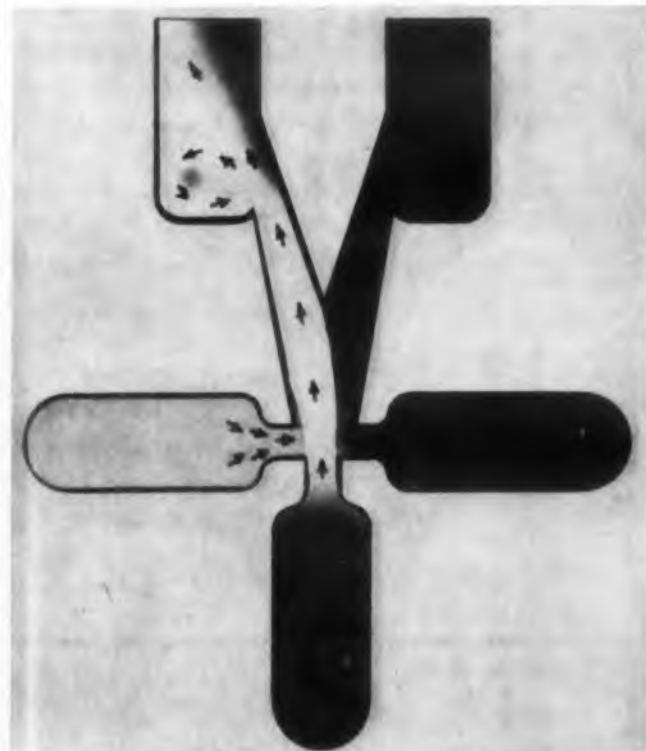
Frequency Limited to 20 kc

Frequencies as high as 5 kc have been achieved, using air as the fluid. Use of helium would extend this to about 20 kc.

This frequency limitation bars the device's use in large-scale digital computers, where only data are handled. However, in the many control-computer applications, where relatively large masses must be moved, these frequencies are more than adequate. The probable cost in quantity is less than a tenth that of tubes or transistors.

Applications are vast. They include hot-gas servos powered by rocket exhausts; pitometer and altimeter computers (where no transducers would be needed); aerodynamic control-surface servos, where the power supply could be ram-air; machine-tool control; and many others.

The three inventing scientists are Dr. R. E. Bowles, B. M. Horton and R. W. Warren.



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Army Missile Work Continues Despite Facilities Shift to NASA

Several missile programs will continue to be directed by the Army Ordnance Missile Command despite the shift of some Redstone Arsenal facilities and personnel to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Nike-Zeus, that anti-missile missile, is the major missile project remaining under Army control. Test-firing facilities being built in the Pacific will be used to test the Nike-Zeus against the Jupiter, an Army-developed intermediate range ballistic missile now under Air Force control.

The Army still has responsibility for the Redstone, a short-range, liquid-fuel ballistic missile scheduled to go out of production next year. It will be replaced by the Pershing, a solid fuel missile with similar capabilities, which will be under Army supervision.

Other Army missile systems, mainly tactical and short range types, are:

Missile "A," a new type of projectile now under study.

A weapon system known only as T-273. It is being developed jointly by the Army, the Chemical Corps and the Ordnance Weapons Command.

Redeye, an anti-aircraft missile, in the early development stage.

The Mauler, another anti-aircraft missile.

Two French anti-tank missiles, SS-10 and SS-11.

The Shillelagh anti-tank missile. It is being developed for the Ordnance Tank Automotive Command, and will be used in a vehicle mounted tactical system.

Little John, a surface-to-surface missile. It is scheduled to enter production this year. Other surface-to-surface weapons already in production under Army Supervision are the Corporal, Sergeant, LaCrosse and Honest John.

Three air defense missiles under Army responsibility are now in production. They are the Hawk, Nike Ajax, and Nike Hercules.

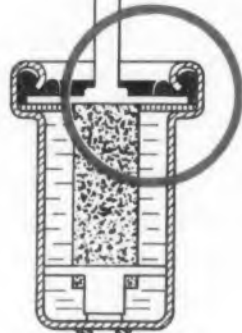
Go-Ahead Decision Made on Joint Communications Net for Military

A policy decision to integrate the military's upper-echelon communications system has been taken. So far the Defense Department has decided where it wants to go in organizing its world-wide telecommunications, but it has not mapped out the route for getting there.

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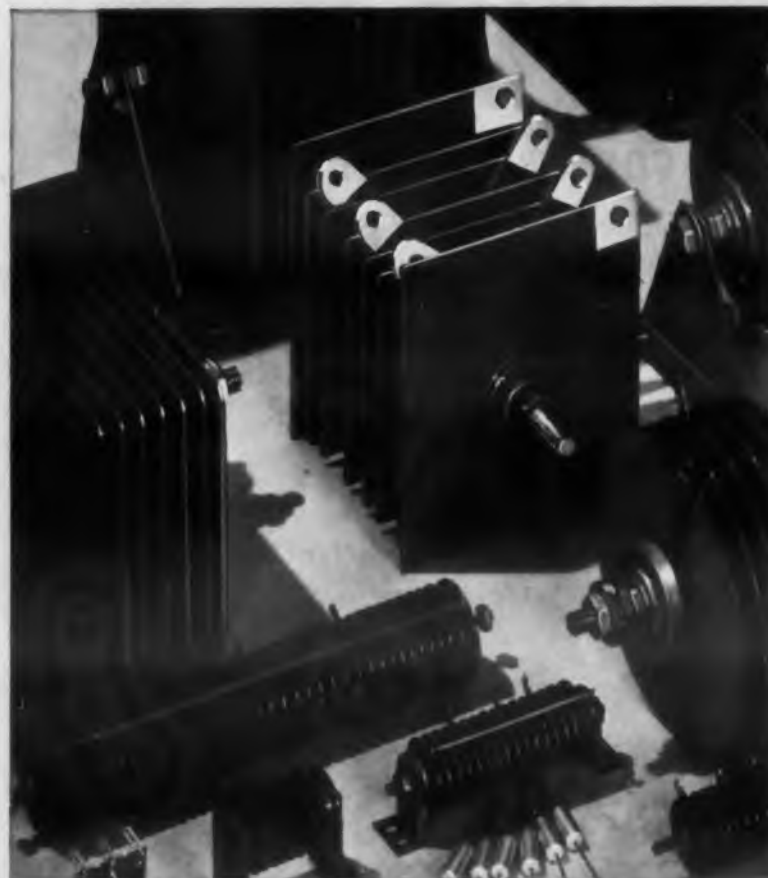
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Apparently, inter-service politics is still working against the eventual establishment of the new communications agency as an operating entity. The Army at first urged that its Signal Corps be given the huge communications job as a single manager. This met with opposition from both Navy and Air Force. The independent communications agency has the earmarks of being a barely acceptable compromise—individual services will continue to control communications terminals, subject to over-riding priorities of use to be laid down by the new agency.

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NEWS

Technical Education Assailed As Deaf to Industry Needs

"Schizophrenic" and "split-level" were among the labels pinned on technical education by speakers at the Control System Engineering Education Symposium in New York.

Too much to learn, too little time to learn in and a failure to recognize the specific needs of industry were cited as the main reasons for the current shortage of adequately trained personnel.

Educators complained about the vague boundaries between professional and semi-professional requirements and between technicians and skilled workers. There was much doubt as to what type of education and educational institution would fill the need in each area.

'Over-Promoting' Charged

Some educators accused industry of "over-promoting" technicians and then complaining about a shortage. "A good technician is often promoted to engineer but continues doing laboratory work," the head of one technical institute said. "Some personnel man studies the figures and decides that there's a shortage of technicians because engineers are doing lab work."

Speakers included Lloyd Slater, head of the Foundation for Instrument Education and Research; Prof. Henry Summer of Auburn University, and Prof. John G. Truxal of Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute. Over 200 delegates representing education and industry attended.

Industry spokesmen, on the other hand, complained that the technical schools were turning out "TV repairmen, mostly."

As in many such conferences, the most valuable interchange of ideas came during the coffee-clatches with day's speakers.

"In view of the rapid growth of technology," Prof. Summers commented, "the only thing we can teach are fundamentals. Equip the student with the capacity to learn the minutiae of his industry after graduation."

The symposium was the first in a series on education planned and sponsored by Servo Corp. of America.

Loran-C Found Precise At 1800 Miles for Ships

An experimental Loran-C navigation system has furnished position fixes of "fantastic" accuracy for ships at daytime ranges up to 1800 nautical mi, according to a report to the Office of Naval

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Research. At night the range of accuracy extended to 2300 mi.

The system is an outgrowth of Loran developed during World War II and currently used by ships and transoceanic aircraft to determine their positions.

The principle is the same. Radio pulses are transmitted by strategically situated radio stations known as "master" and "slave" stations. The pulses are synchronized by a timing signal generated at the master station and transmitted to the slaves. With special receiver equipment aboard ships or aircraft, the navigator measures the time lag between the radio signals of three or more stations, giving him an accurate fix.

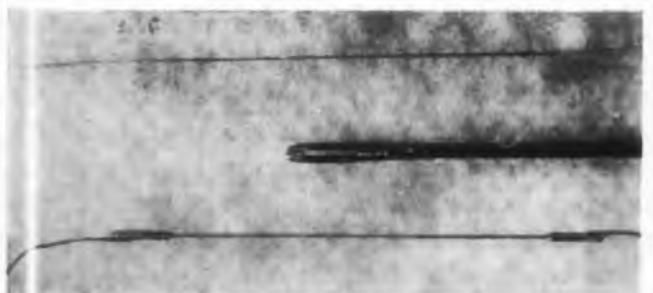
The major advantage of the new system is its use of low frequency. Conventional Loran operates at about 2 mc. Loran-C transmits at about 100 kc. Low-frequency transmission makes it possible to synchronize much more widely separated master-slave pairs. Low frequency also allows transmission of signals over large land masses, extending service to areas that cannot be covered by conventional Loran.

Jansky & Bailey, Inc., independent consultants of Washington, studied the Loran-C installations at Coast Guard stations in Massachusetts, North Carolina and Florida and reported the results to the Navy.

Using the North Carolina station as the master and Massachusetts and Florida stations as slaves, Jansky & Bailey bounced off the ionosphere. At points 900 mi from the most distant of the transmitters, 95 per cent of the fixes were found accurate to within 800 ft of the correct geographical position.

Silicon Strain-Gage Elements Said To Have High Sensitivity

Silicon strain-sensing elements claimed to be 50 times more sensitive than metallic strain wires have been produced by Electro-Optical Systems, Inc. Top element is a vapor-grown silicon whisker with leads attached. Bottom element is a sliver of silicon that has been lapped and etched. The company says the ultimate gauge factor is 175 for the low-impedance elements, shown here with a needle for size comparison. Metallic elements are said to have a gauge factor less than 5.



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Higher-Temperature Capacitors:

New Dielectric Materials Help Break the Heat Barrier

By Marc F. Warmuth, Staff Engineer, Airborne Accessories Corporation

Special Mylar*, Teflon† and mica constructions permit continuous operation up to 600°F

Three new types of special high-temperature motor-starting capacitors, utilizing Mylar, Teflon and mica dielectric respectively, have been developed recently by Airborne. The Mylar and Teflon types are wound of very thin metallized film for greatest possible miniaturization. The mica type is wound of a sandwich of aluminum foil and thin, pure mica ribbon, metallized mica not being procurable. All are encapsulated with thermoplastic polyamide or thermosetting epoxy resins (depending on temperature range) in sealed, cold-drawn steel cans with fused glass terminals. This construction provides low inductance units of exceptional mechanical sturdiness and environmental resistance.

As an alternate construction for less demanding applications, encapsulation in epoxy sleeves, with leads brought out through potted ends, is also available.

Mica for highest temperatures

The great advantage of mica as a dielectric is its ability to maintain its physical and electrical characteristics at temperatures up to 1000°F. All dielectric materials undergo severe reductions in

insulation resistance at high temperatures, but with mica the critical value is reached around 600°F. Full voltage ratings up to this point are thus permitted. And with the right epoxy resin impregnant, mica capacitors are well able to withstand overtemperatures without damage... if not simultaneously subjected to full rated voltages.

Mica capacitors are three to four times larger than Mylar or Teflon units of comparable capacitance and voltage rating. This is because a greater thickness of dielectric must be used, as well as a separate layer of aluminum foil.

Mylar and Teflon for intermediate high temperatures and small size

Mylar can be worked continuously up to 300°F (derated to 250°F for a-c applications) and Teflon up to 400°F. For applications below these limits, but above the normal 185°F limit of more conventional insulating materials, metallized Mylar and Teflon offer high dielectric strength. They make possible wound capacitors of very small size with good voltage ratings and excellent capacitance-to-volume ratios.

A further advantage of metallized Mylar and Teflon capacitors is their self-healing characteristic. The short occurring when the dielectric is ruptured

instantly burns the thin metallic coating back from the edges of the rupture, making further flashover impossible. Yet the amount of metallic coating burned away is so minute that hundreds of such self-healings have little effect on capacitance. Resistance to over-voltages can thus be considered excellent. Resistance to overtemperatures, on the other hand, is not an outstanding characteristic of Mylar or Teflon—a design factor to keep in mind.

Summary

MYLAR: For intermediate high temperatures, high voltage and smallest size. Continuous operation at 300°F with ratings up to 1000 WVDC. Capacitance variation with temperature good, but not as good as that of Teflon or mica types.

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For further information, request Product Bulletin PS-6A from AIRBORNE ACCESSORIES CORPORATION, Marketing Dept., HILLSIDE 5, N.J.

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NEWS BRIEFS . . .

. . . **TUNNEL DIODE SAMPLES** for use at vlf frequencies are available from the transistor division of Standard Telephones and Cables, Ltd., Footscray, England. These are believed the first sample tunnel diodes available from European sources.

. . . A **900-SAMPLE-PER-SEC** commutating switch has been developed by Instrument Development Laboratories, Inc. The high-speed switch, installed in ICBM's that were test-fired as far as 6,300 mi, samples temperature and passes the data in serialized form to a telemetering system. The system transmits the signals at 900 samples per sec over a single umbilical cable to ground recording equipment.

. . . A **\$4.3-MILLION CONTRACT** to extend range and high-altitude capabilities of the Sparrow III missile has been awarded to Raytheon Co. by the Bureau of Naval Weapons.

. . . **THE COAST GUARD** has awarded Texas Instruments, Inc., a contract for 138 strip chart recorders and related components for use in Loran-C systems.

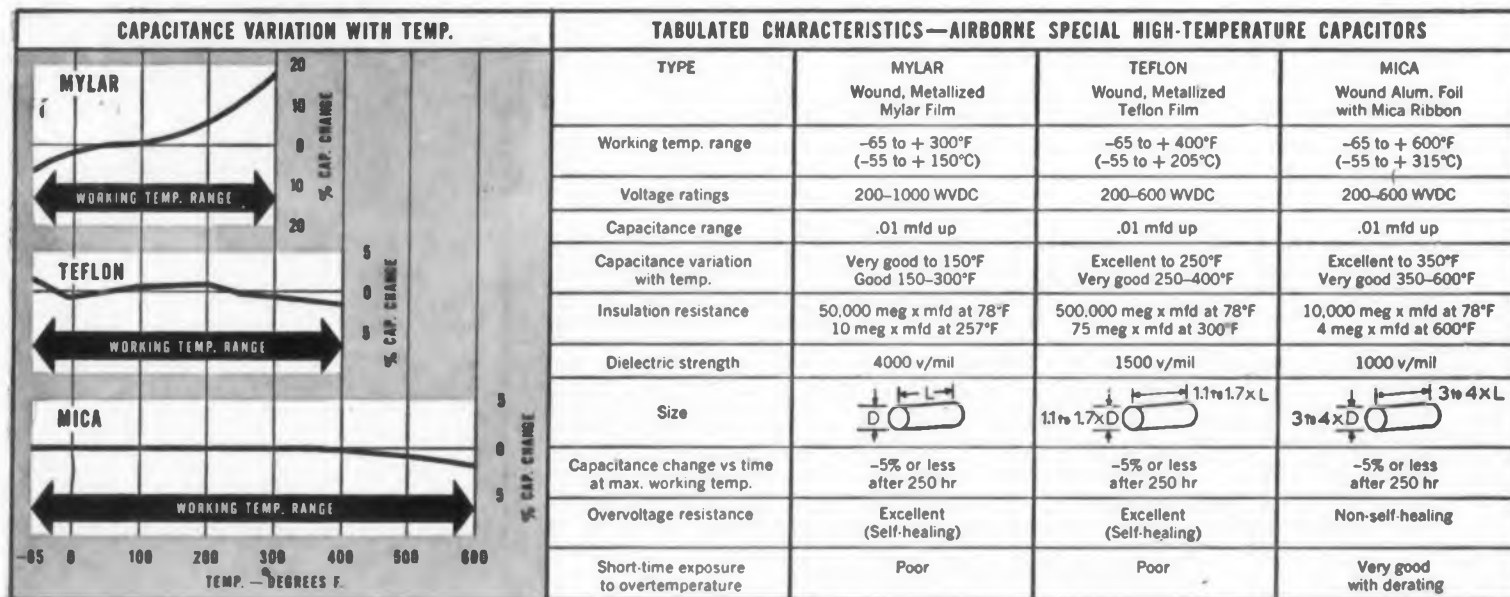
. . . **AN/ANP-130 DOPPLER RADAR** navigation sets, spares, support equipment, and engineering support items will be produced by Ryan Aeronautical Co., under a \$5.9-million contract from the Navy.

. . . **THE SOLID-STATE 7080** large-scale business computer recently announced by IBM has a 109-μsec rate of data transfer between tape units and main storage, a reading or writing rate of 312,500 bits per sec, and a main storage capacity of 160,000 bits. A basic 7080 system will sell for about \$2.3 million.

. . . A **COST-REDUCTION** conference held at Eclipse-Pioneer of Teterboro, N.J., covered the methods and techniques that trimmed \$3,166,400 from the direct cost of instrumenting the supersonic fighter-bomber, the F-105.

. . . A **REVOLUTIONARY** automobile ignition system being developed by a major electronics company would use microwave energy as the igniting agent. In this system, the ignition coil and condenser, distributor and timing drive, high-voltage wires and spark plugs would be replaced by a microwave pulser, waveguides and foolproof timing pickup. The microwave energy would ignite the combustible mixture in the cylinders of engines equipped with the system.

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CHANGES IN PRICES AND AVAILABILITY

... **SILICON TRANSISTORS** of the 2N1024-2N1038 series have been reduced in price up to 27 per cent by Sperry Rand Corp. Price reductions include the 2N1025, 2N1028 and 2N1469 (formerly the 2N1026A), which represent the first silicon mil-type pnp transistors offered to the industry.

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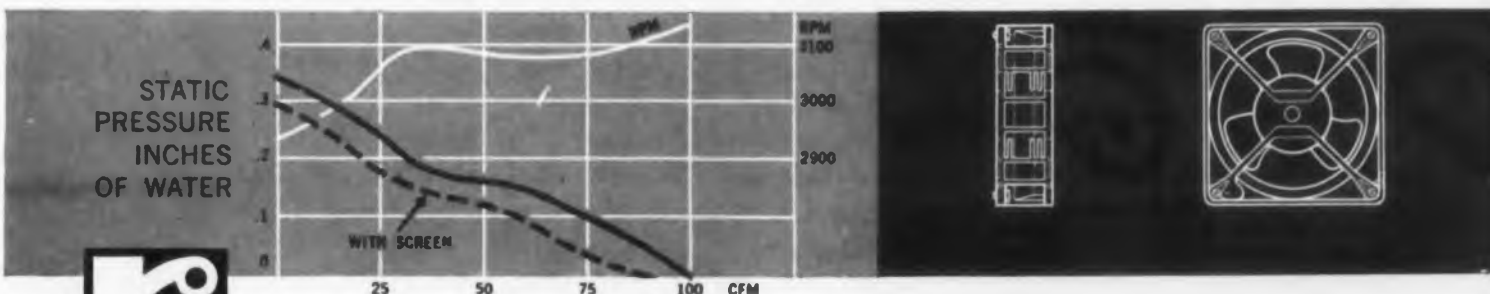
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Wide Application of Esaki Diode Near, Experts Tell Solid-State Conference

ENGINEERS from over the world heard specialists at the 1960 Solid-State Circuits Conference report that wide application of the Esaki (tunnel) diode is imminent. Only a little more design work and quantity production of the device are needed, the experts said.

Major computer manufacturers confirmed the existence of crash programs to develop Esaki diode circuits. Both large and small companies revealed top-priority projects to apply the diode to communication and microwave equipment. And several large companies discussed practical circuits.

But for circuit engineers, the question was, "Transistors or Esaki diodes?" Designers appear to be in the same position they were in a decade ago, when the transistor made its debut. Then they asked, "Tubes or transistors?" Some stayed with "proved" circuits, others adopted the transistor and changed the character of the industry.

Today designers familiar with standard solid-state technology, are trying to adjust to new concepts forced on them by the Esaki diode: negative resistance, ultra-high speeds and ultra-low power consumption.

Interest in the diode is so great that it dominated the solid-state conference.

More than 3,100 engineers and physicists from the United States, Japan, Great Britain, the Netherlands and Hungary were drawn to Philadelphia for the conference. Ten of the 43 prepared papers and the two most heavily attended informal eve-

ning discussions were devoted entirely to the characteristics of the Esaki diode and recent pioneering applications.

Thin magnetic films, digital logic and information-storage techniques, high-frequency amplification and solid-state advances in microelectronics rounded out the program.

Diode Talks Draw Crowds

Over 2,500 engineers—some skeptical, others eager—crowded the opening session. G. C. Dacey of Bell Laboratories reviewed the essential properties of the Esaki diode, with minimum reference to quantum mechanics. The diode's negative: resistance characteristic, equivalent circuit, and its potential uses were outlined.

Dr. J. J. Tieman, researcher of General Electric, followed with a discussion of various relaxation oscillators and frequency dividers that use the Esaki diode.

M. H. Lewin, of RCA Laboratories, described application of Esaki diodes to achieve basic logic functions. Dc-powered bi-stable operation with unconditional reset, monostable operation and clock-pulse operation were cited in computer applications.

M. E. Hines of Bell described possible high-frequency operation with small-spot and narrow-strip diodes for capacitance reduction. He told of a microwave oscillator operating at 3,000 mc, using signals coupled on a coaxial line. By increasing coupling, Mr. Hines said, oscillation can



An overflow audience turned out to hear Dr. Leo Esaki and other panel members discuss tunnel-diode applications. While specific applications were not outlined, the panel agreed that computers and communication equipment would soon be fitted with the Esaki device.

be prevented and amplification achieved. To separate input and output, a circulator may be used, he added.

An rf amplifier, with 30-db gain at 200 mc was discussed by E. Miller of RCA. An interesting characteristic of the amplifier, he said, is its decreasing gain as input signal is increased, caused by decreasing negative resistance as rf input is applied to the diode. The noise figure was said to be better than 4 db.

Semiconductor Growth Outlined

At the conference's formal opening, Dr. C. Guy Suits, GE's director of research, referred to the staggering growth of the semiconductor industry. In the last decade, he reported, the U.S. semiconductor market—diodes and transistors; not radios or equipment using these components—has doubled every year. An annual figure of \$500 million is forecast for 1960.

More than 10,000 scientists are engaged in world efforts to achieve greater solid-state developments, Dr. Suits said. He reported that 66 per cent of world research was done by four countries—Soviet Union, 24 per cent; U.S., 21 per cent; Great Britain, 11 per cent, and Japan, 10 per cent. In the last seven years, solid-state research has increased by a factor of 2.5, the speaker noted.

Dr. Suits indicated that the recent Soviet announcement of polymeric transistors might be an error, since the published technical reports de-

scribing the material did not point to a suitable device. However, he envisioned such possibilities in the near future through increased efforts by organic chemists in leading companies.

Finally Dr. Suits mentioned GE's gallium arsenide tunnel diode, recently announced, with oscillation obtainable at 10,000 mc.

European Efforts Described

Prof. M. J. O. Strutt of the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology outlined solid-state research in Europe. Since most European countries do not sponsor extensive programs, as is common in the U.S., Professor Strutt said, they cannot hope to achieve the rapid and wide progress reached here. Secrecy among countries, he said, precludes a combined European research program.

As the conference concluded, it was apparent that visitors had been impressed with the quality of the papers, the distribution of fully detailed abstracts in advance of talks, and the well-attended, active discussion sessions.

Copies of the "Digest of Technical Papers," are available at \$5 a copy from H. G. Sparks, the Moore School of Electrical Engineering, University of Pennsylvania, 200 S. 33d St., Philadelphia 4, Pa.

The Panel Sessions— A Report to Designers

A group of *ELECTRONIC DESIGN* editors attended the key panel sessions at the Solid-State Circuits Conference. Here are their seven reports.

TUNNEL DIODE APPLICATIONS:

Low-Noise Amplifiers, Computers May Use New Esaki Device

Panel members discussing tunnel-diode applications at the solid-state conference became slightly peeved after numerous questions aimed at pinning down exact frequency limits, switching speeds and circuit configurations for the Esaki diode. The experts conceded they had no precise answers at present.

However, in view of the high-speed switching capabilities of the device—speeds of 10^{-12} sec theoretically—most specialists agreed that the device would find initial widespread use in computer equipment. Three-phase pulse-clock systems, hybrid-T arrangements and other configurations are under investigation to achieve unilateralization, the conference heard.

A Bell Laboratories scientist presented details

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of a 4.5-kmc amplifier using a germanium Esaki diode with a peak current of 1.1 ma and a peak-to-valley ratio of 2.5. Stable power gain of 25 db was achieved, he said, with a noise figure of 8.4 db, and additional work is expected to reduce the noise figure to a value closer to the theoretical level of 5.5 db. The bandwidth was measured as 20 mc, and the diode capacitance was estimated to be about 2 μ f. The power output, with linear gain, was reported as only 1 μ w, representing a swing of about 3 per cent of the negative resistance region.

MAGNETIC LOGIC

All-Magnetic Logic Challenges Semiconductor Systems

Better core materials were the principal topic at the magnetic logic panel session. The obvious advantages of an all-magnetic logic—no diodes, transistors or other active elements—have made it an industry-wide design goal. In practice, however, magnetic elements of considerable output are needed to drive succeeding logic stages.

Those attending the session were unanimous in expressing their requirements for higher-energy materials.

But, as one delegate noted, "magnetic properties under various conditions are not well-known; we are still in the pot-mixing stage." Since properties often cannot be predicted in advance, delegates reported that much of their time was devoted to trial-and-error work.

Even so, the prevailing attitude was one of general optimism. On a cost and reliability basis, all-magnetic logic was seen competitive with transistorized and diode-core logic systems in lower speed applications. Speed is presently limited to 1 mc, but films and thin-rolled sheets were mentioned as possible entries in the high-speed derby.

Do-It-Yourself Logic Kit Possible

Designers predicted wide application of all-magnetic logic in special-purpose computers. Modular logic packages would be readily combined for a wide variety of logic functions. Do-it-yourself kits of integrated logic packages would permit assembly of special computers directly from system logic diagrams. The time lag between logic design and a working circuit would be sharply reduced.

Bits from the Conference

"**Help stamp out klystrons**" was proposed by J. B. Angell of Philco as a battle cry for transistor designers trying to boost power and frequency. He thought it in much better taste than the "Help stamp out transistors" line of the early Fifties. Transistors are being stamped out even faster than automobile bodies these days.

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Overheard between panel sessions: "Tunnel diodes? Most people can't even design a decent transistor circuit—what are they going to do with this monster?"

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Are engineers plumbers? IBM Zurich Laboratories are awash in research on hydraulic computers, conferees heard. Hydraulic memory and logic systems could operate card punches and other low-speed, high-power systems directly. Components are said to be reasonably small, and speeds "considerably in excess of 100 cycles per sec" are hinted at.

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Someone must be trying to lure Dr. Esaki away from IBM. Recruiting folders passed out by a major semiconductor company had covers printed in Japanese. The translation was "Opportunity." But no sake was poured at the various hospitality suites.

"Logic designers never did worry much about transistor circuitry," was one comment, "and now they won't have to."

The general optimism of the session was only somewhat dampened when the subject of micro-miniaturization was raised. With available and foreseeable magnetic materials, the energy to drive complex, self-powered logic systems requires cores of appreciable size. Not only does power output fall off with size, but the fine connecting wires in microminiaturized arrays would reduce available power still further. Nevertheless intelligent design and the inherently simpler circuitry of all-magnetic logic can make size competitive with other systems, it was brought out.

Bell Labs Shows Miniature Register

To illustrate, Bell Laboratories displayed a working model of a 10-bit, all-core shift register of approximately 1 cu in. Available power permits considerable fan-out, and other integrated logic units are being designed on a similar scale.

For the cost-conscious, news of rolled-sheet panels being developed by RCA at Princeton was particularly welcome. Thin Permalloy sheet

The Air Force was reported doing tail-spins over gallium arsenide tunnel diodes. While still tricky for transistors, it looks to be just the thing for high-temperature tunnel diodes.

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What's missing . . . missing . . . missing . . . from radar receivers? If it's parametric amplifiers, you'll never know. According to Dana Atchley of Microwave Associates, improvement with paramps was so slight that operators had to be told the device was in the line. High-quality receivers were involved in these tests, but the improvement in input noise from 9 db to 1-1/2 or 3 db, believed possible with parametric amplifiers, is strictly academic.

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Tunnel-diode enthusiasts predict a new generation of "real cheap" communications equipment, going to 1,000 mc. "With tunnel diodes and printed strip conductors," one said, "we can turn out hf equipment at the same price we're getting for the 100-mc units."

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When it comes to atomic radiation, the tunnel diode is said to be a glutton for punishment. Good prospects are seen for nuclear instrumentation amplifier application. Some designers think the Esaki device could be modified to detect radiation.

is being applied to a base material, and cores are etched out. Printed wiring is then applied to the cores. Since this method is particularly suited to automatic production, cost could be a small fraction of that possible with wired ferrite cores.

The panel moderator, D. C. Engelbart, described work in progress at the Stanford Research Institute. Much of the pioneering work in all-magnetic logic was performed there and an experimental computer employing MAD (Multiple Aperture Device) magnetic elements is being built under joint Government and commercial sponsorship.

STORAGE TECHNIQUES

Magnetics and Speed Problems Noted

"Magnetism is one of the very few things Nature gives us without charge," the moderator of a solid-state conference panel, J. A. Rajchman of

RCA Princeton, commented. But a lively, sometimes heated discussion that followed showed that the practical application of this gift to computers involved design headaches.

Nevertheless ideas and developments reviewed at the session portrayed magnetics as the storage workhorse of today and the designer's best bet for tomorrow. Optical and electrostatic storage methods were, for the most part, devalued by those attending.

Interest in the well-known but little-applied technique of cross-field magnetization was renewed by the announcement of Burrough's Fluxlox. This device, now in advanced development, uses standard ferrite cores in which cross-field magnetization is said to result in a non-destructive, high-speed memory. Fluxlox developers noted that only at higher speed is the cross-field effect readily apparent and its application feasible.

Delegates agreed that much exploratory work and research into new techniques and effects were needed. Certainly cross-field data in many a laboratory are due for a second, closer look.

Ferrite Plate Memories Considered

Ferrite plate memories also came in for a good deal of attention. In such memories, the usual array of cores is replaced by a thin, perforated ferrite sheet. Microsecond switching times and low cost were reported. This technique would seem ideal for miniaturization and automated production. Bell Laboratories and RCA are among those actively developing ferrite sheet units.

High-speed developments attracted much interest and criticism, the latter primarily because of high cost. Many designers, however, said final unit cost should be an incidental consideration in R&D.

"If you're going to consider money," said one, "you'll never begin anything." This view was generally held by those whose projects were in the early stages of development. It was opposed, quite naturally, by designers whose work was within sight of the production line.

Accent on Speed Questioned

Though switching speeds on the order of millimicroseconds were reported for thin films and even cores, some designers challenged the practical applications of such devices.

"Sure it's fast, but you can feed what's left of the core through a sieve," was one doubtful observation.

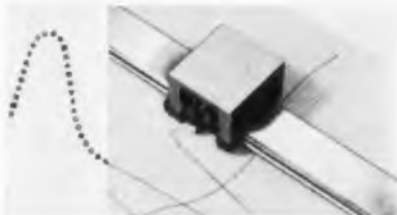
A more telling point was scored by those who noted that the delay in peripheral equipment and connecting wires exceeded that of many core arrays already in use. Others questioned the capacity possible in a millimicrosecond memory



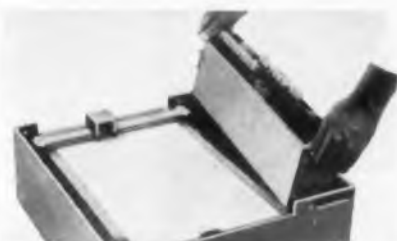
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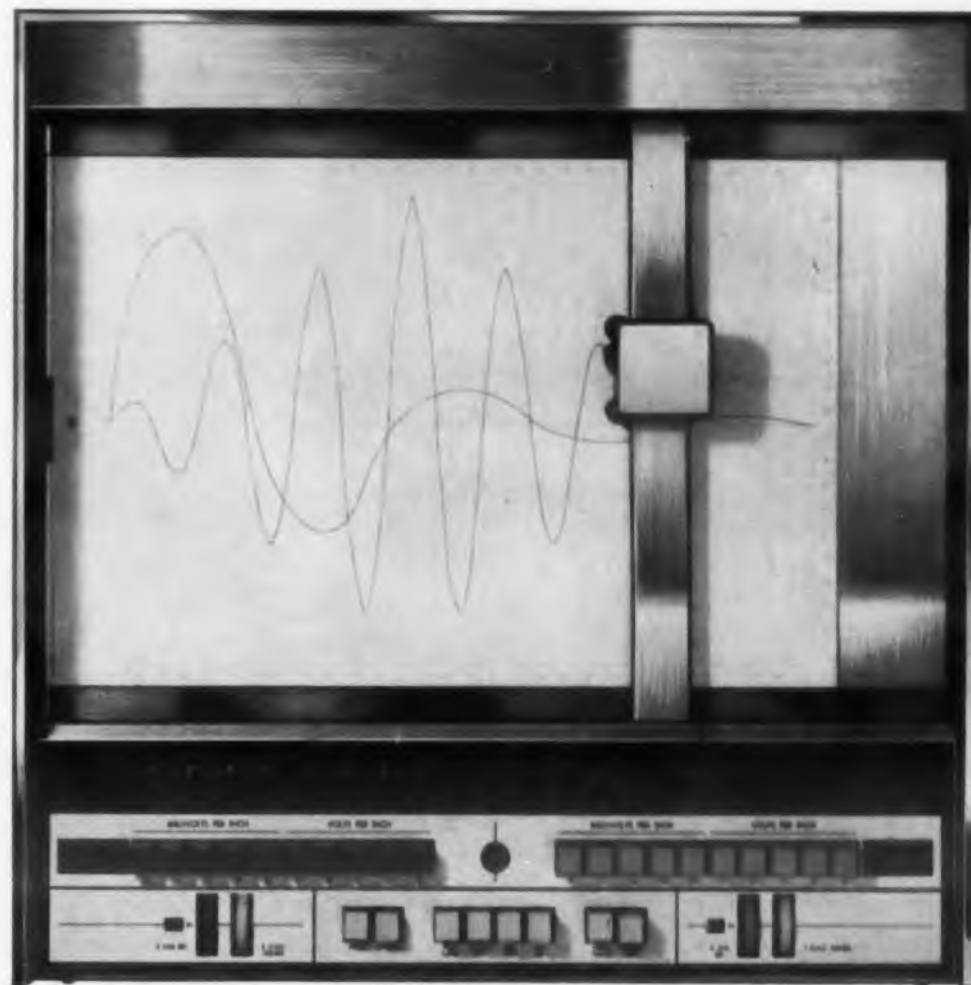
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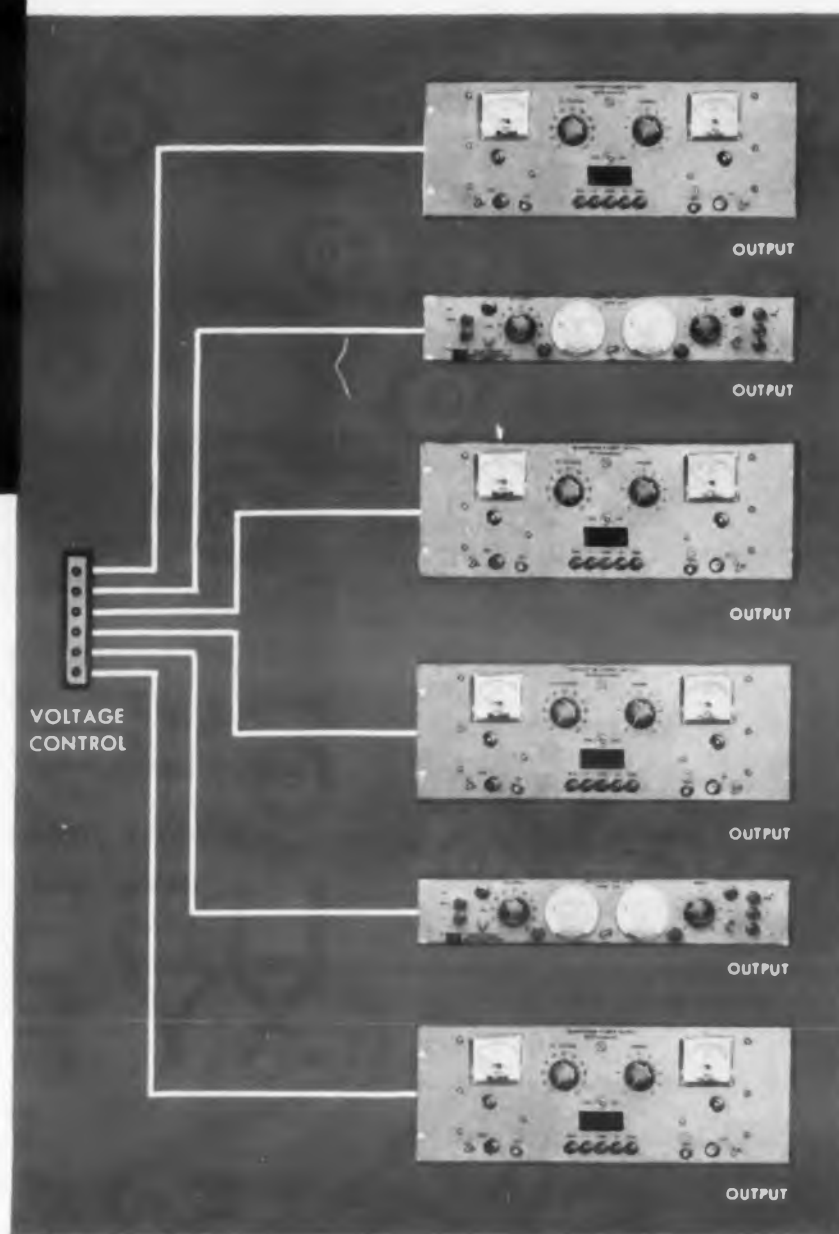
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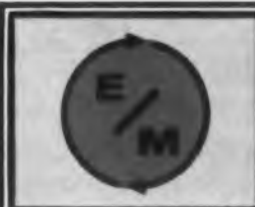


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whose switching time approached the time required for light to travel only 1 ft. One possible solution to this problem would be the dispersion of small, high-speed memories within a large computer.

Discussion also centered on papers read by panel members at the general sessions. Subjects covered included tunnel-diode memories, sub-millisecond core memories using multiple coincidence read-write and multiple aperture cores, and a fast, non-destructive memory with two cores per bit developed by the United Kingdom Royal Radar Establishment.

PARAMETRIC APPLICATIONS

Harmonic Generators Held Key to Extension of Solid-State HF Limits

In a conference room shaped like a long waveguide section, the application of solid-state devices to parametric amplifiers was discussed in a spirited, informal way.

The use of varactors in parametric amplifiers is saddled with a variety of problems, it became obvious during the session. Speakers noted the desire for an all-solid-state microwave parametric amplifier, independent of electron-tube pump sources, had led to experiments with harmonic generators.

H. Hsu of General Electric discussed selection of the best nonlinear device for a frequency multiplication job. While a first-order nonlinearity is preferred for other applications, a higher-order nonlinearity is more suited for harmonic generators, he said. Since oscillators drop off as frequency becomes higher, he went on, the use of a harmonic generator is expected to extend the upper frequency limit of solid-state sources.

Solid State T-R Devices Proved Successful

Varactor solid-state T-R tubes were mentioned as a very promising area of application. Such devices, it was said, have been used successfully at 900 mc in protecting detectors from as much as 20 kw. Insertion loss of less than 2 db was reported achieved, and even lower figures were anticipated. Such devices require a very high power for the higher frequencies and are presently limited to rather short pulses, the panel brought out.

Protection against tremendously large transmitter power can be achieved, it was said, by depend-

tiny device, since the device does not absorb the power but passes it, acting as a short-circuit. Robert Rider of Bell Laboratories mentioned that varactors had withstood 100-amp surge current.

Ferrites Found Disappointing

Ferrites were described by A. Berk of Hughes as a general disappointment so far. One type of ferrite parametric amplifier uses reasonably low power, he said, but does not work very well. Another type works very nicely, but requires 1-kw pump power. This was essentially the status a year ago. Progress since then has been nil, Mr. Berk said. Several laboratories have abandoned work on these devices, he noted, while several others have cut back their effort drastically.

Paramps Improve Pulse Radar Systems

How effective are parametric amplifiers when inserted in the input of a pulse radar system? Two views were put forward. Two "parametricians" cited cases in which input noise in S-band radars was cut from about 9 db to 3.5 db in one case and to 1.5 db in the other, with a corresponding increase in range of 20 per cent. Dana Atchley of Microwave Associates tagged such an improvement in radar as almost academic. His experience was that operators had to be told that the improvement was achieved before they could detect the difference. In radar, it can only be proved by photographs or careful measurement, he said, adding that this was not the case in radio-astronomy, where every db counts.

HIGH-FREQUENCY AMPLIFICATION AND GENERATING

Rises Predicted In Transistor Power And Frequency

High-frequency, solid-state components now showing promise for the circuit designer were discussed by a panel at the solid-state conference.

Researchers present expected that the power-handling capability of the "injection triode," or transistor, would be considerably increased by new fabricating techniques and materials. In fact, J. B. Angell of Philco Corp. and the panel moderator predicted that transistors would soon be replacing klystrons in the 10-kmc, 10-20-mw range.

With the fabrication methods to come, transistor frequencies approaching 50 kmc (at a liquid nitrogen ambient temperature) were anticipated. New advances were also expected in the fabrication and use of the field-effect transistor (which depends on the motion of only one type of car-

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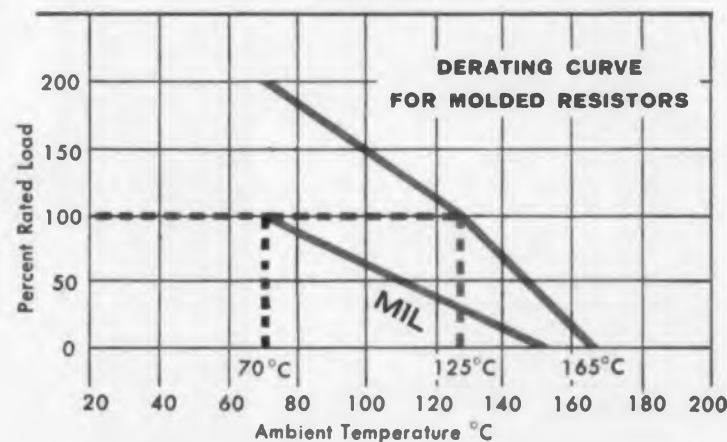


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rier); the analog transistor, or spacistor (essentially a field-effect unit); the Read diode (a form of avalanche diode), and the diffusion-delay diode.

Gallium arsenide and indium antimonide were named as two materials appearing to have very interesting and fruitful possibilities. The Esaki diode, panel members felt, would eventually operate at frequencies of up to 100 kmc. However, no one would discuss the feasibility of designing this device into a practical circuit.

Varactor Amplifier Figures Cited

Concerning linear amplification, it was felt that designs would soon be capable of achieving 30 db of gain at 100 mc. Present gain limits were placed at 20 db at 100 mc and 5 db at 200 mc. The variable capacitor amplifier was said to surpass the transistor amplifier by at least a gain factor of 10. For low-noise amplification, the variable reactance amplifier was described as best.

Sample figures for currently designed reactance amplifiers were given as: 2 kmc at 1-3 db noise, 6 kmc at 3-5 db noise and 10 kmc at 5-10 db noise.

Also reported was a harmonic generator circuit furnishing a power level of 5 mw at a frequency of 2.3 kmc. This was a fifth harmonic and had only 4.5 db attenuation. Reports of other harmonic amplifiers noted power levels of 2.4 w at 20 mc with 0.8 db loss, and 1 w at 400 mc with 1.6 db loss.

THIN FILMS FOR MEMORY

Production Problems of Layers Cited

Thin magnetic films, which may one day replace ferrite cores in computer memories, are today posing some rather severe production problems. Chief among these is how to make an array of thin-film spots and be sure that every spot is good.

Conferees at a panel session of the solid-state conference agreed that thin films could provide very fast read-write cycle times—of less than 1 μsec —and that they had less power dissipation and were simpler and more compact than ferrite cores. But beyond this, the panelists appeared to “agree to disagree.”

Where one advocated that film arrays be made by vapor deposition followed by photoetching, another suggested electroplating followed by photoetching.

Where one proposed an oxygen-free atmosphere during film production, another argued that

oxygen doesn't bother the films at all.

But all agreed that—however they are made—thin films pose problems. The chances of producing a good thin-film spot on a substrate are very high, it was said. With very uniform substrates and films, yields of 90 per cent were reported.

But a 90 per cent yield is not adequate when a plate of 2,500 spots per sq in. is to be produced, the panel reported. One bad spot can make the plane useless.

One approach advocated for this problem is to mount two planes back to back. Then, with a 90 per cent yield per plane, chances are excellent that a perfect array will result—that at each position there will be at least one good spot.

MICROELECTRONICS

Reliability Top Concern of Specialist

"Do we have standards of reliability?" asked an observer at a microelectronics session of the solid-state conference. "No," the panel agreed. "We must have a product before we can establish standards."

Perhaps improved system reliability would be best achieved by redundancy, one panel member suggested. The smaller size of microminiature circuits lend themselves to duplication as a "spare" in the event of failure, he noted.

The objectives of microminiaturization were given as reliability, low cost and simpler components. One panelist pointed out that reliability and cost were closely allied.

"We can reduce cost," he said, "by reducing the number of interconnections. Thus we also achieve greater reliability. Simplicity resulting from the solid-circuit approach should result in increased reliability."

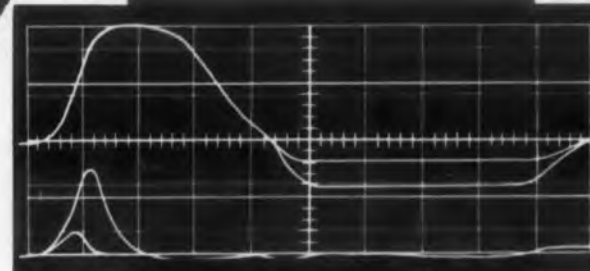
Panel members were divided on the best approach to microminiaturization—the circuit assembled of conventional components or the solid circuit. Practical solid circuits, several panel members contended, are still many years away. However, a spokesman for Texas Instruments reported that TI had developed working practical computer circuits for four customers.

Solid-circuit researchers, namely Westinghouse and Texas Instruments, feel that their best chance of a profitable course is to limit their objectives, the panel was told. In other words, the companies agree that they cannot extend themselves in every area. At present they are attacking computer circuitry, with more complex functional blocks as the next likely step. ■ ■

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toscan system. This photo is a
15-diam blow-up of a 2½-by-
2½-in. negative. The negative
was made with a special cam-
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with extremely high resolution
was scanned by a line-scan
tube to convert its information
to an electrical signal. The sig-
nal was then played back over
a "simulated data link" to pro-
vide the light beam that ex-
posed the negative from which
this photo was made. Resolu-
tion of the enlargement is on
the order of 40 lines per mm.



Recon System Designed to Radio Photos Without Loss of Detail

AN airborne visual reconnaissance sys-
tem based on a new scanning tube
and other improvements reportedly can
telemeter photos without losing detail.
When fully developed, the Photoscan sys-
tem is expected to be capable of trans-
mitting to viewers on the ground a 2-1/2-
by-2-1/2-in. aerial photo with a resolu-
tion approaching 40 lines per mm.
Transmission time would be less than 3
sec.

Heart of the system is a flying-spot
line-scan tube of new design that scans
at rates up to 20 kc. Also used is image
enhancement in both vertical and hori-
zontal directions, an electron gun built
to extremely close tolerances, and a new
photomultiplier tube.

Photoscan is being developed by CBS
Laboratories of Stamford, Conn.

The system operates this way:

Movie film exposed by an aerial cam-
era is developed in seconds by a film
processor and fed to a temporary storage
unit to await scanning and transmission
of its image.

The image is scanned by a flying spot
focused through a lens that can be oscil-
lated. Scanning can be done in two ways:
with the film momentarily stopped and
the horizontal and vertical scans provided
by the flying spot and moving lens; or
with the film moving and the two scans
provided by the flying spot and the mo-
tion of the film.

Light from the flying spot passes
through the film, after being modulated
by the film's density, and is picked up
by a photomultiplier. The electrical sig-
nal from the photomultiplier is fed to a



Line-scan tube on which Photoscan system is based has a phosphor-coated anode that rotates at 1,600 rpm to provide a high-density flying spot for scanning of film. Anode, shown disassembled in foreground, has a motor rotor on its shaft.



Encapsulated line-scan tube is a production version for military environments.

video amplifier and processor and finally goes to a transmitter.

At the receiving station, the process is reversed. The video signal is processed in an amplifier, sync separator and enhancement circuitry. The signal modulates another line-scan tube that generates a spot, which exposes film. The film is rapidly processed and sent to a viewer.

Airborne Components Lightweight

CBS reports that the airborne components weigh less than 100 lb, including making camera, film processor and transmitting equipment rugged to specifica-

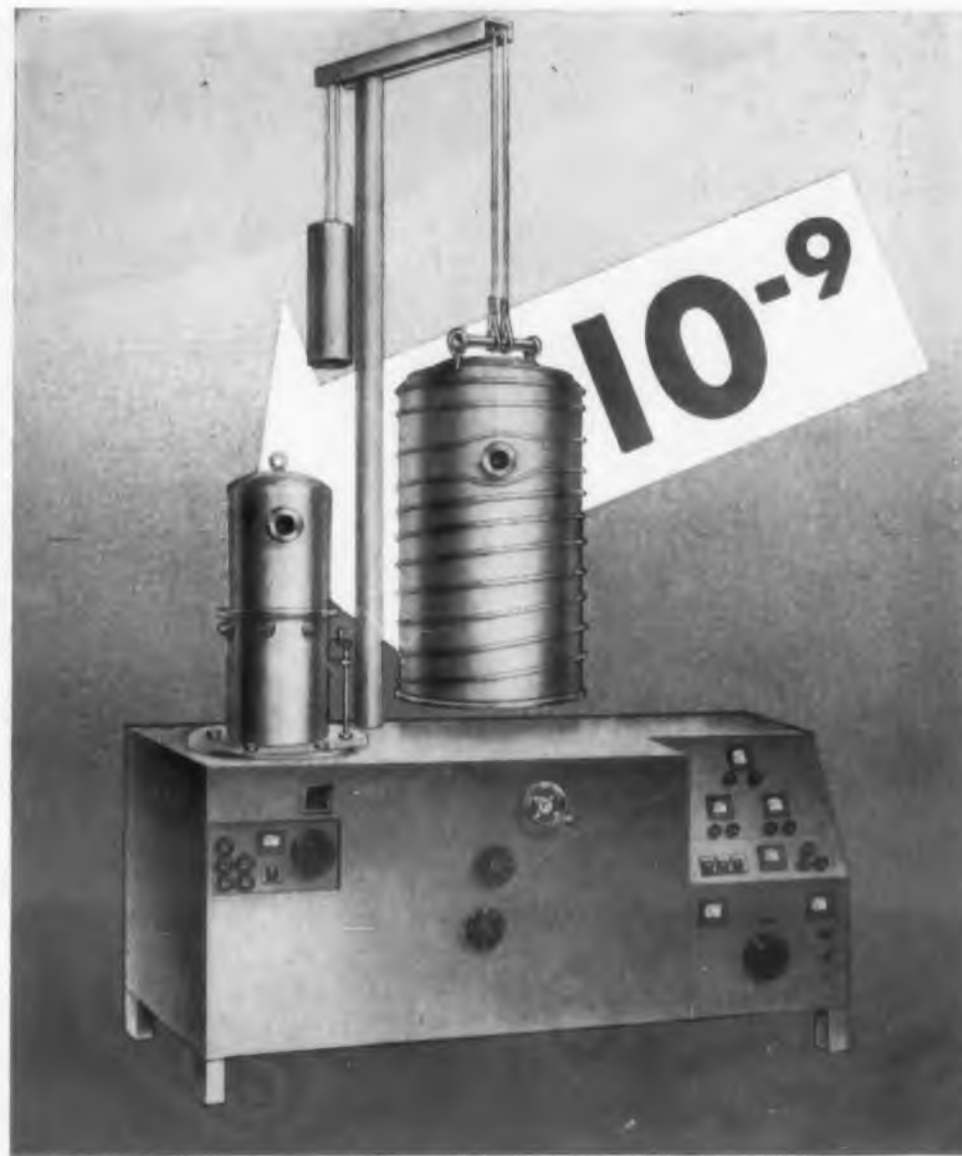
tions. Total power drain is about 100 w. An aircraft's standard wideband telemetering equipment may be used for the transmissions. CBS is still experimenting with equipment and has not developed a prototype ground unit. Receptions are being handled by a special laboratory unit with duplicated circuits and components.

Scanner Has Rotating Anode

The flying-spot, line-scan tube is capable of generating a high-intensity, small-diameter spot of constant density. The tube has a rotating anode (see illustrations) driven by a motor within the tube envelope. CBS designers adopted a rotating anode to eliminate the phosphor burning that normally accompanies repetitive scanning of a single line.

To reduce irregularities in the phosphor surface, the phosphor is deposited electrically on the surface of the anode, which is a stainless steel drum. The drum is driven by a motor, the rotor of which is on the shaft of the drum and within the tube's glass envelope and vacuum. The rotor is powered by an external field that does not interfere with the normal fields of the tube. The stator is outside the vacuum.

Another advantage of a rotating anode, the designers report, is the fast dissipation of heat generated by the electron beam. Heat is dissipated over the entire drum volume.



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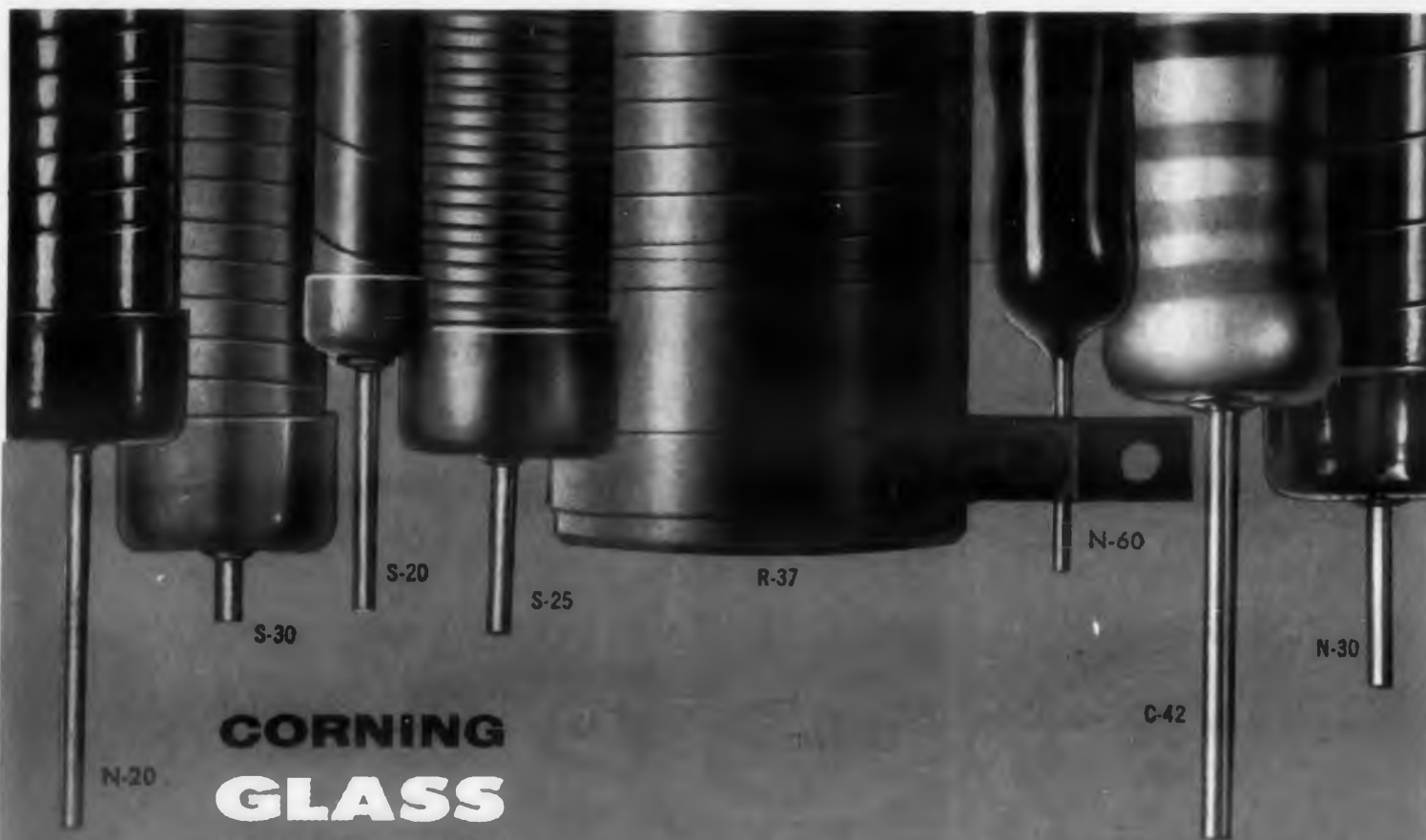
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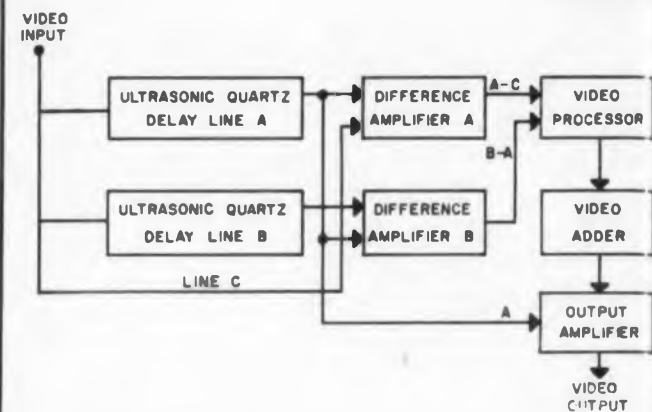
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Vertical aperture compensation circuit shows how signals for three scanning lines are processed to provide enhancement of final image. Equalizing signal representing the difference in information carried by adjoining scan lines is added to output. Video processor contains amplifying, compensating and other circuitry.

The drum rotates at 1,600 rpm, and its length is scanned by the spot in 0.00005 sec. If necessary, CBS says, the scanning rate can be pushed as high as 100 mc.

The tube's design places the spot of light on the same side of the phosphor as the electron gun. This direct generation of light on the phosphor surface makes it possible, according to the company, to operate the tube with such efficiency that halo effect caused by multiple reflections in the tube face is eliminated.

Peak power supply for the tube is 25,000 v at 100 μ amp. Intensity of the electron beam is 100 μ amp. Size of the spot on the phosphor is 1 circular mil. This spot eventually reaches the film surface as a spot 0.005 mm in diameter.

Standard and Novel Electronics Used

Standard electronics are used for most of the processing of the video signal that is to be transmitted. But while the signal is being amplified, and compensation and synchronization signals are added, an advanced type of gain control compensates for uneven film exposure across single frames and keeps the average signal level constant.

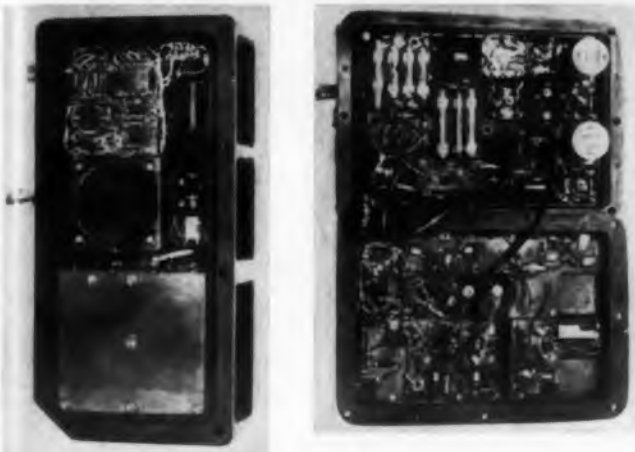
At the ground base the signal is reconstituted by more sophisticated techniques than can be used in the airborne equipment. Ground equipment applies vertical and horizontal aperture compensation, continuous and completely flexible gamma correction, highlight aperture compensation and crispening to the signal, which may vary in bandwidth from 1 to 10 mc.

Circuit designers have developed special ver-

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Airborne components for Photoscan are miniaturized and made rugged. Total airborne package weighs less than 100 lb. Unit at left contains a high-gain video amplifier that provides phosphor-decay compensation and power supplies. It also houses a signal-level, controlled high-voltage source for the photomultiplier tube. At right is a completely solid-state synchronizing and scan generator. Silicon-jelly potting is used for insulation and for suppression of arcing.

tical aperture compensation techniques in Photoscan that provide enhancement for information that lies parallel to the scanning line. They believe the technique is adaptable to interlaced television.

The basic vertical aperture compensating circuit (see block diagram) processes three-line groups of adjacent scan lines. It uses the difference in information carried by two lines to generate an equalizing signal. Special ultrasonic quartz delay lines store individual lines of video information, so they can be compared.

If an individual spot in a line overlaps a dark and a light area, its signal is adjusted to give the spot either the dark or light tone of its adjacent spots, thus providing enhanced edge contrast.

Electron Gun and Photomultiplier

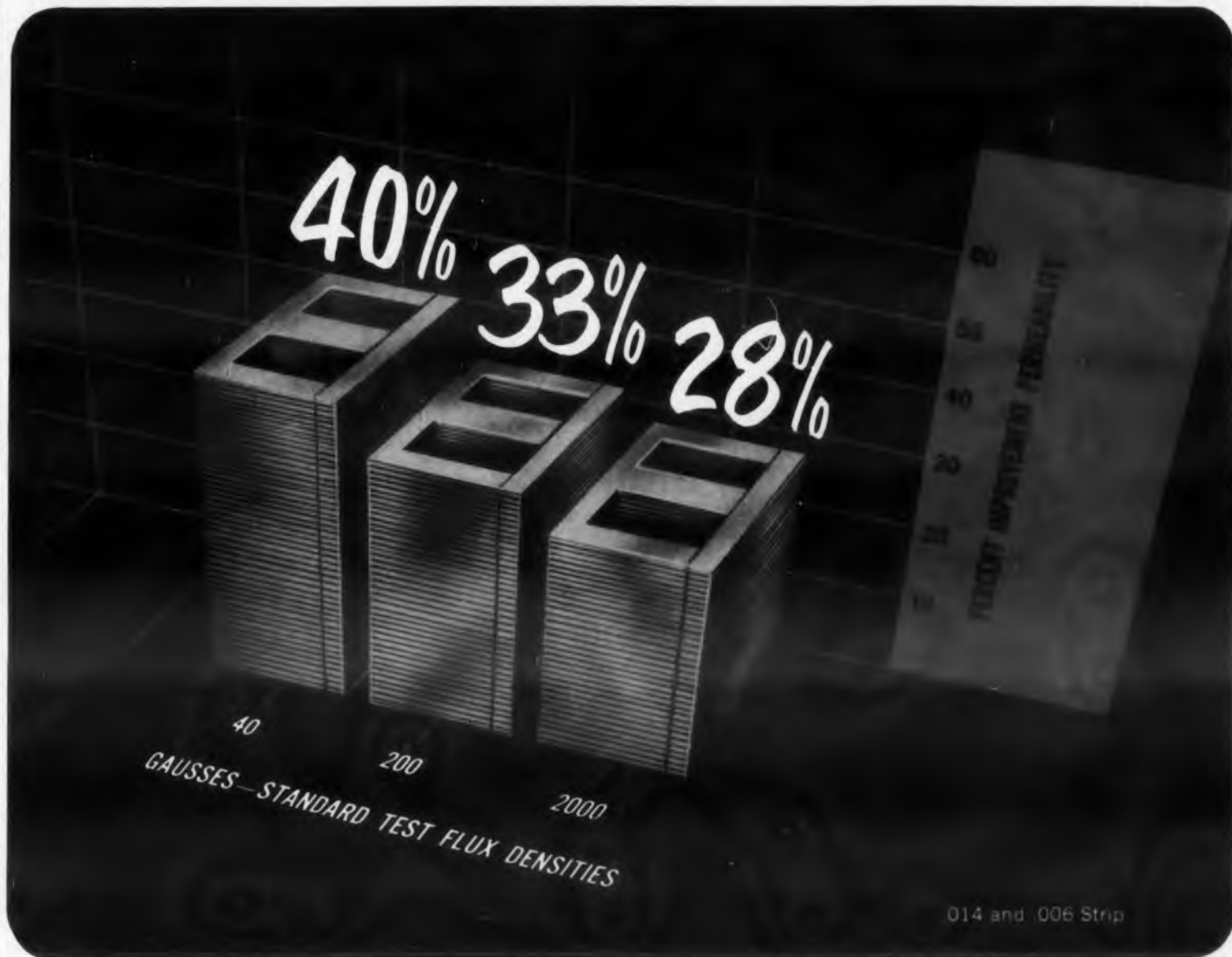
The electron gun that generates the scanning beam has specially designed scanning and deflection coils mounted on the gun's glass tube, where they are aligned. The coils must be mounted externally to permit adjustment through the tube's encapsulation.

The photomultiplier tube developed for Photoscan has a dynode structure designed to reduce the transit time spread of the signal pulse. Because of the new structure, transit time spread in the tube is 2 to 3 μ sec. This helps provide a bandwidth on the order of 3 to 5 x 10⁸ cps.

The company, which is developing the system under a military contract, has not disclosed which service is sponsoring the project. CBS Laboratories are known to be working on the Samos reconnaissance satellite program, however. ■ ■

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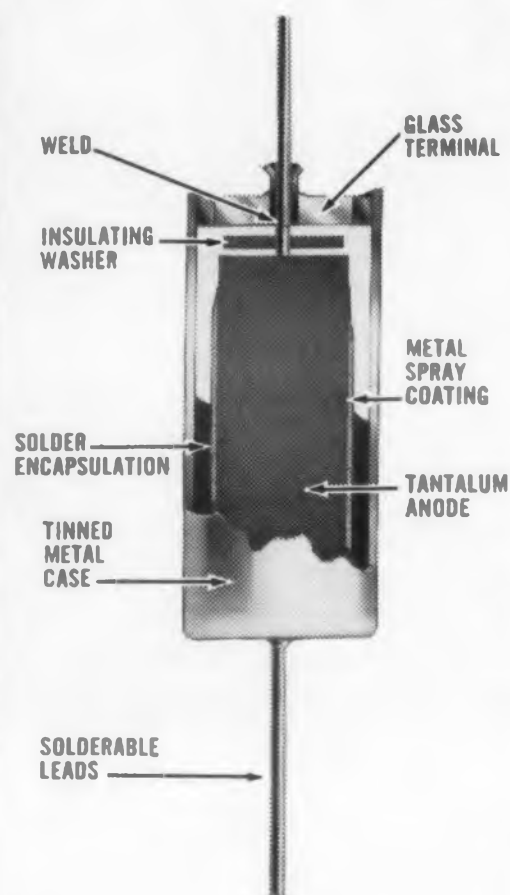
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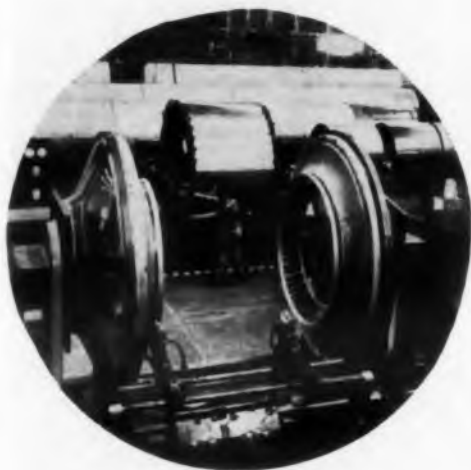
These spun aluminum bulkheads will be used in the 70-in. booster tanks to be used in the Saturn missile cluster. The 1,500,000-lb pound thrust booster in the Saturn booster is shown in production. Aluminum Co. of America is supplying aluminum for the tanks.



Guidance of the Navy's Terrier missile is the function of these nine SPG-55 radar installations now in operation at Sperry Gyroscope's plant at MacArthur Field, L.I., N.Y.



Results of static-firing tests for the Saturn booster will be recorded in this instrumentation room at the Army Ballistic Missile Agency, Huntsville, Ala. The room is in the agency's test laboratory blockhouse. The tape and strip-chart recorders that circle the room will be controlled by the master control panel in the center. The Saturn is being developed for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.



LOX tanks and other fuel tanks are shown under construction at Redstone Arsenal's fabrication and assembly engineering laboratory.



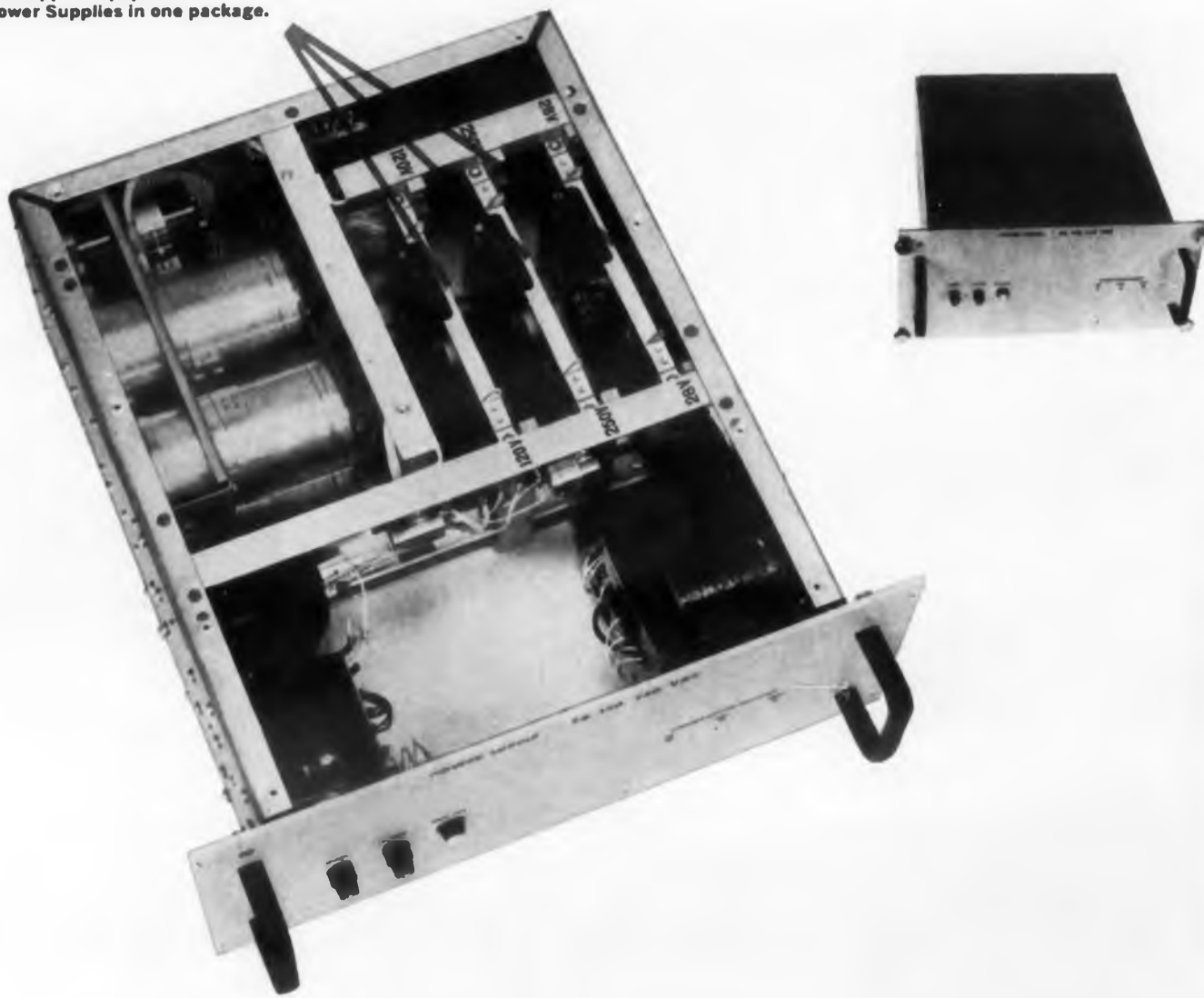
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An **automatic** transistor assembly system has been developed by International Business Machines Corp. Units of machine (clockwise from upper right): three turntables for loading collector dots, germanium disks and emitter dots into carbon cylinders, or "boats"; oven for alloying of parts; two turntables for positioning of base tabs and emitter wires; oven for bonding parts; turntable for positioning collector wire; and welding unit.

Miniature Assembly Line Producing 1,800 Computer Transistors

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A **MINIATURE** automatic assembly line is now turning out 1,800 computer transistors per hr. International Business Machines Corp. has developed the assembly system. Its machine for doing the work has just completed successfully its first test-month of production.

The 500-sq-ft machine has nine units, joined by

Turntables of IBM's assembly system inject transistor parts into carbon boats for transport on system's conveyor. Photo-cell and mechanical devices at each turntable signal the machine to reject boats with missing or poorly positioned parts.



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Plug and boat, shown being fitted together, serve to position and transport tiny parts through automatic transistor assembly system. Made of hard carbon, boats and plugs have tolerances as close as 0.0005 in. for precise positioning of transistor parts during alloying, bonding and welding.

conveyers. It automatically assembles six transistor parts. The machine is roughly five times faster than the semi-automatic assembly of transistors now in general use. It has by far the highest production rate of the few existing automatic methods, IBM reports.

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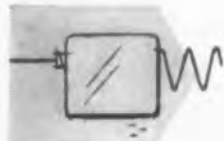
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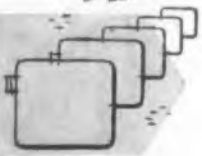
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NEWS

Computer Tasks Vary at NBS

Laboratory Facilities Helping to Solve Problems Of Other Government Agencies

IBM 704 is used by NBS to tackle problems for other Government agencies. One project at this facility is the use of linear programming techniques in the selection of radio navigation frequencies for the Federal Aviation Agency.



COMPUTER solutions to problems of national interest, ranging from traffic jams to military strategy, are being sought by the National Bureau of Standards' Computation Laboratory.

Requests for assistance from Government agencies have led to the use of the NBS computation facilities for an odd assortment of tasks.

Battlefield strategy is the object of a war game, called Autotag, played on the Bureau's IBM 704. The "game" is designed to evaluate the

performance of anti-armor weapons systems under varying conditions. Two "sides" are formed, each with up to 31 mine fields and artillery pieces. The results of ensuing battles are stored on computer tape for statistical analysis.

Equations to predict traffic patterns are being formulated in another study. These equations will be used by the Bureau of Public Roads for more effective highway design.

Some of the other computer tasks assigned to NBS are illustrated on these pages. ■ ■

Translation of Russian technical information into English is one of the continuing projects at NBS. Here Ida Rhodes of the bureau translates a sentence, showing how structure and syntax are included in translation methods. Clauses and phrases along with punctuation, rather than individual words, are analyzed and interpreted.



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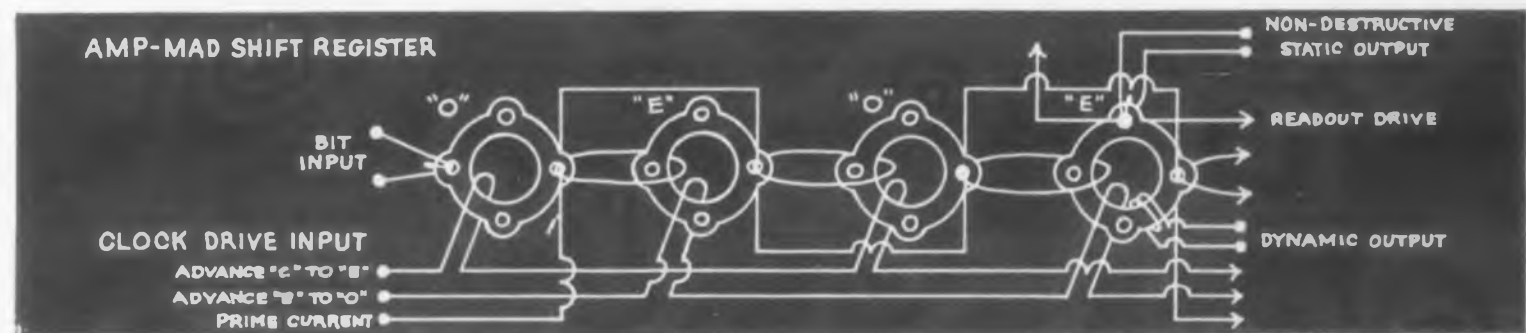
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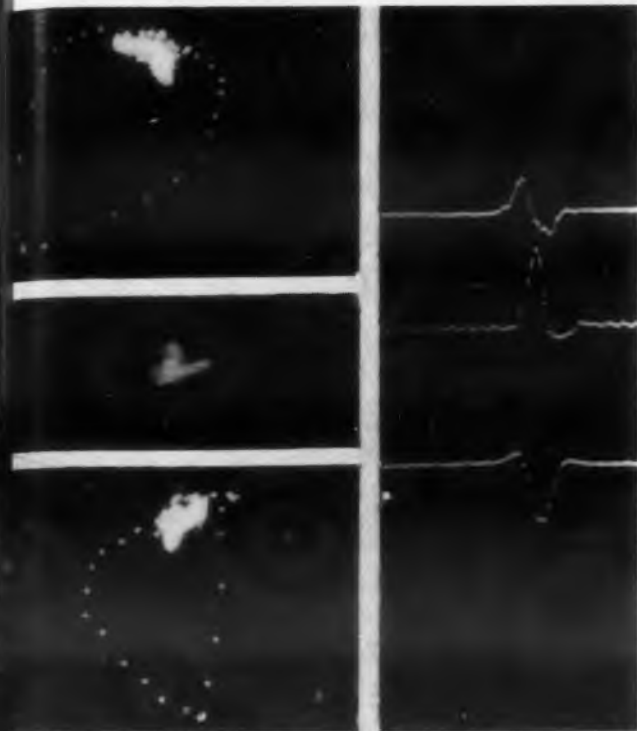
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Digital techniques to study heartbeat data are being developed by NBS. It is hoped that these techniques will improve procedures used in diagnosing various heart ailments. At left are oscilloscope traces of the X, Y and Z components of a heart vector. Under present methods, these are analyzed by two-dimensional projections of the space curve generated by the coordinate values, as shown at right. NBS is working on machine methods for accomplishing this analysis.



Analog-to-digital converter to change heartbeat data into digital form for analysis has been developed by the NBS Data Processing Systems Laboratory. Here Dr. H. L. Mason of the bureau watches Mrs. H. A. Pipberger, a medical technician from Georgetown Hospital, select a particular cardiac complex by monitoring oscilloscope signals.

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BMEWS Installation Provides Missile Surveillance

Radar System Being Completed Transmits Multimillion Watts, Receives Millimicrowatts



High-speed scanning switch for surveillance radar in the Air Force's Ballistic Missile Early Warning System is being installed at an arctic site. The rotary switch, used to distribute transmitter power in the multimillion-watt range to radar feedhorns, is inside a housing 21-ft in diameter and 16-ft high.



Duplexers to protect receivers in the BMEWS radar subsystem are tested in a resonant ring set up at General Electric Co.'s high power radar laboratory in Syracuse, N. Y.



BMEWS transmitter performance is checked by General engineers. From these consoles, energy flow in the 9-ft-high klystron tubes in the power amplifiers can be precisely adjusted.

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Antenna reflector towers over workman and bulldozer at Arctic BMEWS site. The reflectors are 165 ft high. The surface consists of 2,240 5-by-7-ft steel screen panels, each bolted to the truss structure. The reflectors are 400 ft wide. Transmitted pulses are directed at these antenna reflectors from 704 feed-horns. Each feed-horn must be set within 1/16-in. tolerance, so that the energy will bounce off the reflectors at the proper angle. To direct the rf energy from the transmitter to these reflectors, 21 mi of waveguides are required. Special construction problems had to be solved because of the high winds and low temperatures at the site.


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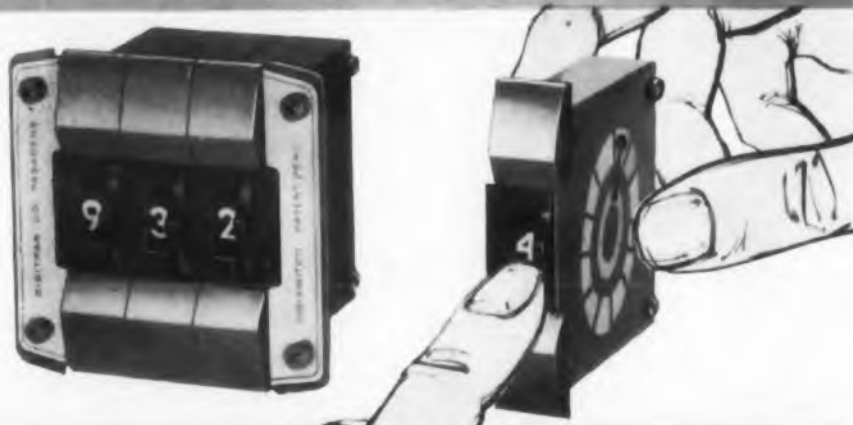
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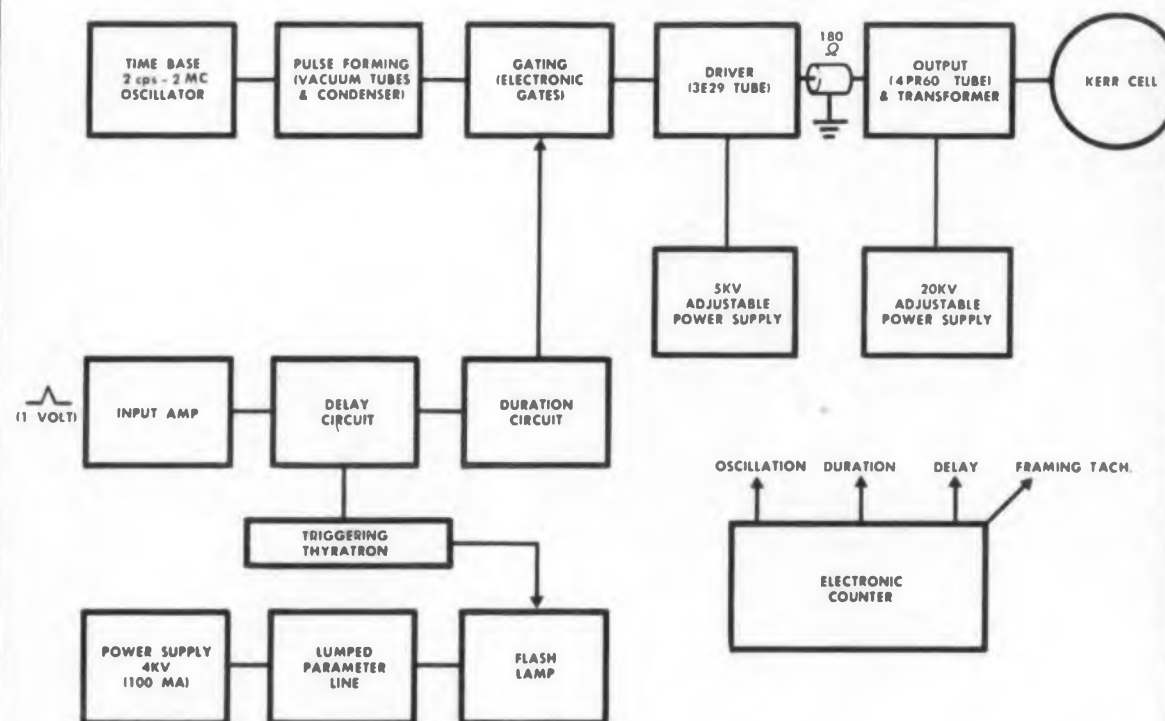
1.6 Million Pictures a Sec With New 35-Mm Camera

AN ultra-high-speed camera has been developed to take from 480 pictures a sec to 1.6 million at exposures down to 0.05 μ sec. With the system, photos can be taken of wire explosions, arc discharges, ultrasonic flow patterns and other high-speed phenomena.

The camera was originally designed by A. T. Ellis of the California Institute of Technology and is now being made in a commercial version by Benson-Lehner Corp., Santa Monica, Calif.

To achieve its high speeds, the camera has a mirror mounted on the shaft of an air-driven turbine rotating at 100,000 rpm. The mirror reflects images onto stationary 35-mm film, which can be either standard black-and-white or color.

Images are fed into the system by a Kerr-cell shutter activated and timed by a pulsing system. The shutter consists essentially of two polaroid filters, placed



Electronics of camera system provide timing, excitation and power supply. Kerr-cell shutter requires up to 18 kv and 20 amp for maximum generation of its field. Counter unit is optional.



Ultra-high-speed camera set up to take cavitation photos has four units: (from left) lighting control, camera control, flash lamp and camera with circular film box. Film lies inside the periphery of the box, with emulsion facing a rotating mirror at the center axis. The mirror rotates at 100,000 rpm to flash images onto film, which does not move.

to block light, and a cell filled with nitrobenzene. When an electrical field is applied to the cell, its polarization vector is rotated 90 deg and light passes through the system.

The pulser includes a time-base oscillator that generates a spike-shaped wave with an amplitude of 25 v; frequency is adjustable between 2 cps and 2 mc. The oscillator signal is fed to a pulse-forming circuit containing modulator tubes and capacitors. In this circuit the negative component of the wave is removed, amplitude is raised to 150 v, and the wave is integrated into a square pulse with a rise time of 2 μ sec.

A gating circuit releases the signal into a driver, whence it goes to the final output stage and the Kerr-cell shutter.

Light transmission through the cell is a non-linear function of the applied voltage, and minimum effective exposure time is slightly less than half the rise time of the activating pulse. Benson-Lehner estimates that a minimum effective exposure time of about 0.02 μ sec is theoretically possible with its Kerr-cell shutter. At maximum repetition rates, approximately 18 kv at 20 amp are used to generate the Kerr-cell field.

The system uses lighting equipment that provides 400,000,000 lumens for 3 msec. ■ ■



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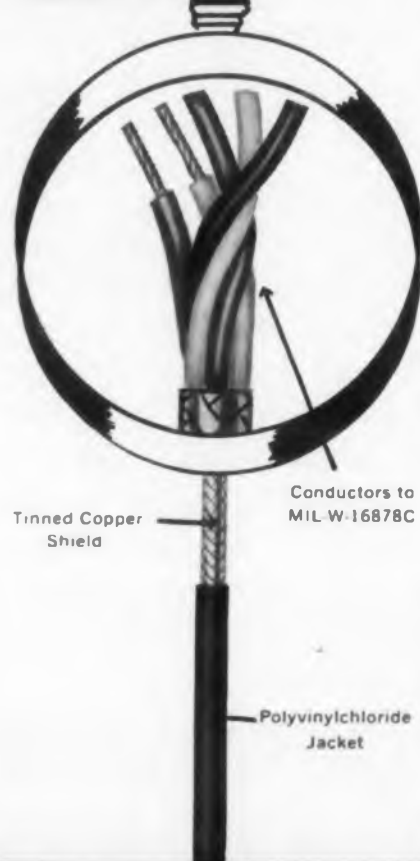
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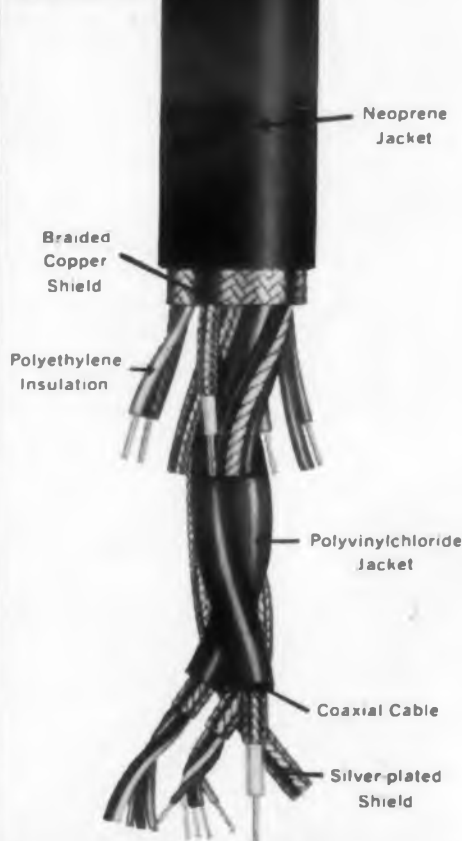
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NEWS

Optical Celestial Tracker Separates Moving Targets on 2-Color Screen

AN OPTICAL system for tracking objects in outer space is reported able to display moving-target information in one color against a background of stationary information in another color.

Called a celestial moving-target indicator by its developer, ACF Electronics of Paramus, N.J., the system is designed to satisfy "a requirement associated with satellite and missile tracking programs that cannot now be satisfied by any presently existing equipment."

How the Indicator Works

A telescope in the indicator views a sky field and directs the image onto a beam intensifier. The output stage of the intensifier is a P-7 phosphor screen of the type used by most radars and long-persistence scopes. Fixed objects in outer space fluoresce blue and phosphoresce yellow simultaneously on the screen, while moving objects phosphoresce yellow.

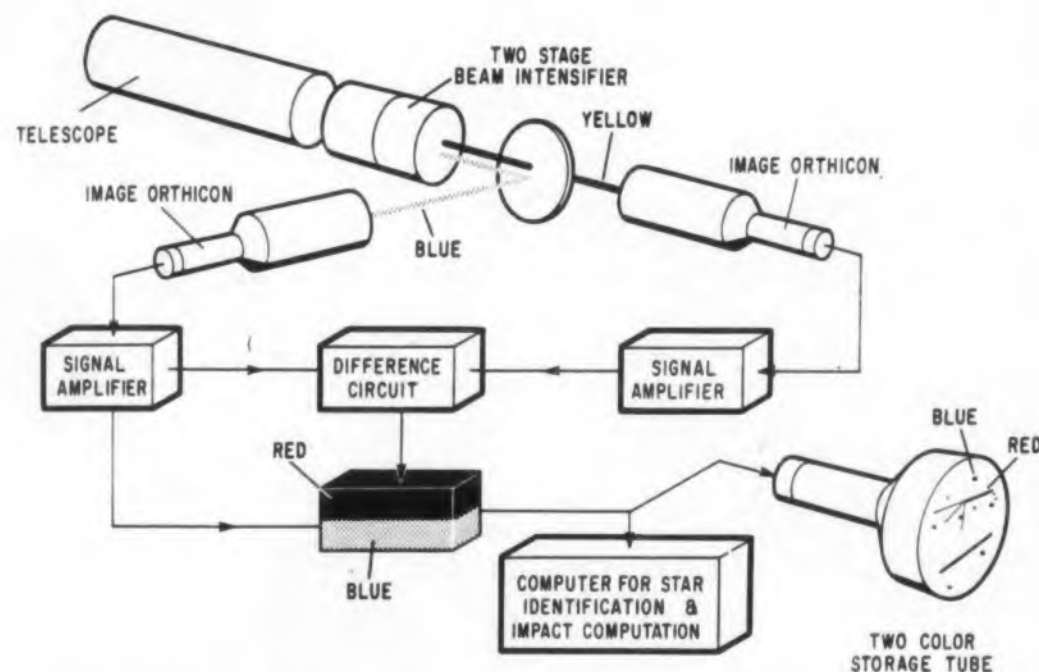
The blue-yellow light of fixed objects is separated and used to develop inde-

pendent electrical signals. The signal from the yellow light contains position information on fixed and moving objects, while the signal from the blue light contains essentially only information on fixed objects.

A difference circuit compares the blue and yellow signals and yields a signal that describes the position of only the moving objects. This signal is combined with star reference material and displayed on a two-color crt. In practical use, ACF reports, the moving source can be represented in red, with the star background in blue.

The company reports that range is "thousands of miles" and that the unit can operate from the surface of the earth despite dust and other atmospheric interference. Best results, however, would be obtained from an orbiting platform, ACF says.

The technique is said to be applicable to the tracking of orbiting satellites, missiles carrying flash bombs, and to rockets during their boost phase. ■ ■



Indicator for tracking objects in space separates moving from fixed targets by color. System would give best results when operated outside earth's atmosphere.

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Amateur Radio Pioneer Retires 'To Play with Amateur Radio'

John L. Reinartz, a pioneer in amateur radio, has retired from the Amateur Service Dept. of an electronics company—so he can have "more time to play with amateur radio."

Mr. Reinartz was lauded upon his retirement by prominent persons in the electronics industry and the military, including Herbert Hoover Jr. and Lt. Gen. Francis H. Griswold, vice commander of the Strategic Air Command.

Mr. Reinartz, who first theorized that short waves are reflected by the Heaviside layer of the atmosphere, holds 28 patents in radio communications with Radio Corp. of America and Eitel-McCullough, the corporation from which he is retiring.

In 1908, when he was 14 years old, Mr. Reinartz got interested in radio and built a station from scrap parts.

As radio grew, so did his enthusiasm and abilities. In 1923 he participated in the first two-way contact between points in the United States and Europe. When Richard Byrd attempted his first flight over the North Pole, he chose Mr. Reinartz to handle the expedition's communications.

During World War II Mr. Reinartz was a captain in the Navy and participated in communications and radar developments.



John Reinartz examines a modern transmitter

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NEWS

Named Fellow for Medical Electronics Work



Roland C. Bostrom, left, has been named a Fellow by the New York Academy of Science for his work in medical electronics. Here Mr. Bostrom, a supervisor in the Department of Medical and Biological Physics of Airborne Instruments Laboratory, discusses operation of ALL's Cytoanalyzer with Dr. Douglas Sprunt, head of the Tennessee Institute of Pathology. The instrument is used in the detection of cancer.

Hungarian Electronics Industry Concentrates On Home Market

The Hungarian electronic industry is a modern but do-it-yourself affair, according to reports reaching the Solid-State Circuits Conference. Transistors and other components are almost entirely of domestic origin; only high-precision items are imported, it was said.

Hungary's electronic industry was described by Dr. I. P. Valko of the Budapest Technical Institute and Dr. I. Szep of the Hungarian Federal Research Institute, here to survey developments in electronic plants and laboratories.

Hungarian electronic production consists primarily of entertainment devices for the home market. These were described as up-to-date in design and employing transistors and printed circuitry where feasible. A transistorized TV receiver is said to be in development.

Transistor Production

Transistors are mainly germanium alloy junction types, though Mesa and Drift transistors are being turned out in pilot quantities. Germanium is locally produced in Hungary and silicon will be available within the country "soon," it was said. Other semiconductor items listed as produced in Hungary included microwave diodes and crystal rectifiers—again for home consumption. Production figures were not given.

The balance of production consists of measur-

ing instruments, signal generators and equipment for national telephone, broadcasting and other communications systems, according to the reports. A 4,000-mc microwave link was described as completed for TV transmission between Hungary and Czechoslovakia. Tubes of all kinds, including magnetrons, klystrons, traveling-wave and backward-wave units, were said to be needed locally.

Although manufacturing is essentially a state monopoly in Hungary, the visitors asserted that competition from imports kept quality high. As in many Eastern countries, they said, equipment tends to be overdesigned and rugged.

Exports of electronic equipment are small both to East and West, the visitors said, but tubes and instruments have been shipped to Western Europe. Increased trade with western countries would be welcomed, they added.

Research Limited

Hungarian research, like that in much of Europe, was reported limited by available funds. Hence independent basic research is on a small scale.

Dr. Valko and Dr. Szep were quite proud, however, of such limited basic research as did take place in Hungary. A cybernetics laboratory is under construction, they said, and a digital computer for research data processing is being completed. Mathematics has always been a Hungarian forte, the visitors declared, and much of the pioneer work in electroluminescence is of Hungarian origin. Work in these fields is being continued on a relatively large scale.

The visitors hoped that their tour of the U.S. would encourage American scientists to "come and see for themselves the work that we are doing."

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Air Force pilots, alarmed at growing missile stockpiles, can take solace in this thought of Mundy I. Peale, Republic Aviation Corp. president:

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This is the competition offered to flight control designers by the human brain, according to Mr. Peale, whose company recently completed work on the all-weather F-105D near-automatic fighter-bomber.

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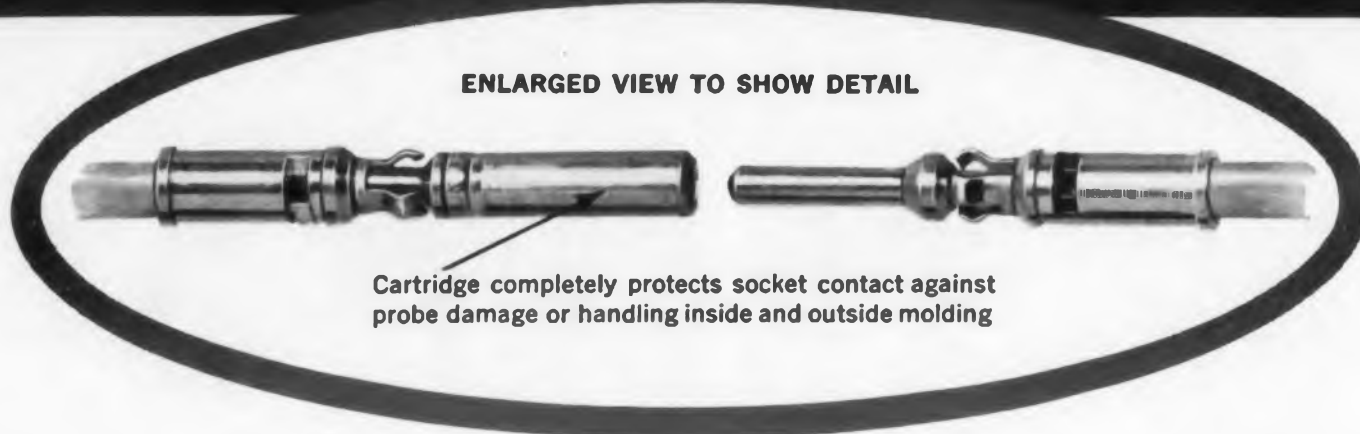
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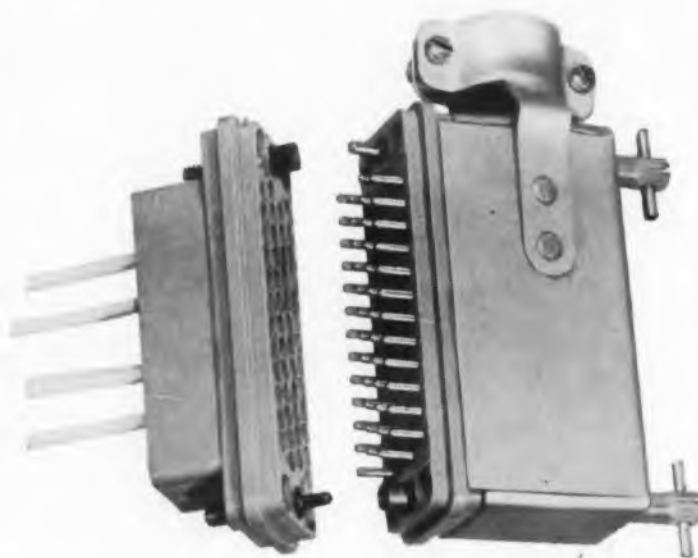
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NEWS

Grid Design Improves Solar Cell Efficiency

By redesigning its solar cell to operate as three smaller cells in parallel, Hoffman Electronics Corp. of Los Angeles says it has increased cell efficiency "by a factor of 1.15." Former efficiencies were on the order of 10 per cent for good production units, according to Martin Wolf, manager of the company's solar section.

In this type of energy converter, where maximum theoretical efficiency is only about 22.6 per cent, any small increase is proportionately great.

To achieve up to a 15-per-cent increase in efficiency, Mr. Wolf made cells that measure 1 x 2 cm. Each has a three-wire grid of soft-solder-covered nickel plate. Since the current flows as a sheet on the surface of the cell, the grid lowers the high resistance of the p-layer. The three grids effectively provide several small cells in parallel.

"The calculated optimum," says Mr. Wolf, "would be five thinner lines. For practical reasons, the design uses only three."

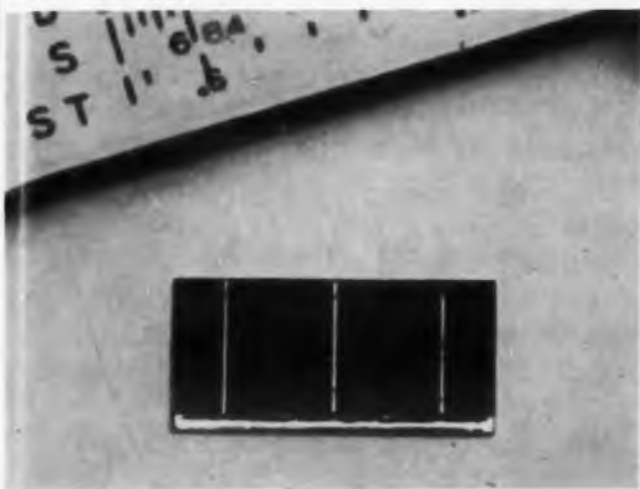
He said the grid design had been attempted before, but there were so many other problems the cells never showed enough improvement. "Now we have better solar cells," he added, "and the improvement is worthwhile."

In the manufacture of solar cells a compromise must be struck between the thickness of the p-layer, the amount of doping of the p-layer and the



Martin Wolf of Hoffman Electronics diagrams the operation of a solar-cell equivalent circuit. New design effectively decreases R_s , the series resistance of the cell.

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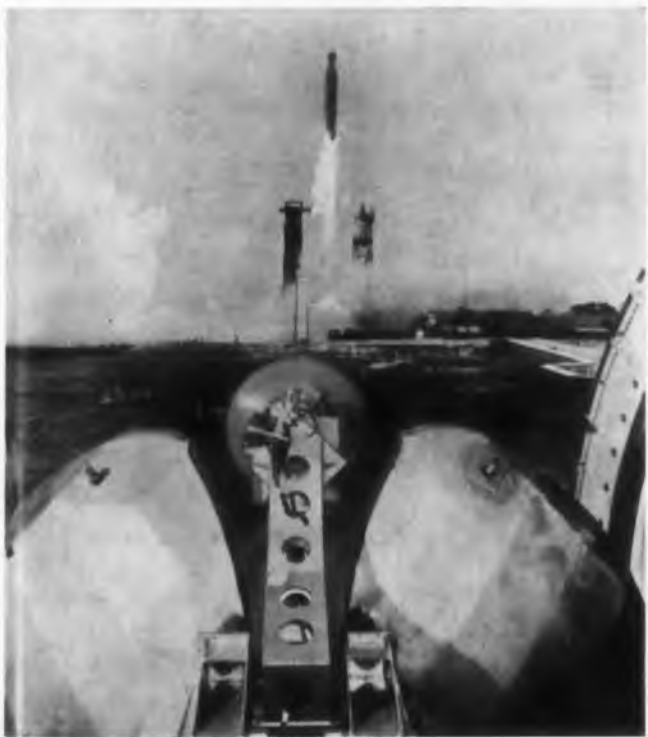
Gridded solar cell is reported up to 15 per cent more efficient than former cells. Grid makes several small cells in parallel.

collector efficiency. In Hoffman's solar cells the thickness of the p-layer is about 2 microns. This is within the diffusion length from the surface necessary to collect all carriers.

Heavy doping is needed to decrease the resistance of so thin a layer. With the grid technique, the p-layer thickness can be reduced even more, and the total resistance is still kept low (two to three times lower, in the laboratory). Collector efficiency is improved.

Still looked for: breakthroughs to rid silicon of unwanted impurities, like gold.

Radar Views Atlas Launch



This composite photograph shows what the tracking radar used with the General Electric radio-command guidance system for the Atlas missile views during the initial stages of a launch.



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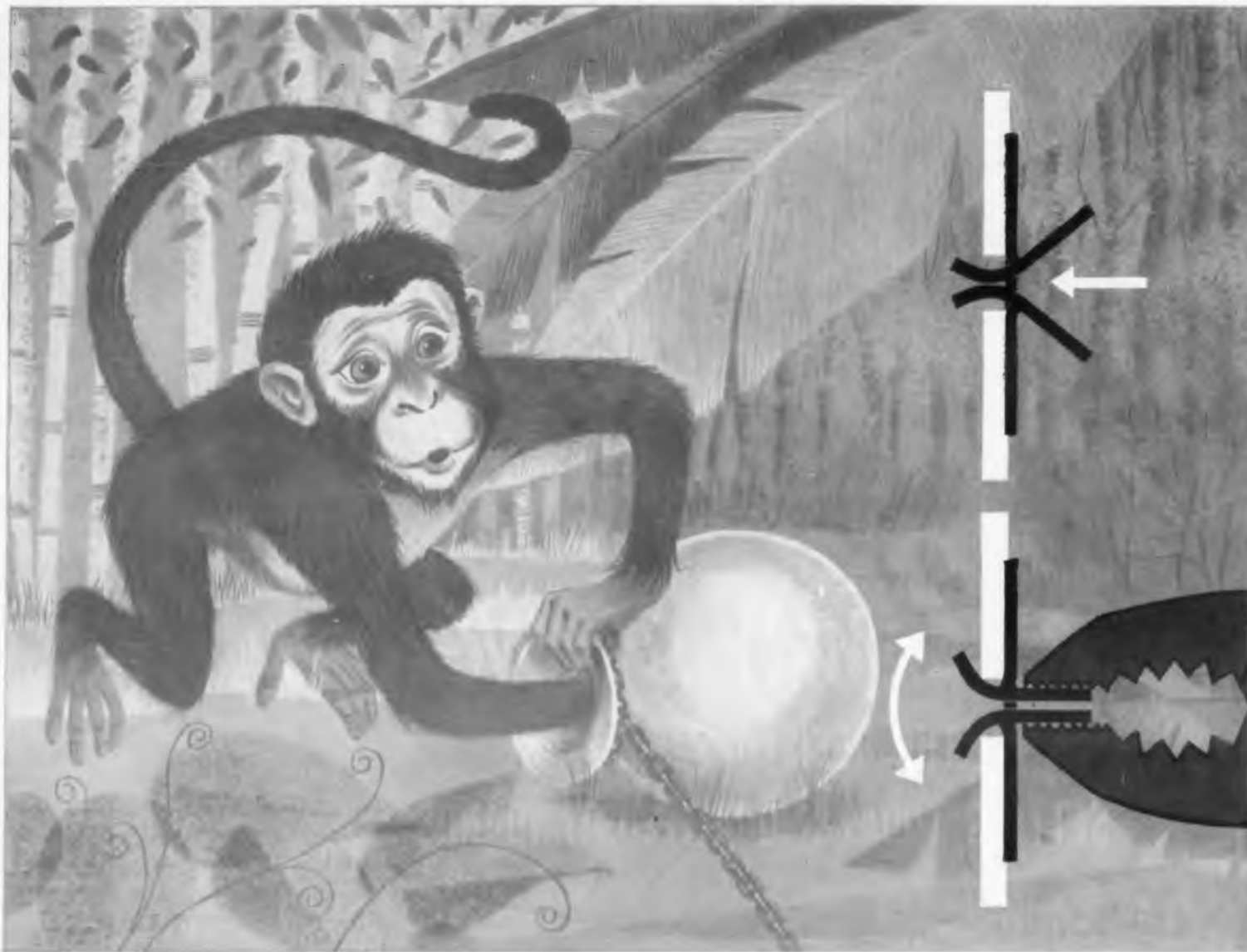
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NEWS

Electrically Exploded Wires Studied as New Energy Source

Rockets theoretically could be propelled by exploding wires electrically, a group of California engineers has found.

The exploding wire conceivably could be used also as sources of high-intensity light (as for searchlights) and as generators of hypervelocity particles for use in impact research.

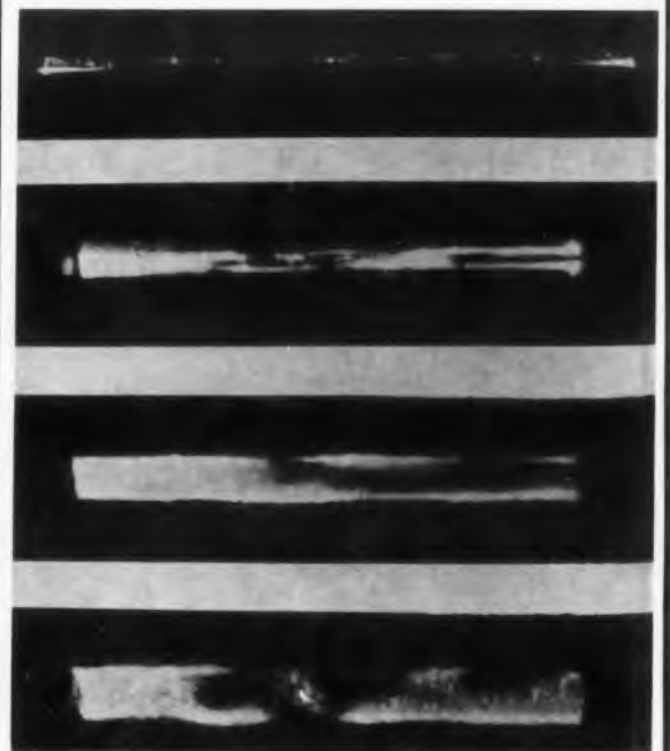
The engineers, of Electro-Optical Systems, 170 North Daisy Ave., Pasadena, exploded the wires by injecting several thousand amperes into them. The wires vaporized in 50 to 100 μ sec, their temperatures exceeding 100,000 C. The pressures that developed measured in megabars.

The impulses obtained could provide a space vehicle with two to ten times the specific impulses presently produced by chemical means.

The hypothetical propulsion system also offers a better thrust-to-power-consumption ratio than many proposed electrical systems, such as one using ions.

However, Electro-Optical scientists say, the problems in producing a practical exploding wire or exploding film system appear formidable.

Less formidable and more practical, they say, is using the technique to produce hypervelocities in the laboratory for high-speed impact studies. Dense vapors, which have impact characteristics like those of solids, could be accelerated by exploding wires to 20 to 30 kilometers per sec. These



A charged aluminum wire, 1 mil diam by 1/4-in. long, as it explodes in Electro-Optical Systems laboratory. Camera has stopped action at 3, 8, 32 and 45 μ sec after the switching on of current.

velocities are higher than those presently attainable in the laboratory.

The high currents required to vaporize the wires were obtained by suddenly discharging a capacitor. The capacitor, of 0.002 to 0.02 μf , had been charged to 10 to 20 kv. The wires were 1 mil diam by 1/4-in. long. Hence the circuit inductance was small (from 0.03 to 0.1 μh), and the rapid discharge of the capacitor was facilitated.

The switching required to produce the rapid discharge was obtained by using a hydrogen thyatron to drive a trigatron, a triggered air spark gap.

Experiments were performed with wires made of aluminum, iron, gold, copper, silver, nickel, tungsten, molybdenum, tin, titanium, zinc and cadmium. Specific impulses of 1000 sec were obtained with aluminum, and it is likely that the range will be extended to 5000 sec.

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NEWS

15.6 Million Radios Made in '59, Greatest U.S. Output Since '48

Production of radio receivers in the U.S. last year was the highest since 1948, the Electronics Industries Assoc. reports. But retail sales of sets were only slightly above those of 1958.

More than 15.6 million radios were manufactured in 1959, against 12.5 million in 1958. Retailers, however, sold less than 8.9 million sets, compared with about 8.6 million the previous year.

Of more than 6.3 million TV sets produced last year, 4.9 million TV receivers were produced and 5.1 million sold to consumers.

Phonograph sales at retail last year reached nearly 4.4 million units, of which more than 2.7 million were stereo. Factories sold more than 4.3 million phonographs, including 3 million stereo units.

EIA figures show that factory sales of receiving tubes last year totaled nearly \$27 million more than in 1958. Revenue from sales of TV picture tubes increased by more than \$20 million.

The EIA totals:

| | Production | |
|--------------|------------|------------|
| | 1959 | 1958 |
| TV | 6,349,380 | 4,920,428 |
| Total Radios | 15,622,357 | 12,577,243 |
| Auto Radios | 5,555,155 | 3,715,362 |

| | Units Sold at Retail | |
|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| | 1959 | 1958 |
| TV | 5,748,676 | 5,140,082 |
| Radios | 8,897,451 | 8,631,344 |
| Monaural Phonographs | 1,653,137 | Not Available |
| Stereo Phonographs | 2,744,720 | Not Available |

| | Units Sold by Factories | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| | 1959 | 1958 |
| Monaural Phonographs | 1,267,781 | 2,867,606 |
| Stereo Phonographs | 3,035,836 | 1,104,924 |
| TV Picture Tubes | 9,522,546 | 8,252,480 |
| Receiving Tubes | 432,936,000 | 397,366,000 |

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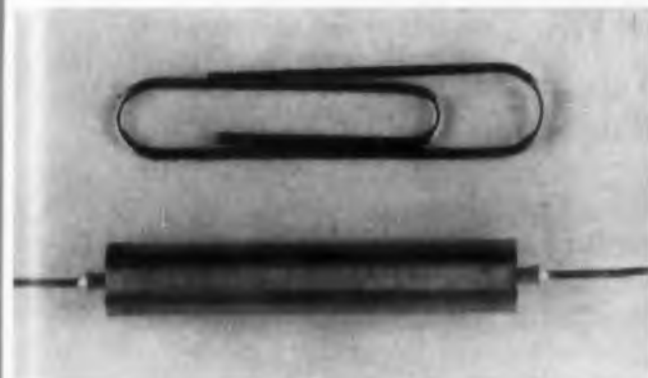
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device is 75 per cent smaller than foil-paper units and is said to operate at temperatures up to 200 C. As such, it should find ready use in transistor circuits.

The capacitor was developed by the Signal Corps Laboratory, Ft. Monmouth, N.J., and Radiation Research Corp. of New York City.

Micron-thin films of Teflon, Mylar or polystyrene are deposited and polymerized on an aluminized surface by a glow-discharge current. The aluminized surface is supported by a thin plastic substrate. Teflon films and substrates are employed for 200 C application; other materials permit somewhat lower operating temperatures.

Capacitances of up to 15 µf at 100 v are attainable. At still higher voltages, the dielectric thickness necessary is available with conventional plastic tapes and does not warrant the new process.

Limited production of these capacitors should begin later this year. The price is expected to be competitive with conventional units.

English Prof and Computer Turn Out Index to Poetry

A Cornell University English professor has used a computer to analyze the vocabulary of Matthew Arnold, the poet.

The professor, Stephen Maxfield Parrish, used an IBM 704 Data Processing System to compile a 965-page volume, "A Concordance to the Poems of Matthew Arnold."

The concordance lists alphabetically the 10,097 principal words in Arnold's vocabulary and indicates where in his works they may be found. An appendix lists the words in the order of their frequency and shows the frequency of each word.

Professor Parrish, his three colleagues and two technicians supplied by IBM saw printed copies of the book 197 hours after beginning their work. Cards for the computer were punched in 149 hours. The computer operated for 38 hours, and 10 hours were required for the printing.

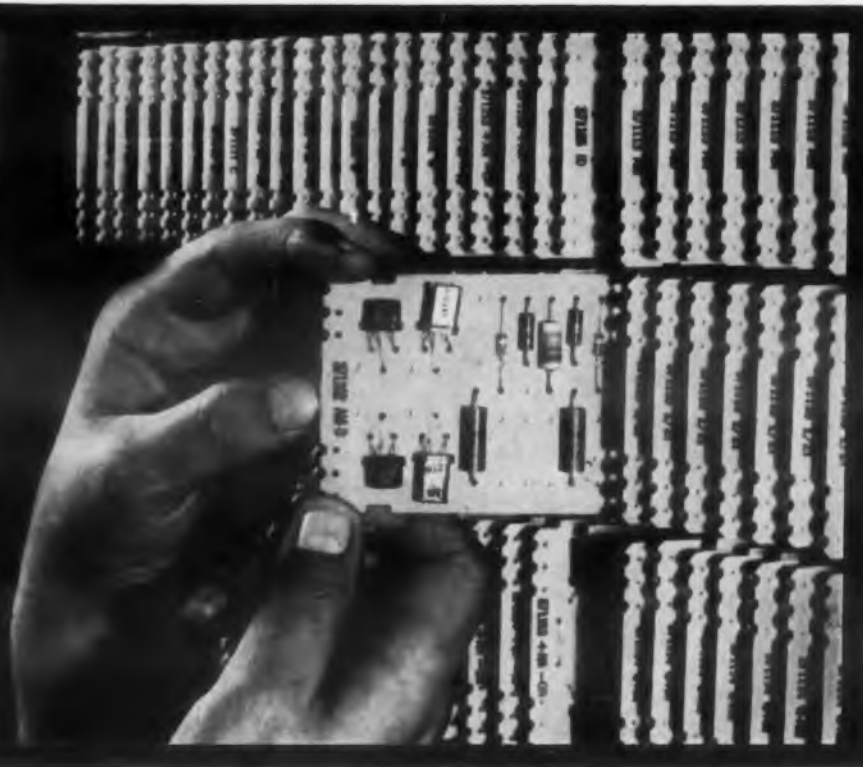


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Topside Study of Ionosphere Planned by U.S. and Canada

Radio soundings of the ionosphere from above, using a transmitting satellite sweeping its sounding frequencies through a range from 2 to 15 mc, are planned as a joint Canadian-United States experiment in 1961.

Information on ionization, densities and transmitting characteristics as a function of frequency up to 700-mi altitudes is expected from the experiment. The topside sounding satellite, to be launched in an elliptical polar orbit, will also gather data from geographical areas not covered by present ground-sounding stations. Of particular interest will be data from the auroral zones, which cause special communications problems at high latitudes.

Previous vertical and oblique incident reflective-type soundings of the ionosphere from the ground have been limited to altitudes of about 200 mi.

Signals transmitted from the satellite will be monitored by tracking stations in Canada, the U. S. and South America. Transmissions at some of these frequencies will be reflected by the ionosphere and received by the satellite. Particular frequencies will depend on the time of the day and the position of the satellite in its orbit.

The reflected signals will be used to modulate a telemetry carrier transmitted by the satellite, according to a National Aeronautics and Space Administration spokesman, so that both penetrating and reflected signals can be monitored by the ground tracking stations.

Recent evidence that the ionosphere has a continuously changing rather than a layered structure will also be checked by the satellite soundings, according to the NASA spokesman. Canada's Defence Research Telecommunications Establishment is cooperating with NASA in the project by providing the satellite, its instrumentation and Canadian tracking facilities. NASA will provide the tracking stations outside of Canada, as well as launching facilities and equipment for testing Canadian prototypes.

Instrumentation for the experiment is presently in breadboard and design stages, the NASA spokesman added, and complete technical details have not yet been settled. Telemetry receiving equipment is currently available, he said, but other equipment will be required to monitor the sounding frequencies.

The satellite will be tracked with the 136-137-mc telemetry tracking equipment now used by the U. S., he explained.

The joint effort with Canada is one in a continuing NASA program of international cooperation in space sciences.

Germanium Transistor Used As 3-Kmc Oscillator, 1-Kmc Amplifier

A germanium pnp transistor that can be used as an oscillator at 3 kmc and as an amplifier at 1 kmc or lower has been developed.

High frequency was achieved by using very small active-area dimensions and coaxial mounting to cut capacitance and inductance losses.

The mesa in the diffused-base, alloyed-emitter transistor is 1.8-mils long and 1.5-mils wide. Three metal stripes, each 0.3-mil wide and 1.5-mils long, are evaporated onto the mesa plateau and alloyed into the semiconductor. Gold wires 0.2-mil in diam are used as connections. The diffused base is 0.02-mil thick.

The device, developed by Bell Telephone Laboratories, is mounted in a coaxial shell that electrically matches a 50-ohm transmission line. The transistor's base stripes are connected to the center conductor of the coaxial input line; the emitter stripe is connected to an internal shield built into the encapsulating shell, and the germanium wafer is gold-bonded to the inner conductor of the output line.

Wide-band and narrow-band feedback amplifiers using the transistor have been built using transmission-line principles. The three-stage amplifiers are said to have gain of 18 db, flat within 1 db over the frequency band from below 1 mc to above 750 mc.

Work on the device at Bell by R. E. Davis, C. A. Bittmann and R. J. Gnaedinger has been supported in part by the Army Signal Research and Development Laboratories. The amplifier circuits were designed by Mr. Bittmann and Mr. Davis along with V. R. Saari and R. J. Kirkpatrick, also of Bell.



Germanium Esaki diodes on the center of a stripline waveguide provide amplification in this traveling-wave type 1-kmc amplifier described at the Solid-State Circuits Conference. M. E. Hines of Bell Labs inspects the device, which uses ferrite attenuation to prevent self-oscillation. Three-kmc units should be possible with the technique.

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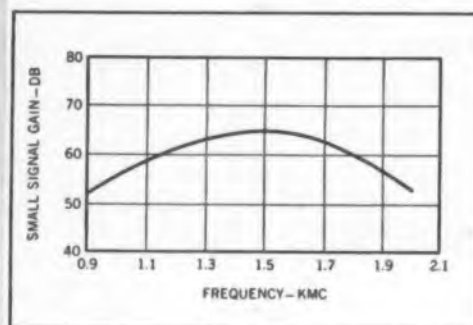
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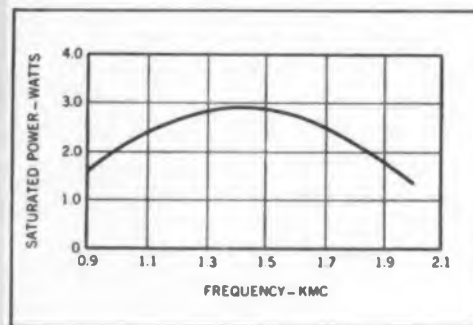
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Small-Signal Gain vs. Frequency



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NEWS

Harvard Gets \$265,000 Grant For Weapons Procurement Study

The Ford Foundation has granted the Harvard Business School \$265,000 to find out what it takes to develop weapons besides technology.

The research supported by the money will determine the administrative and economic characteristics of the development and procurement of advanced weapons. The study will explore the relationship between the buyer of weapons—the government—and the seller—the contractor.

Officials at the Harvard school hope the work will be completed by the end of this year. The school intends to publish as much of the findings as security regulations will permit.

Ultimately, it is expected, the research group will offer methods of improving the policies and practices associated with weapons procurement.

Exploratory work on the project began in 1958. The development of several non-defense products was studied to provide a basis for comparison with the development of advanced weapons.

In 1959 12 advanced weapons systems came under the research group's scrutiny. This phase of the study examined the following questions:

- How are prime and principal subcontractors chosen?
- How are responsibility and authority divided between the government and the contractors?
- What incentives are there for the contractor to do an outstanding job?

The members of the Harvard Business School Faculty engaged in the project are Prof. George P. Baker, senior faculty adviser; Prof. Paul W. Cherington, project director; Prof. Merton J. Peck; Charles Stein, Jr.; Gerald W. Siegel; Frederic M. Scherer, and George Harmon.

David Novick, head of the Cost Analysis Department of Rand Corp., is a consultant to the project.

Computer Slated to Figure Target of Enemy Missiles

The course, target and impact time of an enemy missile projected at the United States across the polar region would be computed in seconds with a data-processing system under development.

The system, which performs 200,000 mathematical operations per sec, is manufactured by Sylvania Electric Products Inc., New York. It is scheduled to monitor radars of the Air Force's Ballistic Missile Early Warning System.

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Sylvania officials inspect data-processing apparatus to be used on conjunction with the radars of the Air Force's Ballistic Missile Early Warning System. At left is Richard W. Couch, Sylvania's BMEWS program manager. Eugene J. Vigneron, general manager of the data systems operation, looks on.

source of the echoes is a projectile. The computers then determine which among the projectiles are hostile missiles.

The points and times of impact, as well as the number of hostile missiles, are determined and transmitted in less than a second to operating personnel and to United States command centers.

The system checks its own internal performance, Sylvania said, and maintains contact with a standby computer to verify results. If the main computer does not function properly, the standby computer takes over.

Computers Will Assign Frequencies After Scientists Pick Best Method

Scientists at the National Bureau of Standards, will teach computers the best way to assign frequencies to radio transmitters that mark air routes—as soon as they learn how themselves.

The problem of assigning the frequencies belongs to the Federal Aviation Agency. Each year a substantial number of new transmitters, which help pilots fly a straight-line course, are added to the nation's network of commercial and military airplanes.

Signals from new transmitters should not interfere with those from existing transmitters. However, the FAA has available only 100 discrete frequencies for allocation.

When adding new transmitters, it is often necessary to change the frequency of existing transmitters. This could, however, create new areas of interference.


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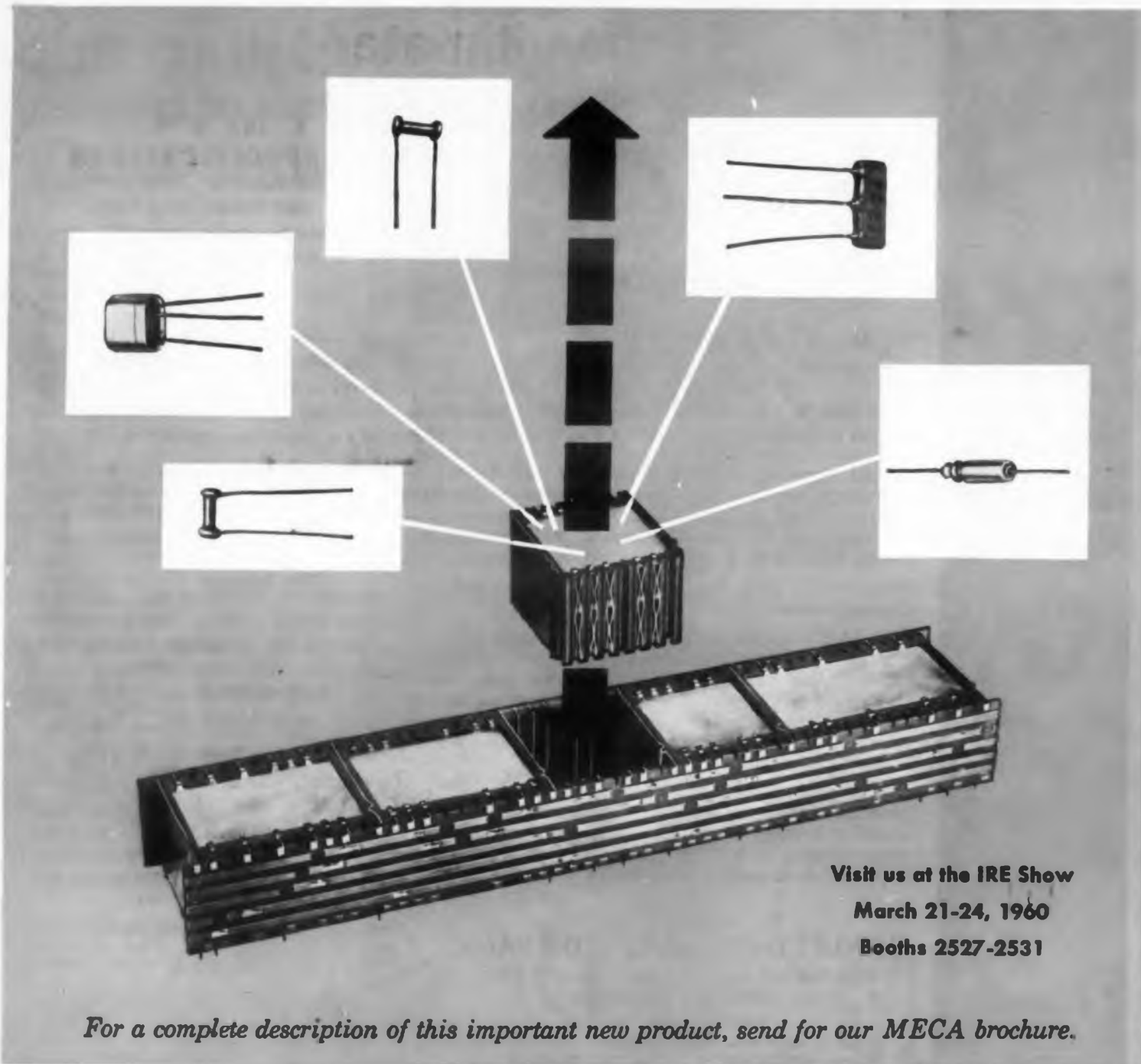
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L.I. Electronics Industry Sets 5-Year Goal of 100% Growth

The future of a regional electronics industry occupied 1,000 engineers at a two-day exposition sponsored by the Long Island Electronic Manufacturers Council (LIEMC).

At the Futurronics Exposition, LIEMC announced a five-year goal: 100 per cent growth in sales of Long Island-manufactured electronic equipment. Growth in dollar value of sales during this period would be from \$750 million to \$1.5 billion. From 1954 to 1959, Long Island's electronic sales increased about 50 per cent, while sales of the total industry grew by 85 per cent. According to LIEMC executives, industry-wide electronic sales are expected to grow by only 65 per cent during the next five years.

The optimism of the regional group is based on achievement of these goals:

- Organized and cooperative effort to gain recognition of Long Island's capability as an integrated electronic research, development and production complex.
- Diversification of the area's electronics industry to include more of the growing fields of defense and civilian electronics.
- Educational and cooperative research facilities to insure long-term growth in the area's largest manufacturing industry.

At the exposition, progress of the area's tech-

nology was displayed in 47 booths exhibit and many exhibitors discussed ambitious plans for the future. Important work in progress and in planning was described in papers delivered at two morning technical sessions.

Faster Computers Under Study

A roadblock in the drive toward larger and faster computers—namely components of a size approaching wavelength of the frequencies used—is being attacked from two angles at Sperry Gyroscope. According to Dr. Peter Isaacs, the company is making the components smaller by using microminiature circuitry, and it is taking into account the dimensions of the components by applying microwave techniques to the computer.

In line with these approaches, thin magnetic films constituting single magnetic domains are being used to reverse magnetic state in a few millimicroseconds for logic and memory devices. Cryogenic switching, where thin films can be switched in or out of the cryogenic state in 10^{-10} sec, has also been demonstrated at Sperry. Microwave techniques have made possible switching times of 1,000 mc, as demonstrated in several computing devices.

Molecular Electronics Analyzed

Ralph Redemske, vice-president for research at Servomechanisms, Inc., gave his audience a fascinating look at what molecular electronics might do to component and circuit engineering. The virtual replacement of lumped components by chemical and atomic building blocks will require a new type of engineering team he said, adding that the familiar parts catalog would be replaced by a periodic table of chemicals.

Research and computer development at Servomechanisms is performed by a team of chemists, physical chemists, logical designers and circuit engineers who have learned to speak each other's technical language. The largest laboratory at Servomechanisms Research is the chemical.

Mr. Redemske observed that the day of woman assemblers was drawing to a close. Because of the size and environmental extremes involved in molecular electronics, he said, automatic forming and assembly machinery will be a must for molecular electronics.

Walter Tengelsen, Systems Research Engineer, described several approaches to space guidance by means of hybrid systems under way at Arma Div. of American Bosch Arma Corp. He said that in space vehicles, gyro drift and the absence of gravity for correction dictated the use of some aiding system to override the inertial guidance system. To save weight, he reported, components must be used in multiple roles. He cited the example of antennas used for communication, radar ranging and power transmission. ■ ■

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WASHINGTON REPORT



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. . . STATE TAXATION of property owned by the federal government and used by defense contractors—such as machinery and plant—should be imposed according to uniform rules established by Congress. Decisions of the Supreme Court permit states to engage in such taxation, but only four states have laws imposing this sort of tax. State officials, who would like the extra revenue, are fearful that they would give an edge to industries in other areas if they slap on such a tax. To prevent use of this tax as an element in cost competition for defense contracts, they are seeking a federal law on the point. Defense Department estimates that such a tax could hike the cost of military hardware alone by \$500 million a year or more.

. . . PREFERENTIAL CONTRACTING by the Defense Department so as to allocate more prime business to labor-surplus areas is again being pushed in Congress. In an election year, chances of enactment of a new contracting law are improved, but it will still be an uphill fight. Sen. Jacob K. Javits (R., N.Y.) would give preference to small business and to labor-surplus areas under the present "set aside" program. A measure to do this has been introduced with the co-sponsorship of the entire New York Congressional delegation. The proposed law would also give a statutory basis to the policy of encouraging competitive bidding techniques in defense procurement. Where national security requirements preclude their use, it would provide for competitive negotiation to the maximum degree possible, involving two or more firms.

. . . MANAGEMENT STUDY of Air Force weapons systems is being evaluated by Air Force Secretary Dudley C. Sharp. A major area covered by the study is the question of systems management by the Air Force itself as against management by contractors. Though the management study itself has not been made public, it is conceded that it will play a role in the formulation of recommendations for "future organization and Air Force—industry relationships" in space and ballistic missile programs.

. . . TITAN ICBM program is here to stay, says Lt. Gen. Bernard A. Schriever, chief of the Air Research and Development Command. Crucial decisions on Titan were made three years ago. If Titan were cancelled it would slash planned ICBM strength by one-third. Those who suggest dropping the Titan, he says, "simply are not familiar with all the facts and problems of bringing missiles into the operational inventory."

. . . BID-BOND RULES, which were tightened by the Comptroller General last year, show no sign of easing. In fact, there is a disposition to enforce them literally, with no room for any sort of latitude. Last year, it was ruled that bonds must accompany

bids, and be received prior to the bid opening. It has now been held that a bidder fell short of meeting requirements in the following circumstances: the bidder, replying to an invitation which permitted telegraphic bids, wired his proposal along with the bond number and the name of the surety. This was held insufficient to meet the bid-bond requirement.

... **EXPORT OUTLOOK** for the U.S. electronics industry is good, says the Commerce Department. Electron tubes and semiconductors made in U.S.A. have a good reputation abroad and the "brisk market that has been established for products of specialized types and technically advanced design holds further promise." In a survey of European markets, the Department notes that Austria's electronics trade is largely oriented toward the Netherlands; Belgium offers a good market for transmitting and special-purpose tubes; Denmark is a limited market for U.S. products; American producers have a "strong position" in the French market; prospects are good for expansion of U.S. sales to Italy; Norway buys power, special purpose, and transmitting tubes from the U.S.; competition in the Swedish market is strong and U.S. tubes are generally priced about 20 per cent higher than those from other sources; U.S. products "should continue to compete successfully" in the Swiss market; and the United Kingdom tends to import "relatively specialized types" of tubes.

... **PRICE REVISION CLAUSES** in fixed-price contracts have been interpreted by the U.S. Court of Claims. In a case involving an electronics firm, the court held that existence of such clauses does not change the contract into a type banned by law, the "cost-plus-a-percentage-of-cost" contract. The court rejected the contractor's contention that price revision clauses are an incentive to pushing prices up, since lower costs would result in lower profits. In effect, the contractor asserted, a contract providing for price revision after completion is equivalent to the type that has been banned. The court, however, said that it did not agree. It noted that the law provides for cost-plus-a-fixed-fee contracts, and said that the specific authorization of this type is sufficient ground to justify the legality of a fixed-price contract that includes price revision clauses.

... **CONTRACT POLICIES** of the Defense Department will be probed by the Senate Small Business Committee. To be given special scrutiny is the handling of negotiated contracts, particularly where only one source is involved. Hearings, which will include an explanation by the three Armed Services of their contract negotiation procedures, are tentatively slated to begin about April 1.

... **SLOWER SPENDING** for military procurement during the balance of fiscal 1960—but the military will very likely step up the rate at which it awards new R&D contracts and makes commitments for future buying. On an annual rate basis, the military overspent by \$1 billion during the first half of the fiscal year. Procurement was at an annual rate of \$16 billion in contrast to the budget's target of \$13 billion. Obligations, at an annual rate of \$40.2 billion, were under the budget estimate of \$41.6 billion. Significant shortfall was in RDT&E which is budgeted at \$4.2 billion while obligations hit an annual rate of \$2.7 billion. This leaves plenty of room for new contracts during the next few months.

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PN Junctions Produced Directly From Vapor Phase

Silicon pn junctions reportedly have been produced directly from the vapor phase.

The new technique for producing pn junctions, conventionally made by alloying or diffusion methods, is said to be applicable to molecular electronics. Current applicability of the deposited junctions in conventional components depends on the evaluation of device producers, according to Merck. Laboratory samples are being prepared for evaluation.

The process, reported developed by Merck & Co., Inc., Rahway, N. J., is said to permit close control of resistivity, thickness, and other junction factors. Complex junction configurations may be obtained with the technique.

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Europe Reported Deficient In Long-Range Basic Research

The popular notion of Europe as a mecca of basic research is somewhat overstated, according to reports by overseas delegates at the Solid-State Circuits Conference. In public addresses and private conversations, European scientists cited money—or the lack of it—as their main problem.

European electrical industries are relatively small and cannot muster large research staffs and budgets. Government support is likewise small by American standards. The result is greater stress on short-term applied research overseas, compared with the U.S.

These points were made by Dr. M. J. O. Strutt, chairman of the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, in his remarks at the opening session of the conference.

"As most recent solid-state devices are U.S. inventions, copying takes a considerable place in European research," Dr. Strutt said.

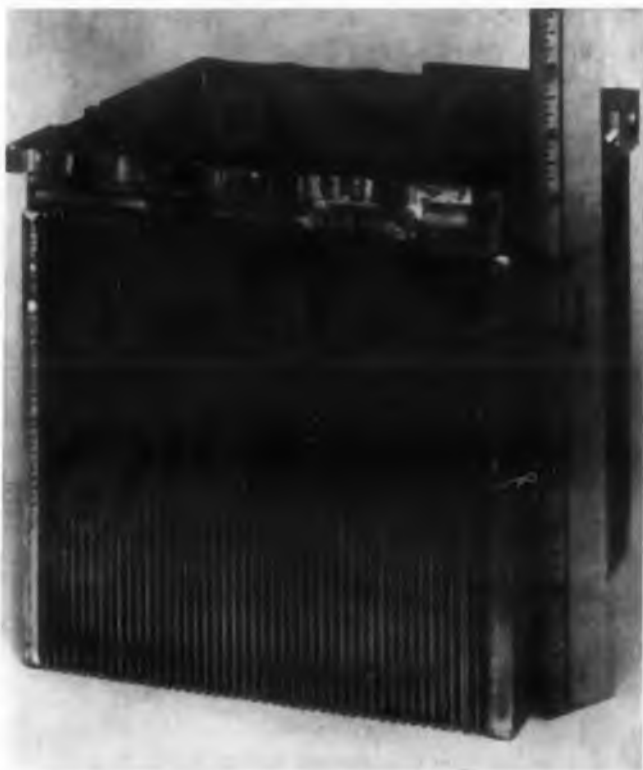
Other visitors from abroad generally agreed with Dr. Strutt and pinpointed other weaknesses in European research. Tight company secrecy and national frontiers hinder the cross-fertilization of research ideas, it was said. Applied research was described as often parochial, aimed at solving an existing problem within a company rather than the development of devices and applications for wider use. Though the percentage of company incomes spent on research is probably equal to the percentage spent in the U.S., informants said, funds abroad are spent in tackling immediate research problems.

Papers of foreign origin read at the conference tended to confirm European de-emphasis of long-term basic research.

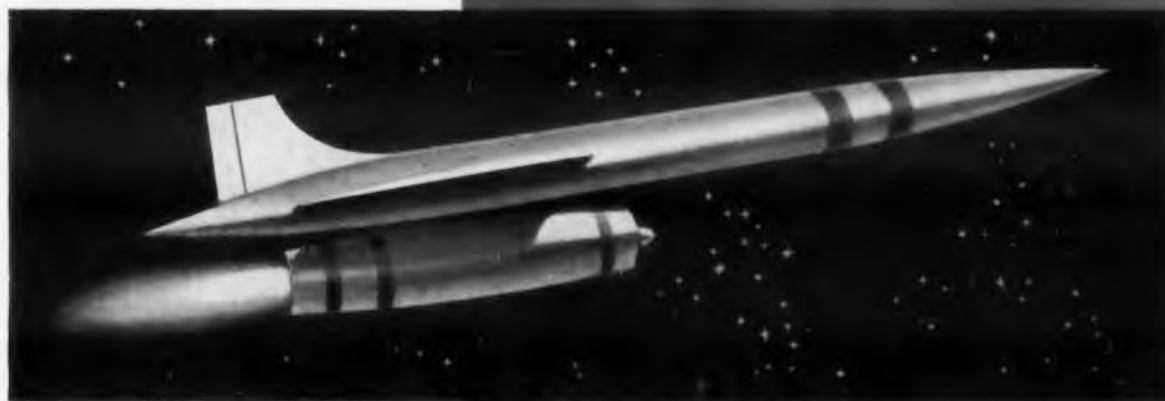
On the other hand, visitors felt that European engineers were perhaps more productive than their American counterparts. This was not attributed to better training but to more rigid work discipline. Motivation of European engineers might well be stronger, it was suggested. Jobs are tighter and salaries are much lower, but an engineer commands high social prestige abroad.

Basic research takes place mostly in universities and government-sponsored research centers. The total effort is quite small but of high caliber, it was said. Principal areas of work include nuclear research, noise in semiconductors and photocells, characteristics of semiconductors, paramagnetics, and photoelectricity.

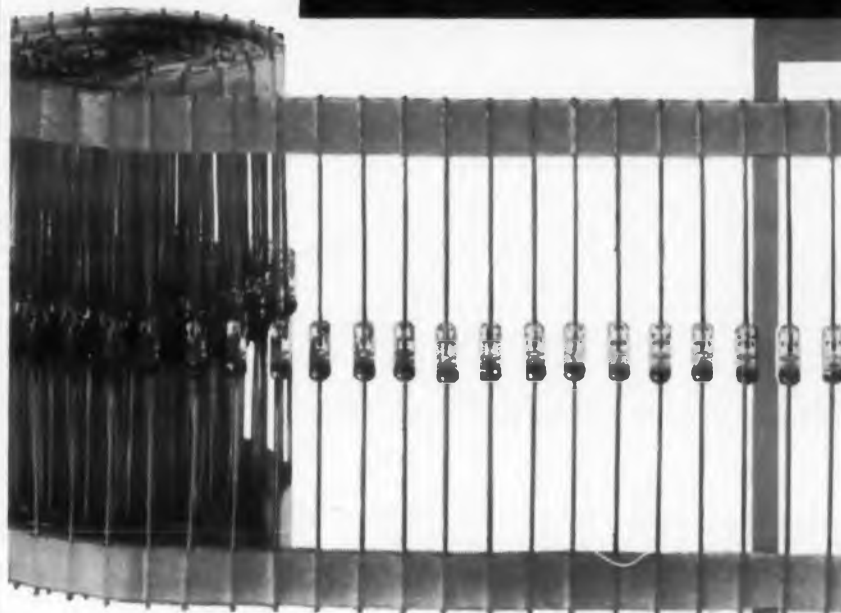
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The convention will be held in New York City at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel and the New York Coliseum.

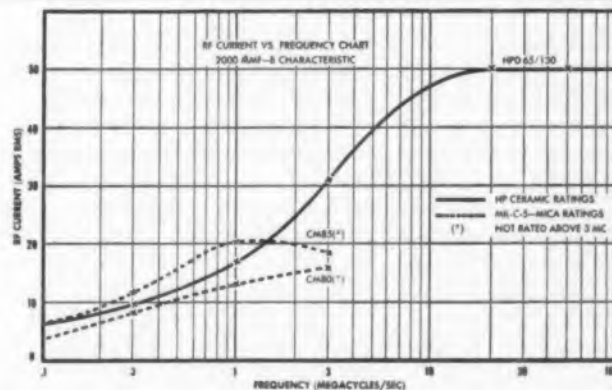


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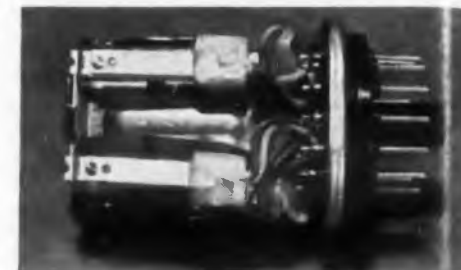
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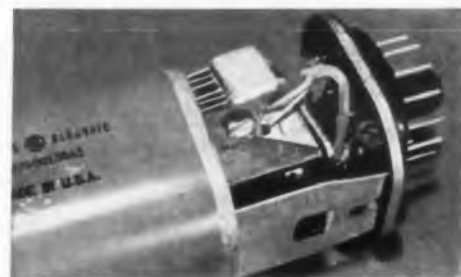
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How to Get Your Money's Worth Out of the IRE International Convention

Industry leaders overwhelmingly endorse the desirability of technical conventions, but they are understandably becoming concerned about the growing number. A recent study of meetings in the field of flight sciences, prepared for the Daniel and Florence Guggenheim Foundation, found that industry leaders agreed, 2 to 1, that there were too many gatherings. The study estimates that the 43 meetings on flight sciences last year had cost the industry 258,000 man-days of technical time and \$21,500,000 or more in man-costs. To this was added about \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000 for the time and money to prepare papers, arrange the meetings, publish programs, create and install exhibits, etc.

Here are some suggestions for getting the most out of your time at the forthcoming IRE colossus, which features 15 simultaneous technical sessions each day and 850 exhibits on four floors:

1. Plan your attendance at the sessions by checking the advance program. (See tabulation of the sessions on p 68 of this issue.) Decide with other engineers from your company who will cover which sessions.

2. Be an aggressive listener. Before attending technical sessions, check the summaries in the IRE Guide. Make notes at the sessions. Evaluate the discussion. Question the speaker about his paper after the formal discussion period.

3. Plan your booth visits by checking the show product preview in this issue. It begins on p 128.

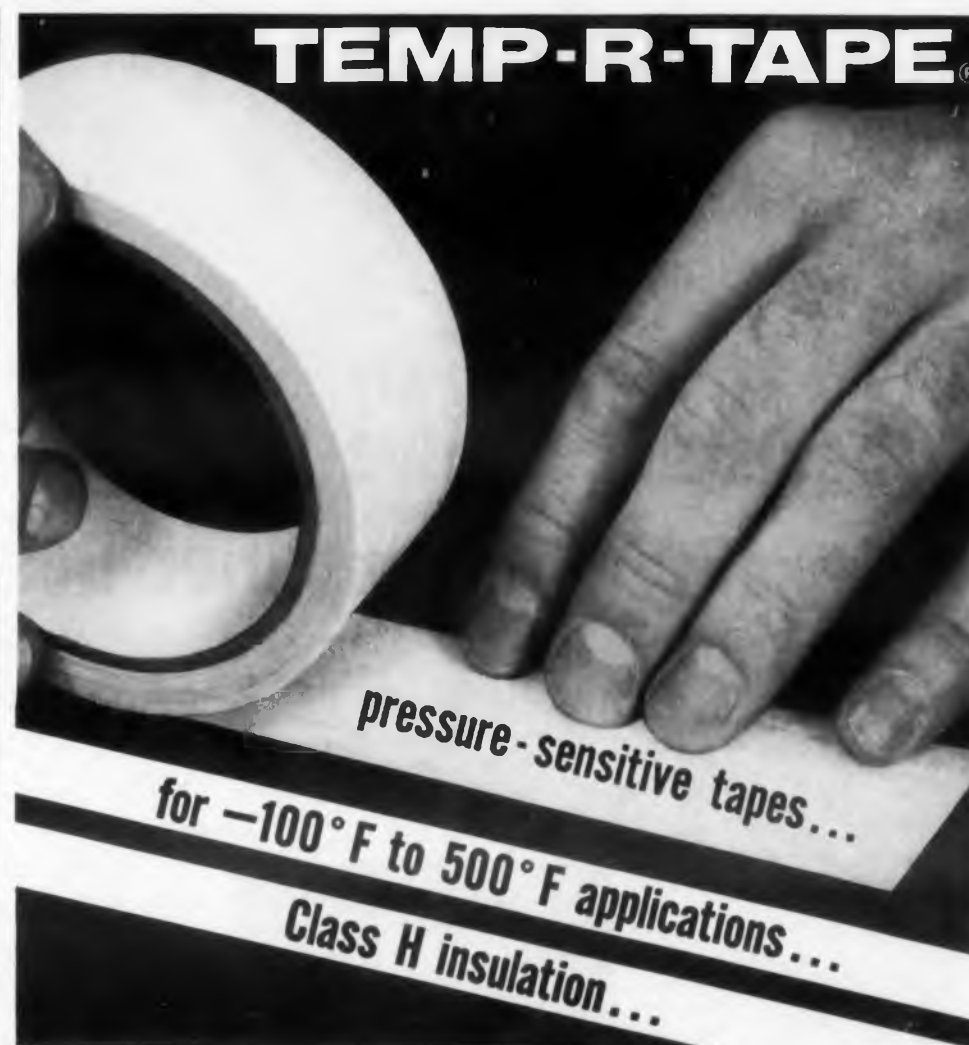
4. Get in touch in advance with those supplier company engineers with whom you wish to discuss new products or new developments. Breakfast, lunch, or dinner appointments can be handy ways to avoid conflicts with the technical program.

5. Absorb technical information as well as refreshments at hospitality suites.

6. If you are from out of town, plan contacts with companies in the Greater New York area as part of your trip.

When the convention is over, analyze your experiences and make suggestions for improvements directly to the IRE or to this magazine. Constructive ideas are needed and are always welcomed.—EEG

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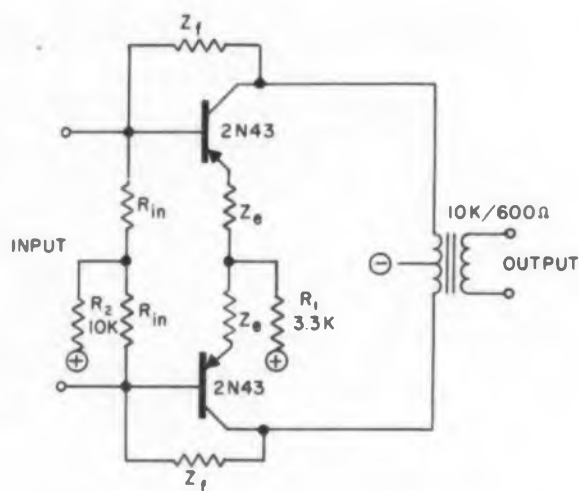


Fig. 1. Basic configuration of a balanced transistor amplifier for 600-ohm lines.

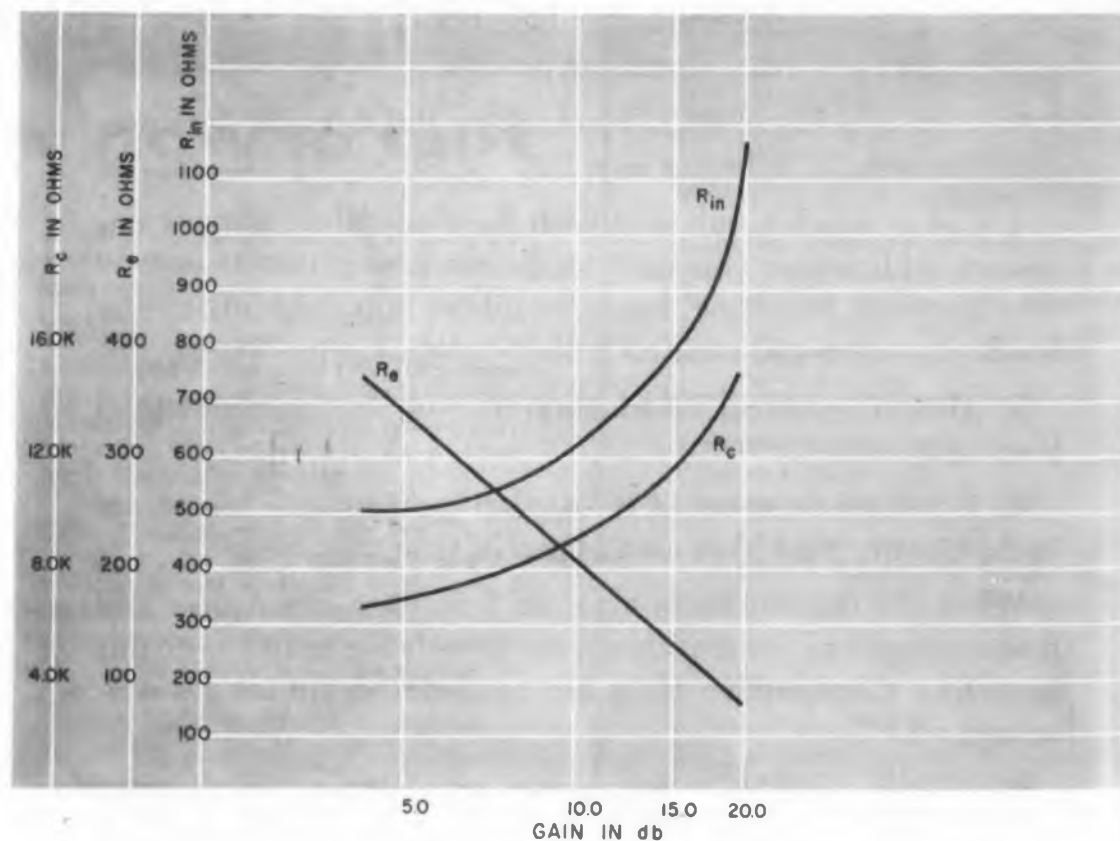


Fig. 2. Design curves for determining resistance values for the balanced amplifier.

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The collector-to-base feedback Z_f is an important factor which allows better than a 3 to 1 unbalance in beta. The primary impedance of the output transformer, selected as 10 K, reflects a 2.5-K load to each transistor and helps deliver maximum power out of a 2N43. Both the output and input impedances are 600 ohms ± 10 per cent as required for most telephone systems.

The values of R_1 and R_2 give maximum peak-to-peak output at a particular gain. The values of 3.3 K and 10 K for R_1 and R_2 respectively give best results for a 10-db amplifier. Tests show, however, that these values give quite satisfactory results over the entire gain-spectrum of the circuit.

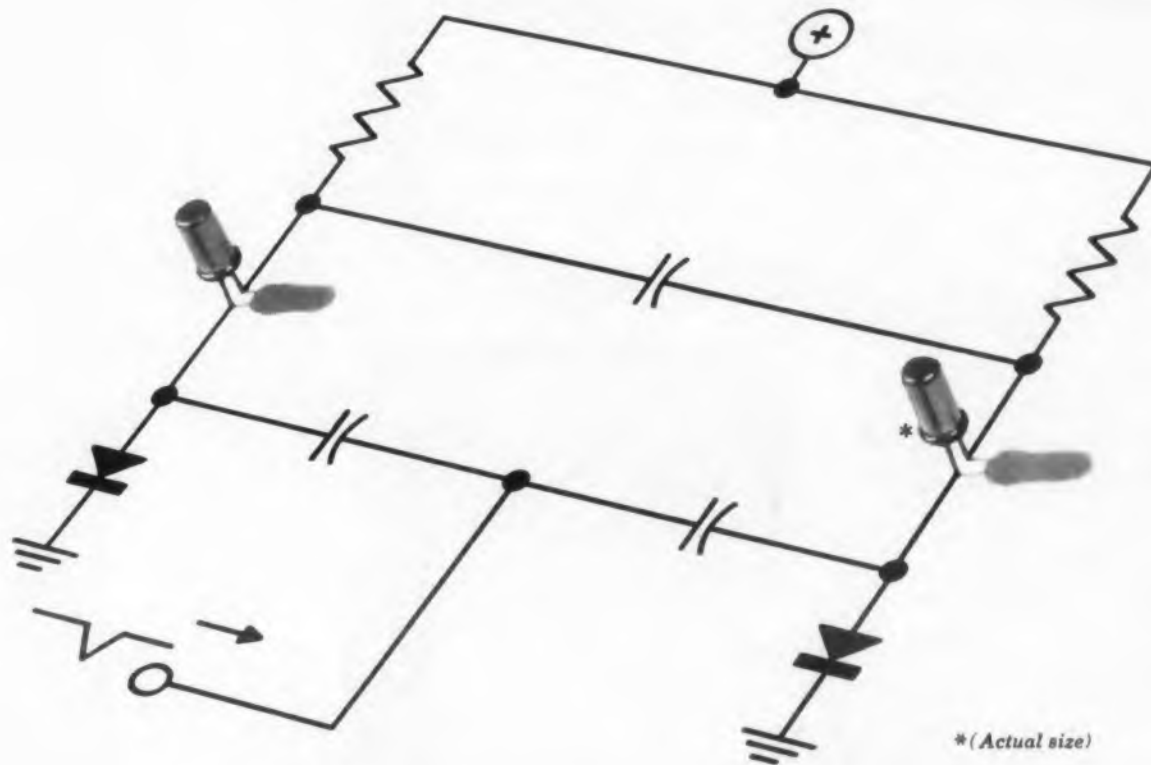
Fig. 2 shows curves for Z_e , Z_f , and R_{in} vs gain. It is a simple matter for the design engineer, requiring a particular amplifier gain to use these curves for the necessary resistance values. It is, of course, obvious that only a few values of gain can be achieved by using standard 5-per-cent resistors.

However, since high stability is usually a requirement when using this circuit, 1-per-cent resistors are generally used. This allows the selection of nearly any desired gain. It should again be pointed out that the input and output impedances remain fixed at 600 ohms ± 10 per cent.

The amplifier gain stability for varying supply voltages and transistor betas is shown in Fig. 3. This set of curves shows why it is not worthwhile having a larger gain spread than 4 to 20 db.

As the gain is increased, the effect of transistor beta spread is an exponentially increasing function. That is, as the amount of negative feedback is decreased the effect of beta on gain stability increases exponentially. Above 20 db the reduced stability no longer justifies using this type circuit.

Fig. 3 also indicates that, at the low end of the gain curve, increasing the amount of negative feedback no longer improves the stability. The stability of the amplifier for supply voltage variation is a straight line plotted on semi-log paper as



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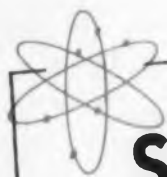
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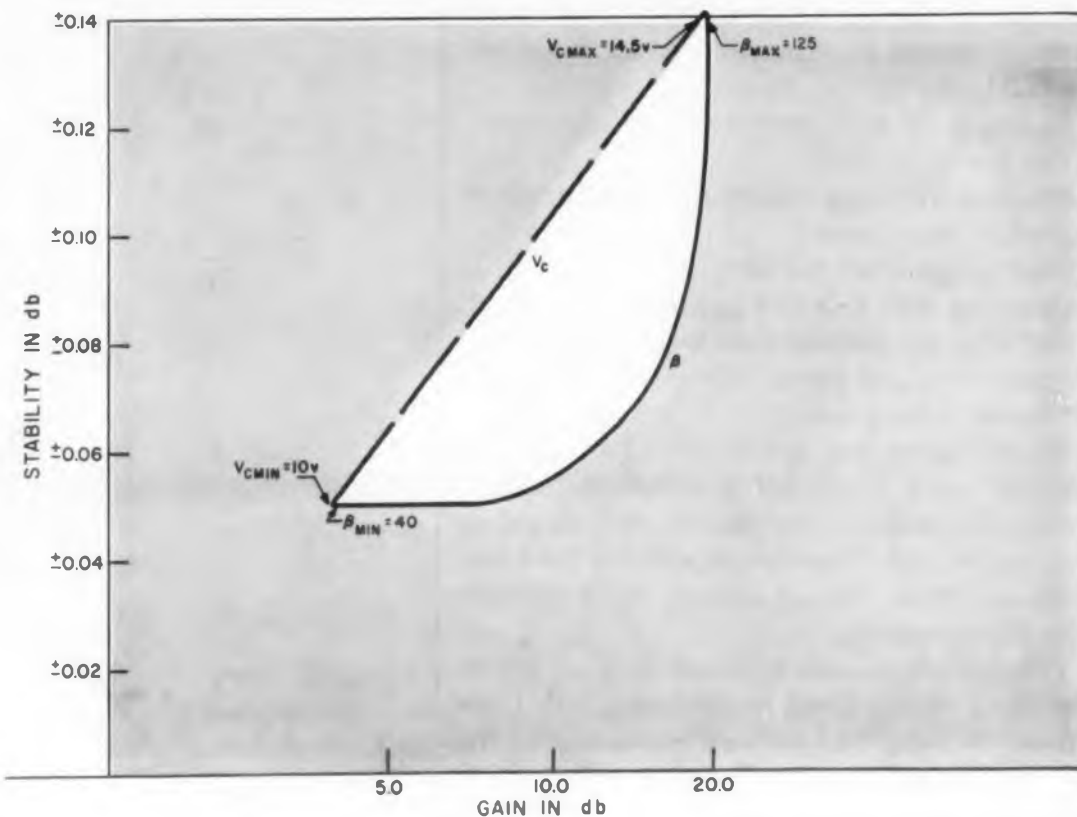


Fig. 3. (above) Gain stability as a function of gain at 1000 cps, 25 deg C. The curves cover a power-supply variation (V_c) of ± 10 to 14.5 v and variation in transistor beta from 40 to 125.

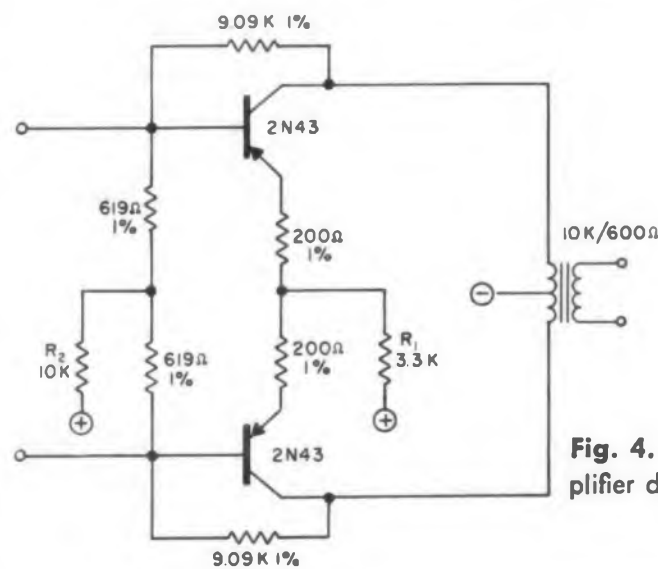


Fig. 4. The balanced transistor amplifier designed for a 10-db gain.

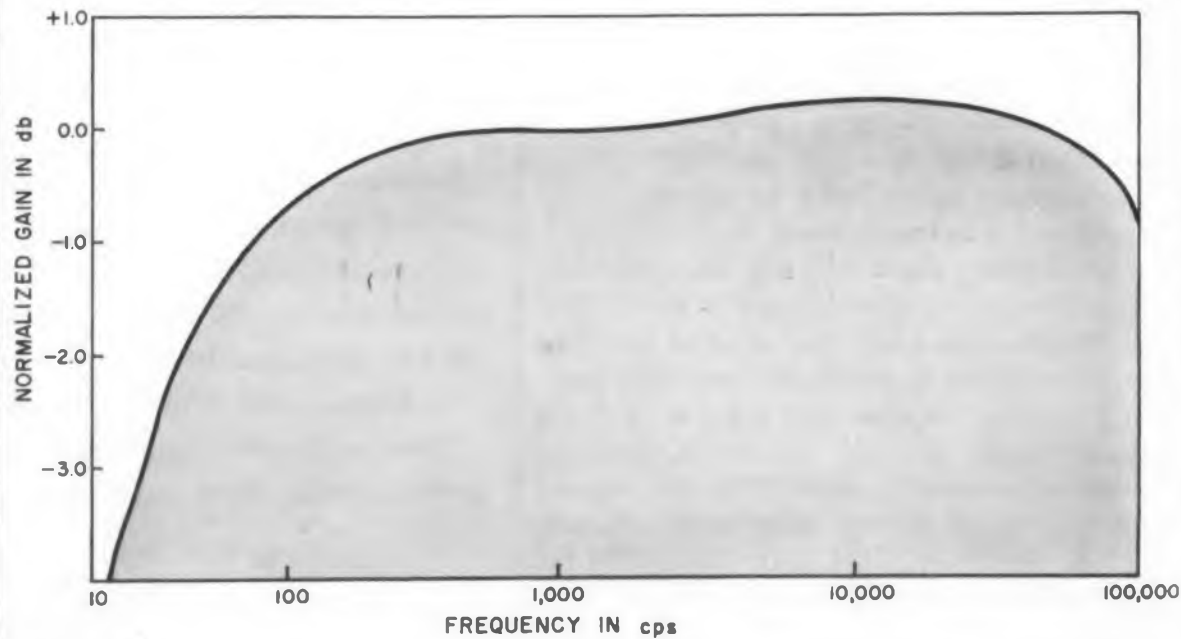


Fig. 5. Frequency response for the 10-db amplifier at 25 deg C. Transistors have a beta of 55 and the supply voltage is 12.3 v.

a function of the gain (i.e. the amount of negative feedback applied). The circuit's gain is highly stable over a temperature range from -20 to $+70$ C. Several tests at -40 C show no appreciable shift in gain.

With the indicated values of R_1 and R_2 , the maximum output of the amplifier is 1.5 v rms to a 600-ohm load for any selected gain. For a particular gain, adjustment of R_1 and R_2 will result in larger output voltages. Care should be taken not to exceed the dissipation rating of the transistors.

Design Procedure

Assume a 10-db amplifier is required which is to deliver 2.2 v peak-to-peak (0 dbm) to a 600-ohm load.

Looking at Fig. 2, we see that for 10-db gain $R_e = 200$ ohms, $R_{in} = 620$ ohms and $R_c = 9.1$ K. These are all standard 5 per cent values but as mentioned before, 1 per cent tolerance resistors are used. Fig. 5 shows that for a β spread of 40 to 125, we get a gain variation of ± 0.055 db and for a battery range of ± 10.0 v to ± 15.0 v, we get a variation of ± 0.10 db. Excluding resistor variations we now have a circuit designed to give a gain of 10 db ± 0.16 db.

The completed circuit shown in Fig. 4 has a noise level of -73 dbm with no input but including battery noise. Maximum output voltage is 2.0 v rms. There is no noticeable change in gain over a temperature range of -20 to $+70$ C.

The frequency response curve is given in Fig. 5. It should be noted that this response, in the lower frequency range, is entirely a function of the transformer used. Measurements show less than 0.5 per cent total distortion at 0.8 v rms and less than 1 per cent at 1.6 v rms with maximum transistor unbalance.

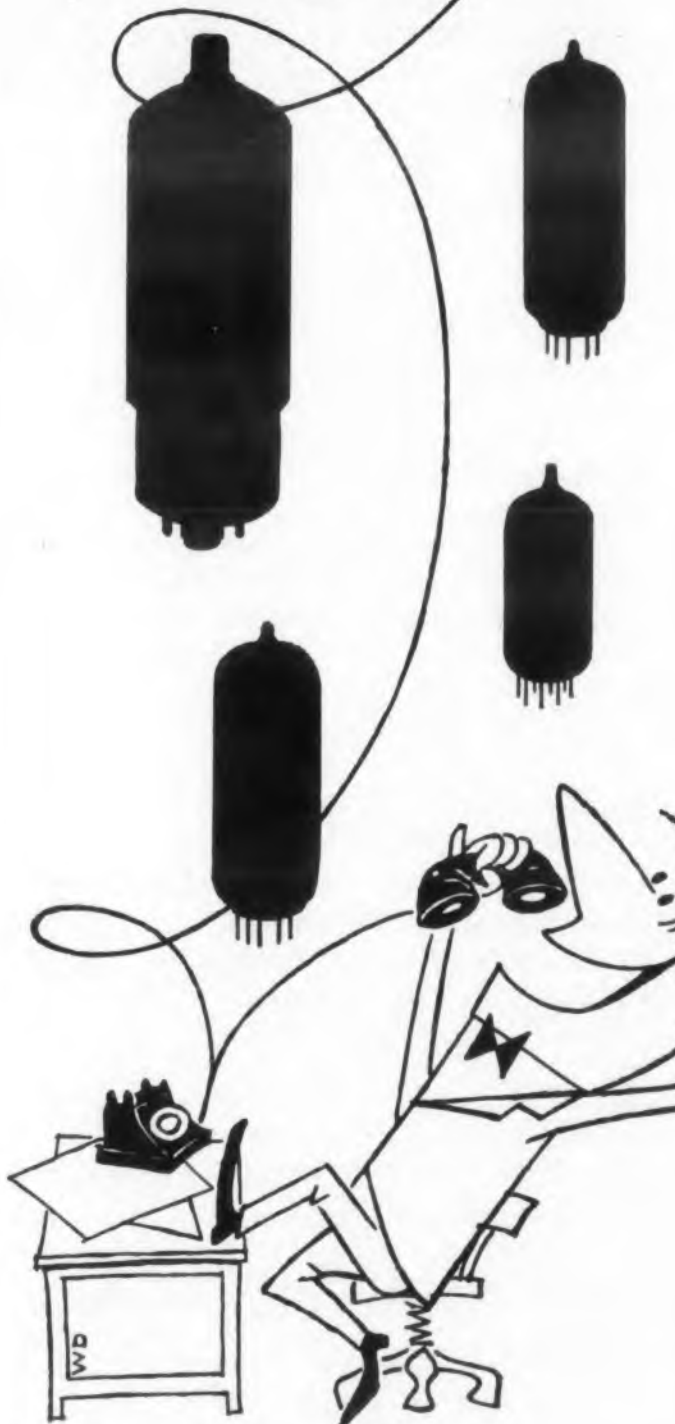
Circuit Limitations

Several limitations exist in the use of this circuit. The battery voltage range is ± 10.0 v to ± 15.0 v. The design curves are given for only 600-ohm input and output impedance. Though the output transformer secondary can be designed for any desired impedance level the input must necessarily be 600 ohms. If an input transformer is used a large part of the circuit advantage is lost.

One other important design consideration is manufacturing tolerance on the transformer. Variations in insertion loss and dc resistance have not been considered in any of the curves or calculations. ■ ■

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Graphical Solution of the Resonance Equation Speeds Circuit Design

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"Graphical methods," says Phil Amlinger, "can solve many differential equations in a very simple way." He wrote this article, the first in a series on graphical solution of network problems, to show how easily vector diagrams can solve the resonance equation.

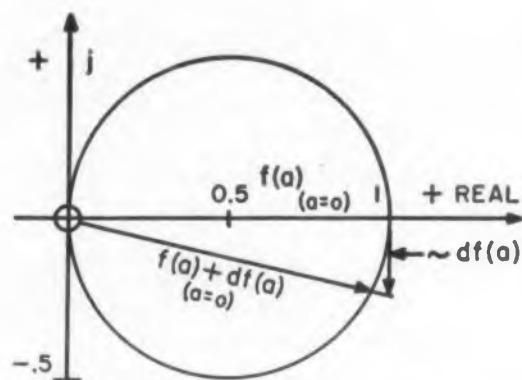


Fig. 1. Development of the vector diagram shows vector differential $df(a)$ applied to point $f(a) = 1$.

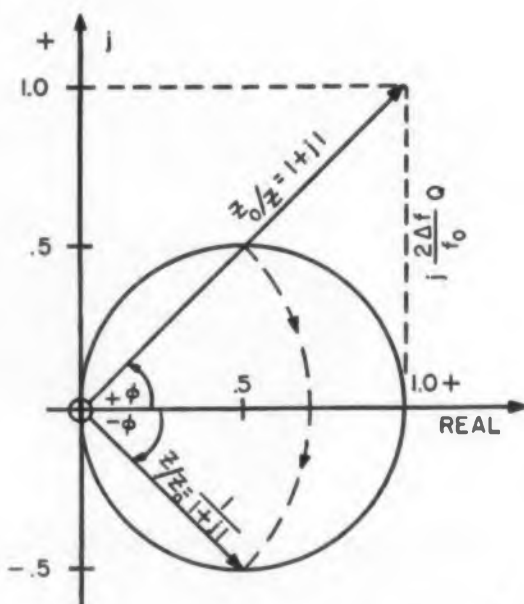


Fig. 2. Construction of vector $f(a)_{(a=1/2)} = 1/(1 + j1)$ from the inverse vector $1 + j1$.

AT A GLANCE, graphical methods can present a complete picture of a complex function and can obviate tedious computations. Applied to the general resonance equation, one graph can show magnitude and phase angle, real and imaginary part, attenuation and bandwidth.

When Q is greater than 10, the general resonance curve is closely approximated by

$$\frac{Z}{Z_0} = \frac{1}{1 + j \frac{2 \Delta f}{f_0} Q} = \frac{Y}{Y_0}$$

where Z is the impedance of a parallel resonant circuit, Y is the admittance of a series resonant circuit, Z/Z_0 and Y/Y_0 represent the normalized impedance and admittance, and the subscript 0 shows resonance.

One can introduce the term $a = (\Delta f/f_0) Q$ where Δf is half the 3-db bandwidth and $Q = \omega_0 L/R$. In terms of a , one can express

$$\frac{Z}{Z_0} = f(a) = \frac{1}{1 + j2a}$$

Vector Diagram Construction Needs Three Points On Circle

This expression represents a circle in the complex plane. Two points of the circle can be found easily for the extremes of the parameter $a = 0$, and $a \rightarrow \infty$: $f(a)_{(a=0)} = 1$ and $f(a)_{(a \rightarrow \infty)} = 0$.

To obtain the third criterion for the circle one must see how the function behaves near point $f(a)_{(a=0)} = 1$. Adding the infinitesimal value da to $a = 0$, gives $df(a)$, which represents the increase of the function at the desired point $f(a)_{(a=0)} = 1$. Differentiating:

$$\frac{d}{da} f(a) = \frac{d}{da} \left(\frac{1}{1 + j2a} \right) = \frac{-j2}{(1 + j2a)^2}$$

yields

$$df(a) = \frac{-j2da}{(1 + j2a)^2}$$

and with $a = 0$, one obtains

$$df(a)_{(a=0)} = j2da$$

which is an infinitesimal vector in the direction $-j$. (See Fig. 1.)

The function crosses the real (horizontal) axis at point $f(a) = 1$ at a right angle and vector $-j2da$ is tangent to the circle through points 1 and 0, with the center at 0.5 on the real axis. Note that $df(a)$ is considerably enlarged for clarity. For $-da$ one finds $df(a)_{(a=0)} = +j2da$. The vector differential can be applied to any point $f(a)$, but the one chosen is most convenient. Choosing

$$a = \frac{1}{2}$$

gives

$$f(a)_{(a=1/2)} = \frac{1}{1 + j1}$$

First one draws the denominator, vector $1 + j1$, with magnitude $|1 + j1| = \sqrt{2}$ and phase angle $\varphi = \pi/4$. (See Fig. 2.)

From Euler's Theorem one can write

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + j1 &= \sqrt{2} (\cos \pi/4 + j \sin \pi/4) \\ &= \sqrt{2} e^{j\pi/4} = \sqrt{2} /45^\circ \end{aligned}$$

which leads to

$$f(a)_{(a=1/2)} = \frac{1}{1 + j1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-j\pi/4} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} /-45^\circ$$

with magnitude

$$\left| \frac{1}{1 + j1} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

and phase angle $\varphi = -\pi/4$. Hence, as the function $f(a) = 1/(1 + j2a)$ is represented by the circle in Fig. 2, one finds any particular value by drawing vector $(1 + j2a)$ and then swinging it around the real axis by the amount of its phase angle, thus reversing the sign of φ . The intersection with the circle represents vector $1/(1 + j2a)$.

Vector Diagram Shows Off-Resonance Effects

Fig. 3 shows a detailed construction of the resonance equation with different values of a . At resonance, $a = 0$ and $f(a) = Z/Z_0 = Y/Y_0 = 1$. The circuit is resistive. Below resonance, $\omega < \omega_0$, so $a < 0$. For example, $a = -1/2$ gives $Z/Z_0 = f(a) = 1/(1 - j1) = 1/2 + j1/2 = 0.708 /45^\circ$. This indicates that the magnitude $Z/Z_0 = 0.708$, the real component = 0.5, the imaginary component = 0.5. Hence the circuit is inductive with phase angle $\varphi = 45$ deg.

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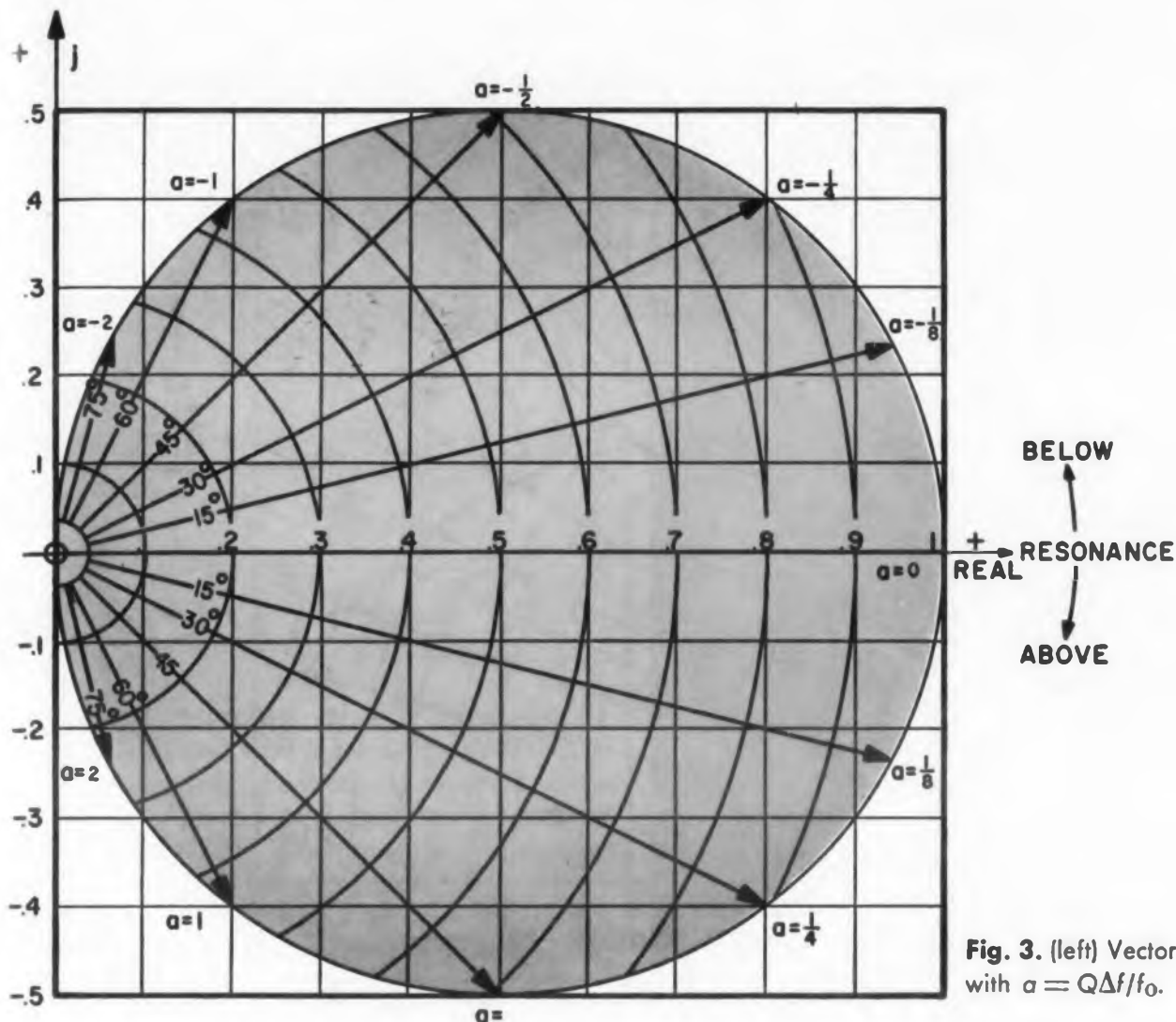


Fig. 3. (left) Vector diagram of the resonance equation with $a = Q\Delta f/f_0$.

For $a = 0$ and da in the negative direction, $df(a)_{(a=0)} = +j2da$ which means that the function runs counterclockwise on the upper semicircle for all negative values of a representing $\omega < \omega_0$. Hence, below resonance $f(a)$ is inductive, and above resonance, with $a > 0$, $f(a)$ is represented by the lower semicircle so the circuit is capacitive.

Fig. 3 shows immediately that the real component is maximum at resonance and that it decreases off resonance. The imaginary component is zero at resonance and reaches its maximum for $a = \pm 1/2$ where real and imaginary parts have equal magnitude and the phase angle is 45 deg. At this point the magnitude of the impedance (or admittance) is 0.708 of the resonance value, that is, it is 3 db down.

Design Application Gives Impedance, Voltage, Phase, Bandwidth, and Q

The magnitude of the normalized impedance

$$\frac{|Z|}{Z_0} = \frac{1}{\left| 1 + j \frac{2\Delta f}{f_0} Q \right|}$$

is read from Fig. 3, is plotted separately in Fig. 4, together with a db scale for the relative attenuation.

This, of course, is the familiar resonance curve of a single-tuned LC circuit. The impedance, and therefore, the voltage-decrease off resonance is a function of the detuning $\pm \Delta f$ and the circuit Q . The condition for 3-db attenuation is a Q -bandwidth product

$$\frac{Q}{f_0} bw_{(3db)} = \frac{2\Delta f}{f_0} Q = 1$$

where $2\Delta f$ is the 3-db bandwidth (bw) between the specified impedance vectors, yielding

$$\frac{Z}{Z_0} = \frac{1}{1 \pm j1} = \frac{1 \mp j1}{2} = 0.708 \angle \mp 45^\circ$$

One can now construct a chart for a specified attenuation. Again a circle through points 1 and 0 with the center at 0.5 on the real axis represents the function

$$\frac{Z}{Z_0} = \frac{1}{1 + j \frac{2\Delta f}{f_0} Q}$$

Along the real axis a db scale indicates the relative attenuation.

The particular value is transferred to the circle by means of a compass. The intersection represents the normalized impedance vector

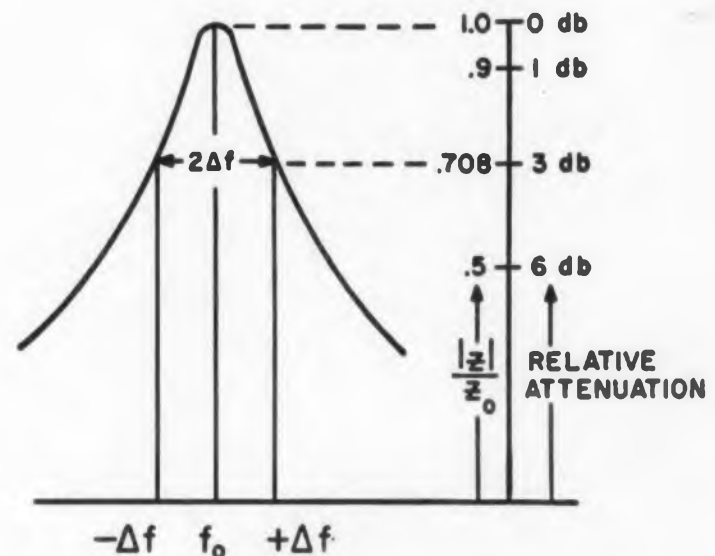


Fig. 4. Parallel resonance curve shows the magnitude of the normalized impedance.

$$\frac{Z}{Z_0} = \frac{1}{1 + j \frac{2\Delta f}{f_0} Q}$$

for the particular attenuation.

It is now necessary to find the Q -bandwidth product. The reciprocal vector

$$\frac{Z_0}{Z} = 1 + j2 \frac{\Delta f}{f_0} Q$$

is found at the ordinate through point 1.0 on Fig. 5. Extending the impedance vector, for example, for 3-db attenuation, till it intersects the ordinate, yields vector

$$\frac{Z_0}{Z} = 1 + j1$$

One can simply read the Q -bandwidth product $2Q\Delta f/f_0$ for the particular attenuation at the ordinate through point 1.0. For 6-db attenuation one reads $|Z|/Z_0 = 0.5$ and $2Q\Delta f/f_0 \approx 1.73$. For 1-db attenuation $|Z|/Z_0 \approx 0.89$ and $2Q\Delta f/f_0 = 1/2$. The vectors

$$\frac{1}{1 + j \frac{2\Delta f}{f_0} Q} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{1 - j \frac{2\Delta f}{f_0} Q}$$

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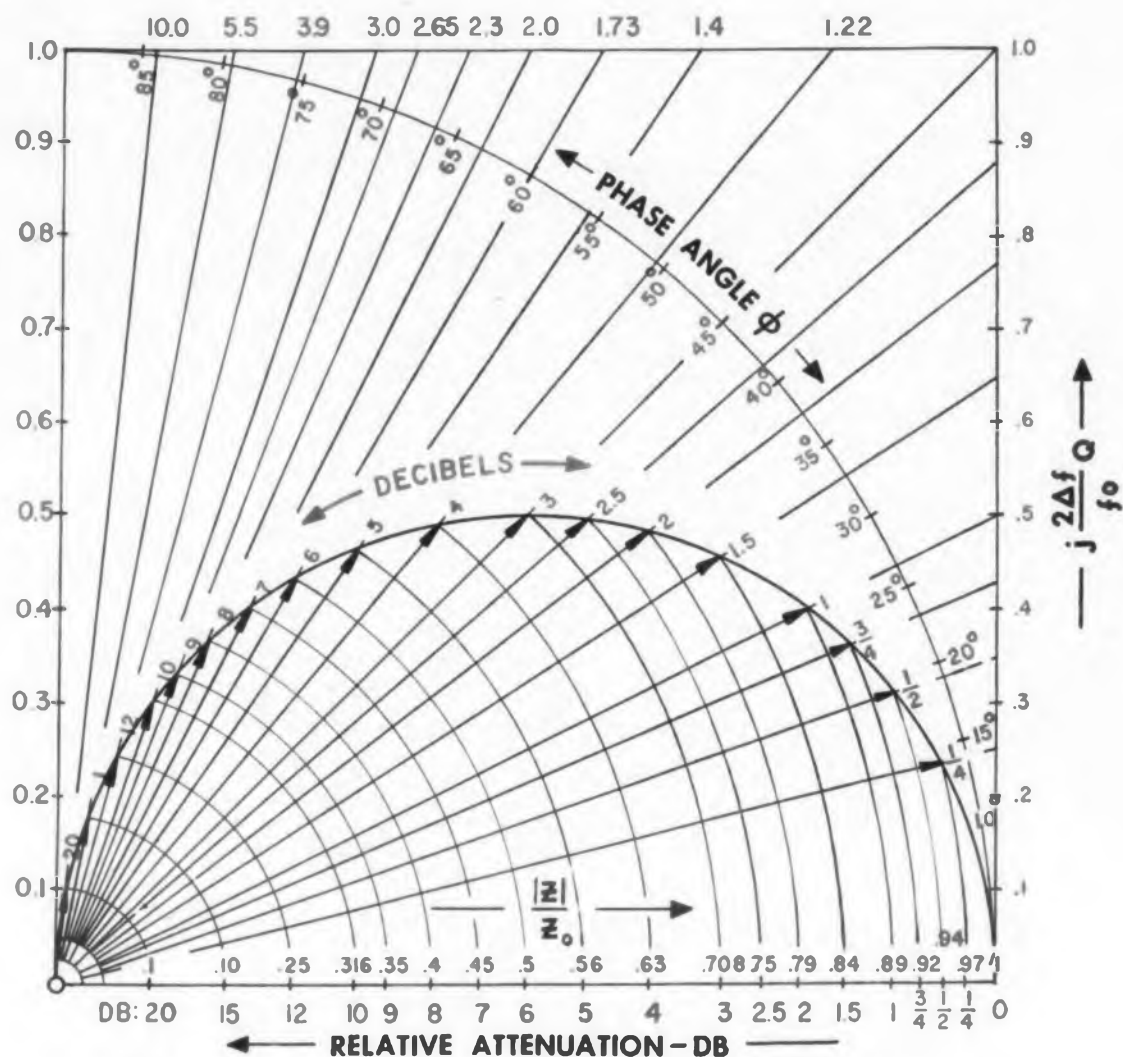
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|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|-----|-------|-------|-----|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| $\frac{2\Delta f}{f_0} Q$ | 0 | .25 | .35 | .43 | .5 | .65 | .77 | .88 | 1.0 | 1.22 | 1.47 | 1.73 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 2.65 | 3.0 | 3.9 | 5.5 | 10.0 | $\approx \frac{20}{ Z }$ | $\approx \frac{20}{(ATT)}$ |
| $\frac{ Z }{Z_0}$ | 1.0 | .97 | .94 | .92 | .89 | .84 | .79 | .75 | .70 | .63 | .56 | .5 | .45 | .4 | .35 | .316 | .25 | .178 | .1 | <0.1 | ~ 1.0 |
| PHASE ANGLE ϕ | 0° | 14° | 19° | 23° | 26.5° | 33° | 37.6° | 41.4° | 45° | 50.7° | 55.8° | 60° | 63.5° | 66.5° | 69.3° | 71.6° | 75.7° | 79.7° | 84.3° | (→) 90° | (←) 0° |

Fig. 5. Design chart and table giving resonant circuit parameters—phase angle, Q-bandwidth product, normalized impedance, and attenuation.

other as reflected in the real axis, that is, their magnitudes and real parts are equal but their imaginary parts have opposite sign. Therefore, assuming good symmetry of the resonance curve, one needs only a semicircle to represent Z/Z_0 .

The final chart, Fig. 5, enables one to determine quickly the bandwidth vs. Q for a specified relative attenuation or vice versa. The values for $2(\Delta f/f_0)Q > 1$ are plotted along the abscissa through point 1.0, to save space. Some examples will demonstrate the usefulness of the chart!

Design Examples With Single And Cascaded Circuits

■ For a single-tuned tank circuit with resonant frequency $f_0 = 1$ mc and $Q = 150$, what is the 3-db bandwidth?

The chart in Fig. 6 gives the conditions for 3-db attenuation.

$$\frac{2\Delta f}{f_0} Q = 1$$

Hence

$$bw_{(3db)} = 2\Delta f = \frac{f_0}{Q} = \frac{1 \times 10^6}{150} = 6.66 \text{ kc} \\ = 0.66 \text{ per cent } f_0$$

■ For a single-tuned tank, resonant at 1 mc, a 6-db bandwidth of 20 kc (2 per cent f_0) is required. What is the required Q ?

For 6-db attenuation, the chart in Fig. 6 shows

$$2 \frac{\Delta f}{f_0} Q = 1.73$$

Hence

$$Q = \frac{1.73}{2\Delta f} f_0 = 1.73 \frac{1 \times 10^6}{2 \times 10^4} \approx 87$$

■ A multi-stage, single-tuned amplifier, resonant at 100 mc, is to have a 3-db bandwidth of 1 mc (1 per cent f_0). It has n cascaded stages with $n = 3$. What is the necessary Q per stage, and what will be the attenuation and phase shift per stage and for the entire amplifier?

Since the overall attenuation is 3 db, the attenuation per stage is $3/n \text{ db} = 1 \text{ db}$. For 1-db attenuation, the chart gives

$$\frac{2\Delta f}{f_0} Q = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$Q_{\text{stage}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{f_0}{2\Delta f} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{100}{1} = 50$$

yielding

$$\frac{Z}{Z_0(\text{stage})} = \frac{1}{1 \pm j \frac{1}{2}} = 0.89 \angle \mp 26.5^\circ$$

The overall voltage ratio

$$\frac{E}{E_0} = \left(\frac{Z}{Z_0}\right)^3 = (0.89 e^{\mp j 26.5^\circ})^3 = 0.708 \angle \mp 79.5^\circ$$

that is, total attenuation within the required bandwidth is 3 db, and total phase shift is $\pm 80 \text{ deg}$.

■ Three-cascaded, single-tuned, identical stages have an f_0 of 70 mc. At $f_0 \pm 20 \text{ mc}$ the attenuation must be 80 db. What must the Q per stage be and the 3-db bandwidth per stage?

The 80-db bandwidth is $2\Delta f = 40 \text{ mc}$. Hence, the attenuation per stage is $80/3 = 26.66 \text{ db}$.

$$26.66 \text{ db} = 20 \log X$$

$$X = 21.5$$

This gives

$$\frac{|Z|}{Z_0(\text{stage})} = \frac{1}{21.5}$$

The table in Fig. 6 shows, for a relative attenuation $\geq 20 \text{ db}$,

$$\frac{Z_0}{|Z|} \approx 2 \frac{\Delta f}{f_0} Q$$

Hence

$$\frac{2\Delta f}{f_0} Q \approx 21.5$$

yielding

$$Q_{(\text{stage})} = 21.5 \frac{70 \text{ mc}}{40 \text{ mc}} = 37.5$$

and, with the condition for 3-db attenuation of a single stage,

$$\frac{2\Delta f}{f_0} Q = 1$$

$$\text{per stage } bu_{(3\text{db})} = 2\Delta f = \frac{f_0}{Q} = \frac{70 \text{ mc}}{37.5} = 1.86 \text{ mc}$$

For convenience, some values of the chart in Fig. 6 are tabulated below it. ■ ■

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Amplitude-Modulation Techniques Class-C RF Amplifiers

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Amplitude-modulation techniques have not received the glamorous fanfare and publicity given to fm, ptm, pwm, and other more modern methods of impressing intelligence on a carrier. However, the comparatively ancient techniques are still being widely used by the military, industrial and amateur services with satisfactory performance and reliability.

Here is a roundup of the more popular am techniques currently in use.

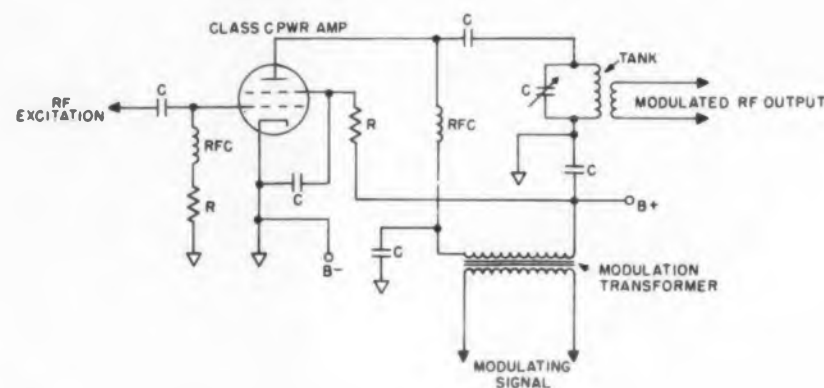


Fig. 1. Plate-modulated output stage.

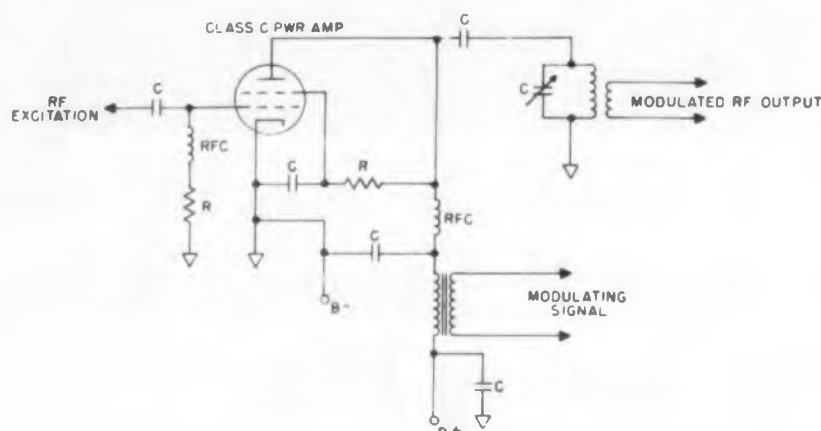


Fig. 2. Combined plate-screen modulated stage.

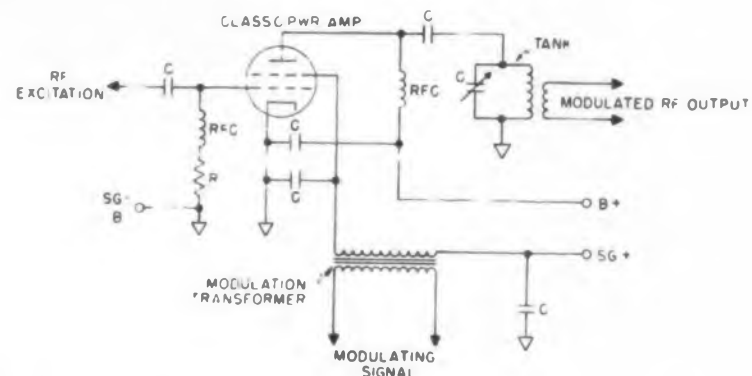


Fig. 3. Screen grid modulation using modulation transformer

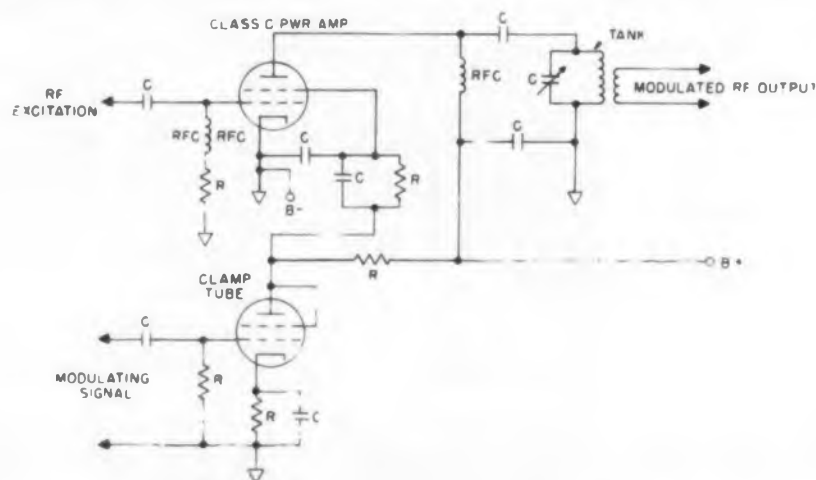


Fig. 4. Screen grid modulation with clamp tube.

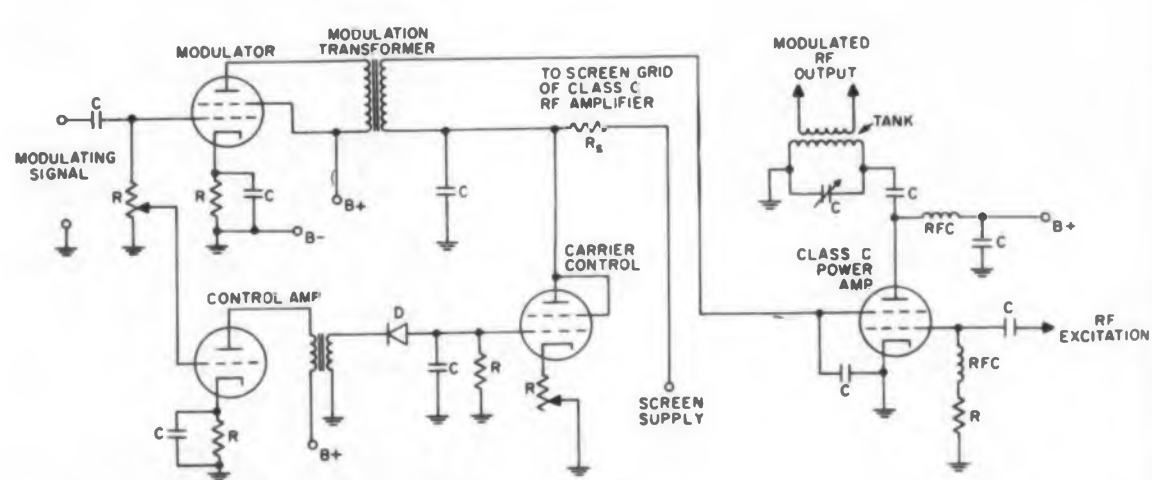


Fig. 5. Controlled-carrier modulation.



Norman Wesler (at right) and John Fokine (at left) are design engineers who feel that future communication trends will lean towards amplitude modulation techniques combined with single-sideband modes of transmission.

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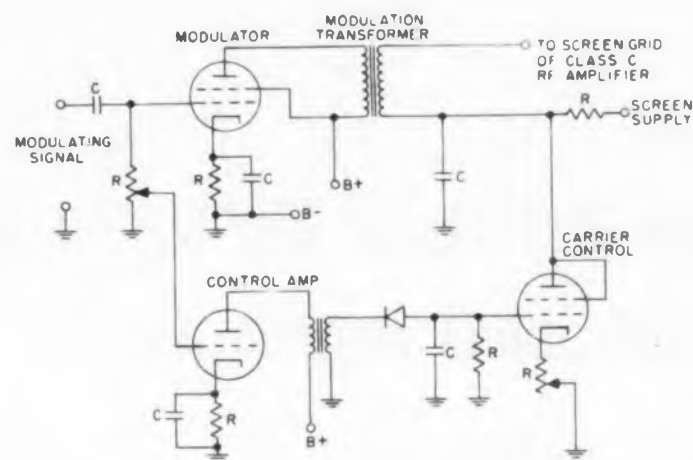


Fig. 6. Control-grid modulated stage.

Roundup of Most Popular Arrangements for Amplitude Modulation

| Type of Modulation | Circuit Description | Advantages | Disadvantages |
|---|---|---|---|
| Plate (Fig. 1) | Modulating signal is coupled to the rf load through the modulation transformer. | High plate efficiency | 1. Large amount of modulator power required. 2. Bulky, expensive modulation transformer necessary. |
| Plate-Screen (Fig. 2) | Screen grid is fed from modulation transformer common to plate. | Improved linearity over plate modulation. | Same as plate modulation system. |
| Screen-Grid With Modulation Transformer (Fig. 3.) | Plate fed from dc supply. Modulation applied to screen electrode through modulation transformer. | 1. Relatively low modulator power required. 2. Tank circuit tuning requires simple adjustment. | Low plate efficiency. |
| Screen-Grid With Clamp Tube (Fig. 4) | Clamp tube acts as dual modulator amplifier and coupling device. Modulating signal varies effective resistance of tube, which, together with resistor R_a , determines the screen potential. | 1. Eliminates modulation transformer — savings in size and expense. 2. Applicable to wideband transmission. | Low plate efficiency. |
| Controlled-Carrier (Fig. 5) | A portion of the modulating signal is fed to the control amplifiers, which rectify, filter and apply to the screen a dc voltage proportional to the modulation level. With no modulation, screen voltage is at a minimum. | 1. Low modulator power required. 2. Power is conserved during periods of no intelligence. | 1. Low plate efficiency. 2. Additional components compared other screen grid methods. |
| Control-Grid (Fig. 6) | Modulation transformer secondary varies control grid voltage. | 1. Exceptionally low modulation power required. 2. Commonly used in TV transmitters where low power, wide bandwidth signals are handled. | 1. Tuning adjustments critical. 2. Low efficiency. |

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How To Design A Voltage Divider Network Having Constant Input Impedance

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A VOLTAGE-divider network that provides a constant-input impedance can be designed (for many types of equipment) using a one-pole, one-deck, multi-range switch. The input-energy source connected to this network will be unaffected by load variations, and a linear voltage division will result when the switch is moved from range to range.

The switching circuit for n ranges is shown in Fig. 1. When designing the n^{th} range, however, Fig. 2 is a more generalized diagram.

The input impedance seen by the source E is.

$$Z_{in} = r_n + \frac{R_N (R - RN + Z)}{R + Z} = r_N + R' \quad (1)$$

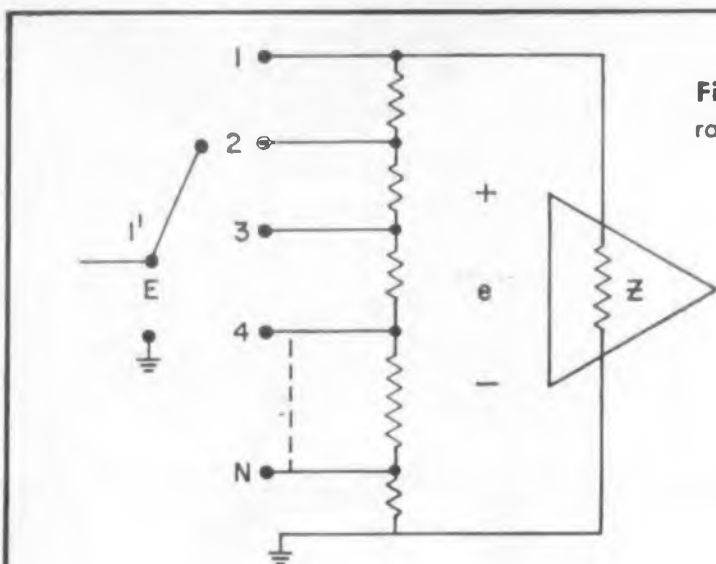


Fig. 1. (left) The switching-range for n ranges.

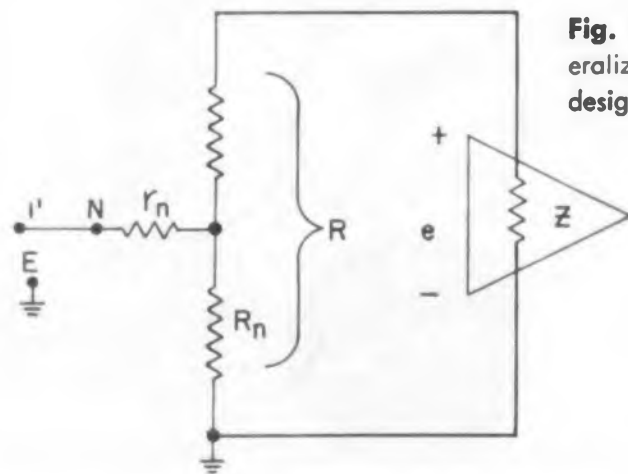


Fig. 2. (left) This is the generalized diagram used when designing the n^{th} range.

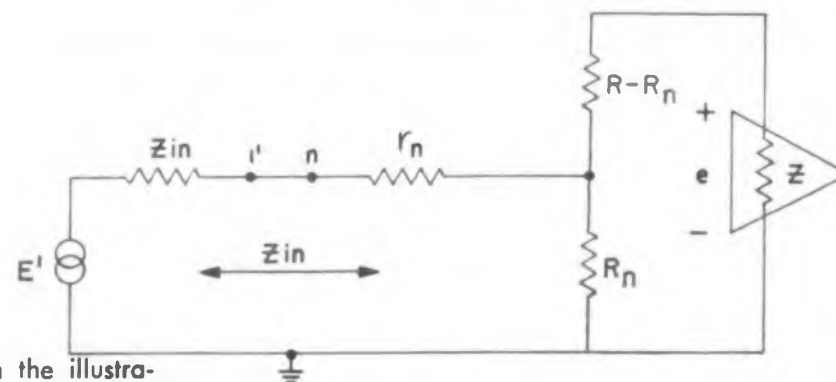


Fig. 3. (right) In the illustrative example, a switch feeds a transistor amplifier.

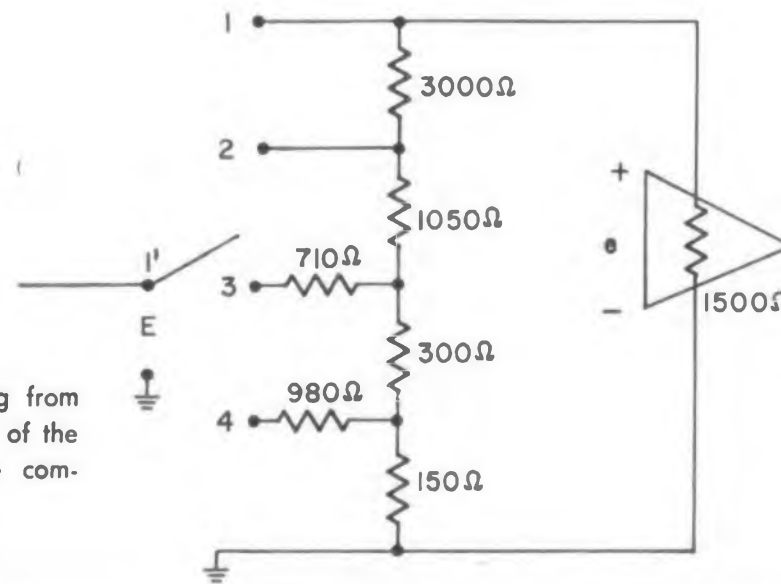


Fig. 4. (right) Working from Table 1, the remainder of the switch parameters are computed and listed here.

where

$$R' = \frac{R_N (R - RN + Z)}{R + Z}$$

If the following substitutions are made,

$$\alpha = \frac{R}{Z}, \beta = \frac{R_N}{Z} \text{ and } \delta = \frac{r_N}{Z} \quad (2)$$

then in normalized form:

$$\frac{Z_{in}}{Z} = \frac{r_N + R'}{Z} = \delta + \left[\frac{\beta (1 + \alpha - \beta)}{1 + \alpha} \right]$$

On the most sensitive range (contact I' connected to contact I in Fig. 1), the normalized impedance seen looking into the range switch is:

$$\frac{Z_{in}}{Z} = \frac{R}{R + Z} = \frac{\alpha}{1 + \alpha} \quad (3)$$

Since the same impedance is desired for any of the n ranges, Eqs. 2 and 3 must be equated. Therefore:

$$\frac{\alpha}{1 + \alpha} = \delta + \left[\frac{\beta (1 + \alpha - \beta)}{1 + \alpha} \right] \quad (4)$$

Normalizing the input voltage to the transistor amplifier,

$$\frac{e}{E} = \frac{R'}{r_N + R'} \times \frac{Z}{R - R_N + Z} \quad (5)$$

where e/E will be called $1/q$.

Solving Eqs. 4 and 5, the values of β and δ can be found. They are:

$$\beta = \alpha/q \quad (6)$$

$$\delta = \frac{\alpha - (1 + \alpha - \alpha/q) \alpha/q}{1 + \alpha} \quad (7)$$

These equations are valid only if $q \geq \alpha$. If this inequality does not exist, then δ is negative and the solution is an absurdity.

For a four-position range switch with $\alpha = R/Z = 3$, the pertinent equations are solved and the normalized results are listed in Table 1.

Example

Suppose this switch is feeding a transistor which has the following hybrid parameters: $h_i = 1600$ ohms, $h_r = 2.1 \times 10^{-3}$, $h_o = 50$ micromhos, $h_{fe} = 50$ and feeding a load of 1000 micromhos. The input impedance and current ratio into the base of this stage (common emitter configuration) are respectively:

$$Z = h_i - \frac{h_r h_{fe}}{h_o + G_L} \text{ and } \frac{i_b}{i_s} = \frac{R_s}{R_s + Z} \quad (8)$$

With reference to Fig. 3,

$$R_s = \frac{(Z_{in} + r_N) R_N}{Z_{in} + r_N + R_N} \quad (9)$$



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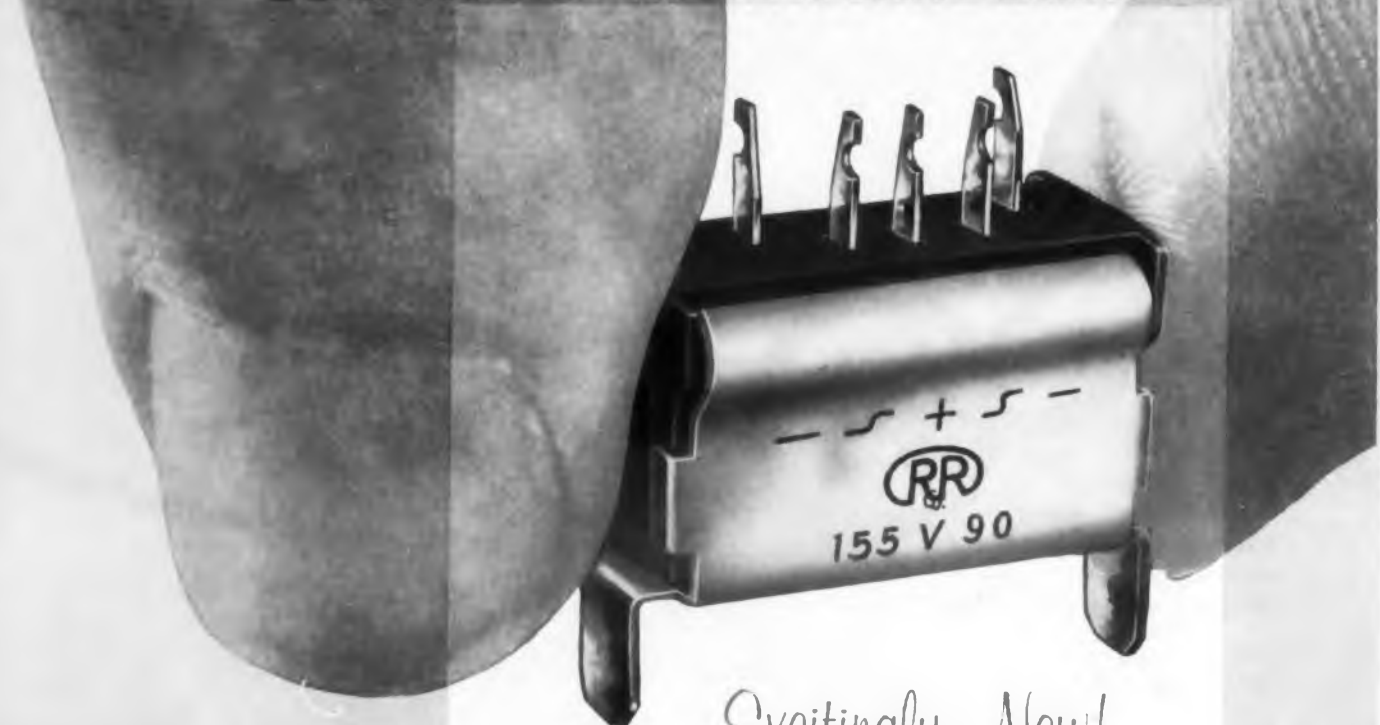
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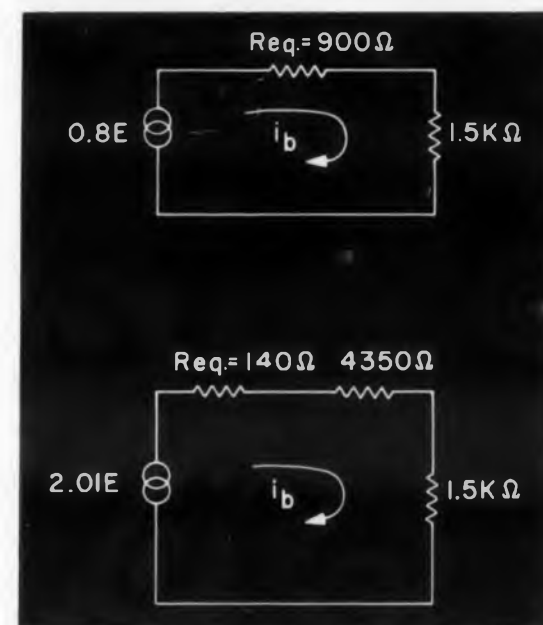


Fig. 5. Thévenin equivalent circuits. Range 1 is shown above, Range 2 is shown below.

For the typical small signal transistor selected,

$$Z = 1600 - \frac{2.1 \times 10^{-3} (50)}{(50 + 1000) 10^{-6}} = 1500 \Omega$$

This means $R = 4500$ ohms in this example. Working from Table 1, the remainder of the switch parameters are computed. These values are shown in Fig. 4.

The current going into the base is determined from Eq. 8. Although the value of R_s changes for each range, the value of i_b correspondingly changes to keep the base current the same. This is seen in the two Thévenin equivalent circuits of Fig. 5, for ranges 1 and 4.

Of major concern is how this circuit would function if a transistor with a different β was substituted in the amplifier. Let us assume a β variation of ± 50 per cent and see how much error this introduces. With a β of 75,

$$Z = 1600 - \frac{2.1 \times 10^{-3} (75)}{1050 \times 10^{-6}} = 1450 \Omega$$

Table 1. For a 4-position range switch (with $\alpha = R/Z = 3$), the pertinent equations are solved and the normalized results listed here.

| Range | q | $\beta = \frac{R_n}{Z}$ | $\delta = \frac{r_n}{Z}$ |
|-------|----|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| 10 | 10 | 0.3 | 0.4725 |
| 30 | 30 | 0.1 | 0.6525 |

Table 2. The pertinent changes due to β variation are shown here.

| | | β Values | | |
|---------|---------------------------|----------------|------|-------------|
| | | 25 | 50 | 75 |
| Range 1 | Z_{in} | 1150 | 1125 | 1095 |
| | $\frac{\Delta Z_{in}}{Z}$ | 2.22% | 0 | 2.66% |
| | q | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| | ΔE | 0.012E | 0 | 0.014E |
| Range 2 | Z_{in} | 1130 | 1125 | 1120 |
| | $\frac{\Delta Z_{in}}{Z}$ | 0.445% | 0 | 0.445% |
| | q | 2.94 | 3 | 3.07 |
| | ΔE | 0.004E | 0 | 0.004E |
| Range 3 | Z_{in} | 1127 | 1125 | 1126 |
| | $\frac{\Delta Z_{in}}{Z}$ | 0.17% | 0 | 0.085% |
| | q | 9.8 | 10 | 10.25 |
| | ΔE | ≈ 0 | 0 | ≈ 0 |
| Range 4 | Z_{in} | 1125 | 1125 | 1125 |
| | $\frac{\Delta Z_{in}}{Z}$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | q | 30 | 30 | 30 |
| | ΔE | 0 | 0 | 0 |

and with a β of 25,

$$Z = 1600 - \frac{2.1 \times 10^{-3} (25)}{1050 \times 10^{-6}} = 1550 \Omega$$

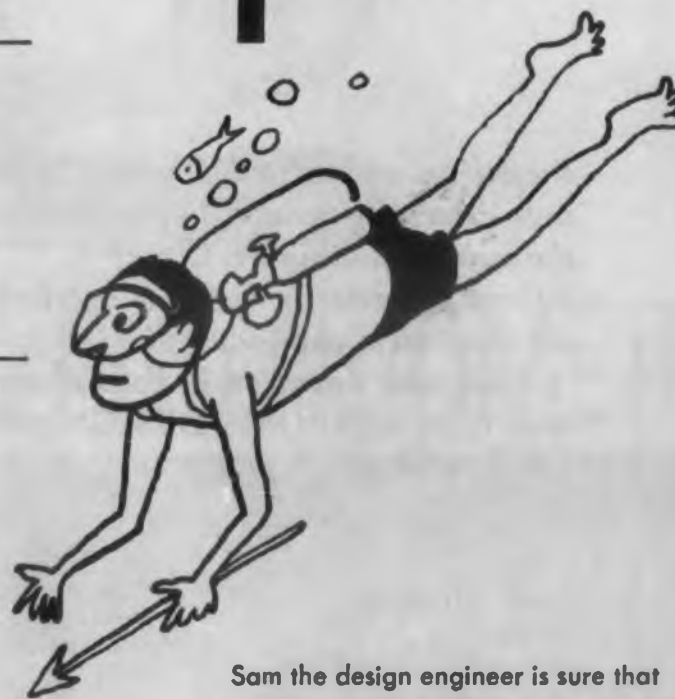
Due to the feedback term, for a ± 50 -per cent β variation, the input impedance has a variation of only ∓ 3.3 per cent.

In Table 2, the pertinent changes due to β variation are recorded. The largest change in E due to a change in transistor input impedance is 1.4 per cent and this occurs in Range 1. The values listed in this table are all within slide-rule accuracy and show that the magnitude of the errors introduced decrease as the number of switching stages are increased. ■ ■

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An Industrial Designer Discusses . . .

CASES and HOUSINGS

Functional and attractive styling in cases and housings externally reflect the aesthetic touch of the industrial designer. Clever internal schemes, sometimes overlooked, are illustrated and discussed. (Knobs were discussed in the February 17th issue of ELECTRONIC DESIGN, p 56, Panels in March 2, p 32.)

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Fig. 1a. The control knob of this thermostat tester is rather close to the heat unit, an undesirable operation factor.



Fig. 1b. By placing the control to the side, operator safety is achieved. An opening in the self-contained handle provides storage for the thermometer during transit.

LABORATORY and production equipment, concealed from all but the engineer and technician, have only recently emerged from the grim, "black-box" look to the sophisticated and functional package which proudly reflects the intricate circuit design enclosed. Consumer-product devices, on the other hand, have been housed in attractive enclosures for some time due to pressures exerted by furious competition.

Major efforts by industrial designers are responsible, to a great extent, for the "new look" in production and laboratory equipment.

Industrial Design Targets

Prime targets for the industrial designer faced with an assignment involving equipment housing are:

- Clean, distinctive styling.—A neat, uncluttered appearance inspires confidence to an unskilled or newly-assigned technician. It also conveys a sense of prestige to the manufacturer as well as the purchaser.

- Convenient accessibility to internal components.—In the event replacement, repair, or calibration is required, enclosure removal should be rapid and simple.

- Minimum tooling and production costs.—By carefully weighing the feasibility of mass-production techniques, thereby reducing assembly steps and hardware required, substantial cost savings can be realized.

To illustrate typical problems submitted to the industrial designer, several case histories are presented with "before and after" comparisons.

Thermostat Tester

Consider the assignment originally calling for a stainless-steel enclosure to serve as a carrying case for a thermostat tester manufactured by Spencer Thermostat Div., Metals and Controls Corp., Attleboro, Mass.

Minimum tooling costs, ease of assembly, and provisions for the storage of a glass thermometer were the original project goals. After careful study, a completely redesigned product housing was proposed which eliminated the need for a separate carrying case and, at the same time, fulfilled the original requirements.

All existing components were retained but regrouped for improved operator handling. As shown in Fig. 1a, the control knob in the original

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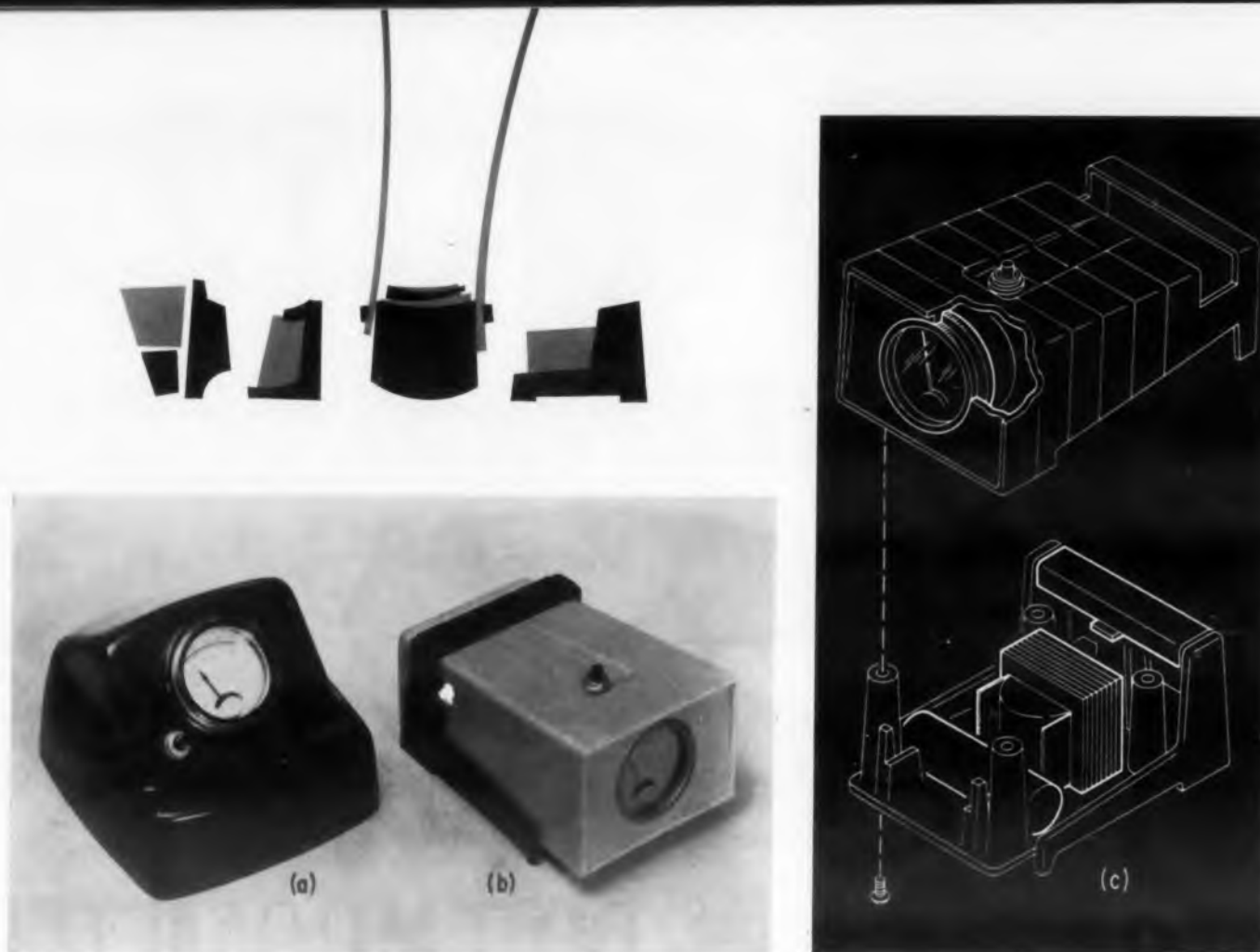


Fig. 2. The original antenna rotator control (a), has been redesigned (b) for ease in assembly (c) as well as styling.

design was not conveniently accessible and was located rather close to the heat unit. By transferring the control to the side of the case, as shown in Fig. 1b, simpler and safer operation is achieved.

The handle of the new housing is an integral part of the assembly and the hole in the upright provides the protective storage for the accessory thermometer. All wiring is routed through one side of the unit for an improved, uncluttered appearance.

The curve at the top of the housing permits reduction of over-all package height without sacri-

fice in adequate gripping space. Perforations are included for ventilation.

Antenna Rotator

An antenna rotator control, (Fig. 2a) manufactured by Crown Controls Corp., New Bremen, Ohio, was judged to be unattractive, costly to assemble, and poor in terms of accessibility for repair purposes. Industrial designers were consulted for overall package redesign.

Since the unit is intended for home use rather than laboratory or factory service, a two-tone color

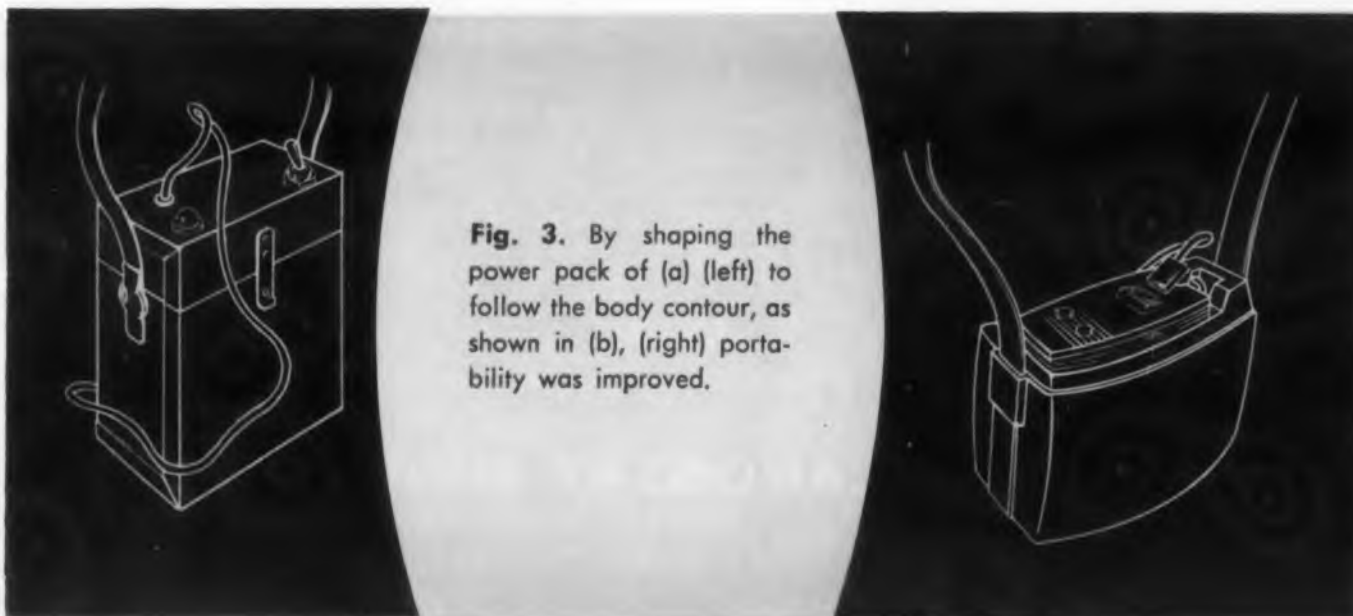


Fig. 3. By shaping the power pack of (a) (left) to follow the body contour, as shown in (b), (right) portability was improved.



Fig. (4a)

scheme in neutral shades of ivory-cream and terra cotta was selected to harmonize with most natural furniture woods.

The dial for the new design, Fig. 2b, is located so as to provide maximum visibility over a wide field of view. The face of the dial is decorative and non-technical to avoid confusion by the housewife and the company name has been given a distinctive and functional appearance. In addition, the new shape is easy to grasp and carry and offers a light, airy appearance when contrasted against the original styling.

Economy and convenience in production and assembly were effected by molding (1) an inexpensive bakelite cradle to support the internal components, Fig. 2c, and (2) a plastic cover permitting rapid accessibility and assembly.

Portable Power Pack

Field technicians complained of aches and bruises inflicted by a poorly packaged power pack. Constructed of heavy-gage metal, the uncompromising metal box, Fig. 3a, bounced uncomfortably against the body during transportation and was awkward to grip.

Goals for redesign included improved appearance, convenience and comfort for the operator, and elimination of the dangling electric cord.

As shown in Fig. 3b, the newly styled case is molded of vinyl-type plastic in a modified kidney-shape to conform to the body's contour. No screws

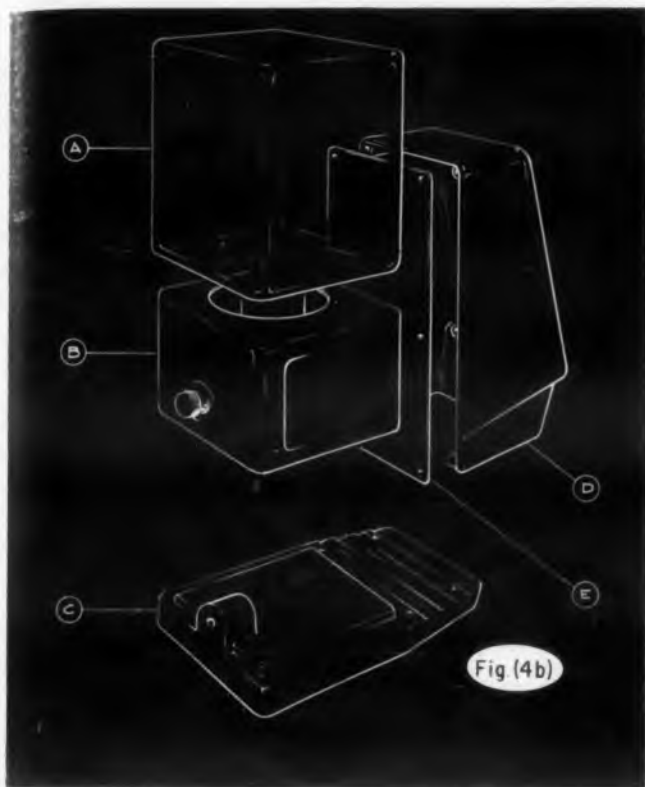


Fig. 4 (a) and (b). The ultrasonic cleaner shown is suitable for display in a factory or atop the counter of a fine jewelry store.

are needed for assembly—parts snap together securely. The feed cord is neatly wrapped around a spool included as an integral part of the case.

Ultrasonic Cleaner

The final case history illustrates the redesign of an enclosure for an ultrasonic cleaner and drier maker by Acoustica Associates, Plainview, N.Y.

Although primarily intended as an instrument for factories and repair shops engaged in jewelry and metal work, it was nevertheless decided that the finished product should be attractive enough to look well on the counter of a fine jewelry retail shop.

Since cleaning solutions must be replaced regularly without danger of spilling, it was mandatory to consider rapid and simple accessibility to internal components.

As shown in Figs. 4a and 4b, a three-section housing was conceived with the following sections:

- (1) A base casting with ventilation slots.
- (2) A casting for the control chamber, with a removable cover plate. All electrical components are mounted to the cover plate as a separate sub-assembly. The cover plate is then simply attached to the control chamber casting.
- (3) A sheet metal wrap-around base firmly holds the cleaning solution jar and acts as a self-supporting unit when removed from the equipment. ■ ■

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How a Digital Servo Loop Operates



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Many times, fellow engineers have asked Hayes B. Steinhouer about the digital servo that he is developing. He concluded that a basic description of just how one of these sampling servos operates would be of wide interest. In this article, Mr. Steinhouer considers a shaft angle repeater. Such a system might be part of a radio repeater link by which aircraft instrument readings could be simultaneously observed at a ground station.

A DIGITAL servo converts a digital number or code group into a corresponding position of an output shaft. This is accomplished by a servo loop which is partly analog (shaft position controller) and partly digital (special purpose computer serving as the comparison element of the loop).

In this device, digital data, representing the desired position of an output shaft, is received and compared with locally generated data representing the actual position of the shaft. The comparison allows control of the output shaft to make its actual position correspond with the desired position.

Actual and Desired Positions Are Compared Digitally, Adjustment Is Made by Analog Drive

In brief, register 1 (Fig. 1) receives and temporarily stores a binary code group representing the desired position of the output shaft. Register 2 performs the same function for the actual position of the output shaft. Adder 3 produces a binary number which is the difference between the two. This difference is temporarily stored in the result register 4.

The digital number in register 4 is converted into an equivalent voltage by a digital-to-voltage converter 6. Polarity control 5 makes sure that the polarity of this output from unit 6 corresponds to

the polarity of the digital difference stored in register 4.

The analog voltage from 6 is then amplified in servo amplifier 7 in order to drive servo motor 8. This motor rotates the load and the digital shaft encoder 9 in a direction to make the position of output shaft 10 coincide with the command position, closing the loop.

Command and Actual Shaft Position Encoded at Sampling Rate

Let us look more closely at the operation of the special purpose digital computer that forms part of this servo system. The digital command received by register 1 is in the form of a natural binary code group. The code group of digital signals recurs at a chosen sampling or repetition rate. This sampling rate is governed by programming pulses. The register is thus periodically cleared to receive and temporarily store successive code groups. Each digital signal corresponds to an instantaneous position of the command.

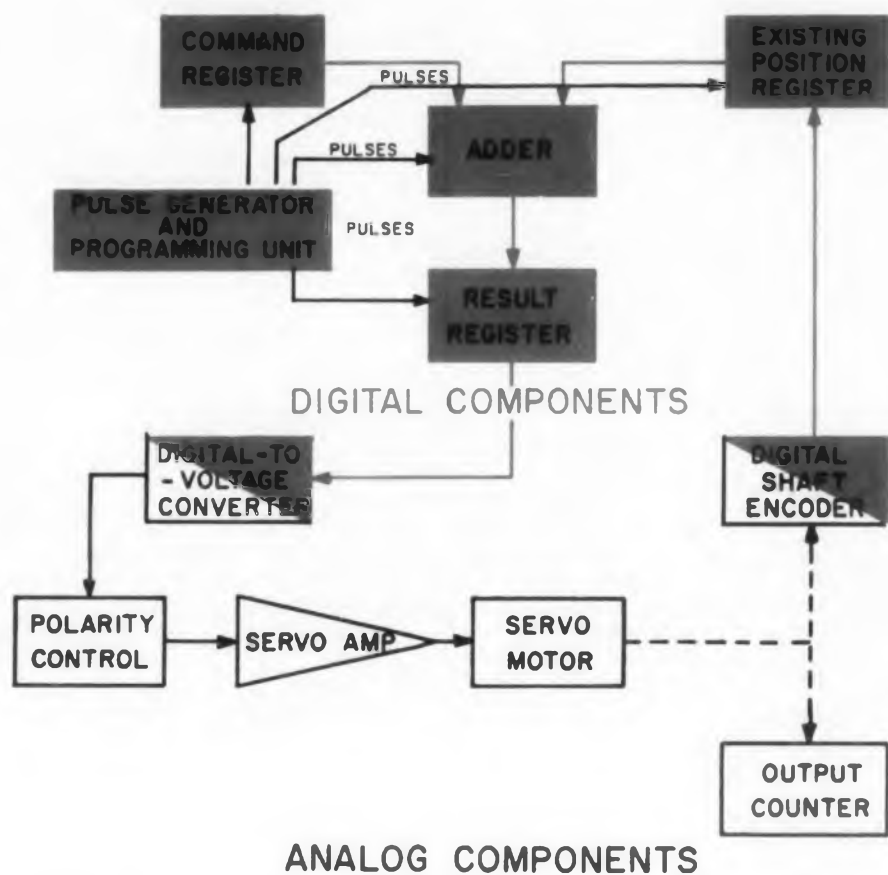
Similarly register 2 receives and stores for an interval successive code groups of digit signals, each corresponding to an instantaneous position of the output shaft. The digit signals received from the digital shaft encoder might be either in natural binary code or in the cyclic binary code. The cyclic binary code (or a gray code) is fre-

quently used when encoding a shaft position to reduce reading errors. In this code, an additional unit for translating from cyclic into natural binary coding is required. The number in register 2 must be in natural binary, since the computer operations are performed in natural binary.

Difference is Determined by Adding The Complement of Actual Shaft Position

The difference between two numbers could be obtained in adder 3 either by subtracting the second from the first or by adding the complement of the second to the first. However, the process of addition is simpler to accomplish in a computer than that of subtraction. Consequently, an adder is used in unit 3, and the number required in register 2 is the complement of the binary number representing the output shaft position.

One way of obtaining this complement would be by reading out of the digital encoder 9 the binary number representing the output shaft position and then complementing this number by an operation in a computer. However, it is usually simpler to arrange the shaft encoder 9 to read out the complement of the number representing output shaft position so that no additional complementing operation is required. Simply reversing the direction of rotation of the shaft encoder will give a complement read out.



Digital servo loop is partly special-purpose digital computer, partly analog drive.

The addition operation is initiated and carried out by program pulses supplied to the adder and to registers 1, 2, and 4. The difference or result produced by adder 3 is in the form of a code group of digits in natural binary code. This result is received by register 4.

The result represents the numerical value of the difference between the numbers which were in registers 1 and 2 at the start of the operation. The result is next transferred to a storage register in the digital-to-voltage converter (unit 6). This unit produces an output voltage proportional to the numerical value of the binary digital input fed into it.

Polarity Is Determined By The Most Significant Digit in the Difference

How the polarity is determined can be seen from two numerical examples. First let the number in the command register be 11 which corresponds to 1011 in the natural binary code. Let the number which represents the output shaft position be 6. This is 0110 in natural binary. In this case, the command number is larger than the shaft position number.

Because the number required in register 2 is the complement we take the complement of the output shaft position 0110. This is done in binary arithmetic by changing all ones to zero, all zeros

to ones and adding one as follows:

$$\begin{array}{r} 1001 \\ 0001 \\ \hline 1010 \end{array}$$

This is the number which appears in register 2.

We next add the numbers in register 1 and register 2 to obtain a result for register 4 as follows:

$$\begin{array}{r} 1011 \\ 1010 \\ \hline 10101 \end{array}$$

The numerical value of the result is obtained from the first four digits (starting from the right or least significant digit). In this case it is 0101 which corresponds to 5 in the decimal code, the correct difference between 6 and 11.

The left hand or most significant digit in the result is a 1 in this five-bit word. A 1 always occurs in the furthestmost left digit when a positive result occurs, corresponding to a command position higher than the shaft position number.

Difference Must be Complemented When Negative Result Is Indicated

For the second example let the number in the command register be 6 (0110) and the number representing output shaft position be 11 (1011). Here the command number is lower than the shaft

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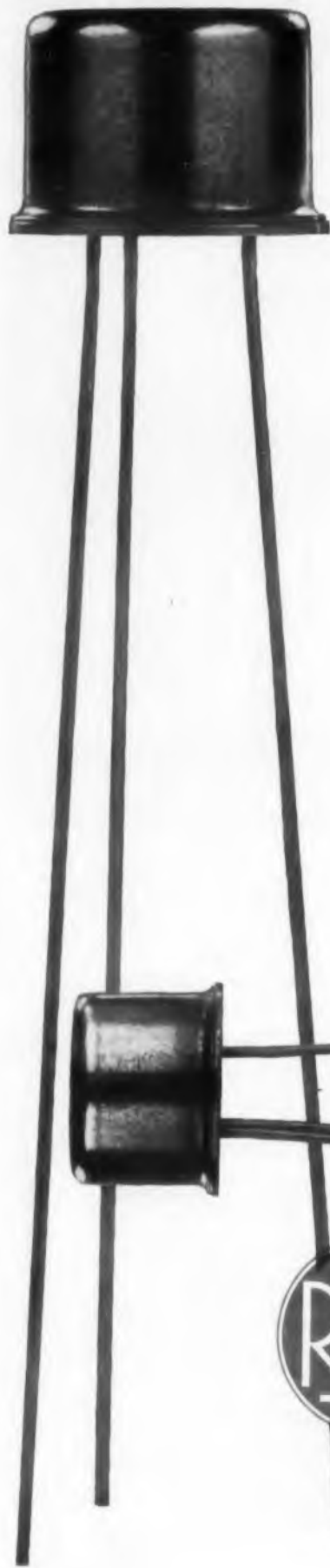
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0101 as the binary number

in register 2.

No wadding the numbers in register 1 and register 2 as follows:

$$\begin{array}{r} 0110 \\ 0101 \\ \hline 01011 \end{array}$$

In this case, the left hand or most significant digit is a 0. This indicates that the result is negative. It also means that the number represented by the four digits to the right must be complemented to obtain the correct numerical value of the result.

Complementing the right hand or least significant digits 1011 as follows:

$$\begin{array}{r} 0100 \\ 0001 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

0101 as the result which corresponds to 5 in the decimal code.

A 0 always occurs in the farthest left (or carry) position when the result is negative, corresponding to a number less than the shaft position number. Note that whenever the result is negative, we must take the complement of the number in the result register 4 in order to obtain the correct numerical value of the difference.

There must always be one more digit in the result than there are in the numbers being added. For instance, if four digit numbers are being added, the result must have five digits. If eight digit numbers are added the result will have nine numbers. The additional digit is to accommodate any carry over that may occur from the addition. It is this additional left hand digit which is called the carry position and is the one used in determining polarity of the result.

Polarity Control Reverses Voltage and Complements Difference for Negative Results

A polarity control circuit 5 is operated by the digit in the result carry position. Whenever a 1 is present in the carry position the polarity control remains inoperative. When a 0 occurs in the carry position the polarity control operates to reverse the polarity of the voltage out of the digital-to-voltage converter 6.

When a 0 is present in the carry position of the result, the polarity control also operates to cause programming pulses to complement the number in the result register before sending it to the digital-to-voltage converter. This complementing operation may be done in a separate unit inserted between the result register 4 and the digital

voltage converter 6.

Alternatively the complement may be obtained by merely inverting all digits in the result register, (all 1's to 0's and all 0's to 1's) without adding a 1. The 1 is then added effectively by inclining an additional voltage equivalent to one unit in the output of the digital voltage converter whenever the converter output is negative.

Shaft Position is Sampled, Corrected to One Significant Digit at Sampling Rate

In the special purpose digital computers, then, we have produced a voltage output which is proportional to the difference between the command position and the output shaft position, and whose polarity depends on whether the command position and the output shaft position and whose polarity depends on whether the command position number is greater or lesser than the shaft position number. This voltage, amplified servo amplifier 7, drives servo motor 8. The motor turns the digital shaft encoder 9 and the output shaft 10 in a direction to correspond with the command. The complete program of operations is repeated at the chosen sampling rate. Typically this rate might be twenty times a second.

The command and existing positions are therefore compared say twenty times a second and a correcting voltage developed corresponding to their difference. As long as an error of even one least significant digit exists between the command and existing positions, a voltage is produced which will cause the servo to drive towards coincidence.

Shaft Encoder Reconverts Shaft Position To Digital Form for Computing

The digital shaft encoder 9 is geared to the output shaft which is being controlled. It represents shaft position by a digital number which varies from 0 to the 0 deg position up to a maximum number (just prior to the 360 deg shaft position) which is dependent on the number of digits used.

With eight digits this maximum is 255, since with eight digits there are 2^8 or 256 different increments or shaft positions and these are numbered from 0 to 255 (rather than 1 to 256). Similarly with a nine digit system ($2^9 = 512$) the maximum number would be 511. The command number varies between the same limits as the indicated shaft position.

In a typical system the servo amplifier 7, servo motor 8, and digital shaft encoder 9, might be packaged in an instrument case with the indicator dial mounted on the output shaft 10. The remaining units shown in Fig. 1 would be part of a special purpose computer. Time sharing techniques are usually employed so that one computer may be used to close the loop for digital servos. ■ ■

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A Methodology for Interference Prediction

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A description of a methodology for defining interference, constructing a model, and then utilizing coarse data as a means of predicting interference.

THE ULTIMATE goal of interference-prediction techniques is to foresee the occurrence or absence of man-made interference in a system, prior to its development and construction, by evaluating its design characteristics. An ideal interference-prediction technique should provide design and system engineers with a set of rules for placing devices in space and frequency and controlling their operation so that an interference-free situation results. Although the current capability of interference specialists fall somewhat short of this target, several promising approaches, one of which is described, are being developed and steadily improved.

Definition of Interference

In attempting to predict the extent of interference which may occur in a system (or device), it is first necessary to determine an adequate definition of what is meant by the occurrence of interference in that system. A widely accepted general definition is that interference occurs at a particular point in a system when the performance at that point is degraded more than some tolerable amount. This basis for defining interference inherently involves some measure of system performance, so that there may be many different measures of interference which could be utilized in a given situation.

In a binary digital communication system, for instance, a conventional measure of performance is the probability of error in a single digit, and

when this probability reaches a certain level, say 10^{-3} , interference may be said to have occurred.

Once an acceptable definition of interference has been determined, it is convenient conceptually (if not mathematically) to construct a model of the system in terms of parameters which reflect the way in which the system behaves and its performance in the expected environment.

For a system of transmitters and receivers, the problem of determining this model could take the following general form. A function, f_k , of certain system and environmental characteristics, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n , must be determined such that if f_k takes on any value within a region R_{kI} , then interference occurs in the k^{th} receiver; otherwise interference does not occur in the k^{th} receiver. In symbols,

$$f_k(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \begin{cases} \in R_{kI} = \text{Interference occurs in} \\ \text{the } k^{\text{th}} \text{ receiver} \\ \notin R_{kI} = \text{Interference does not} \\ \text{occur in the } k^{\text{th}} \text{ receiver} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Each region of interference, R_{kI} , can be determined, as mentioned, from a designation of intolerable system degradation due to the presence of undesired signals at the output of the k^{th} receiver. The characteristics $\{x_i\}$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$) are parameters which describe portions of a system of transmitters, receivers, antennas, or the environment in which the system is operating. For convenience, the function f_k can be determined so that R_{kI} consists of values of f_k less than some threshold, A_k . The parameter A_k is sometimes

called the "performance threshold," or "interference criterion."

Initial Prediction Steps

The parameters $\{x_i\}$ are the fundamental building blocks of the model and must be sought as soon as an acceptable definition of interference is determined. This quest must be conducted carefully; otherwise it may produce only a paper prediction capability, that is, a capability of answering interference questions only if certain things are known, which are never known in practice.

According to the example given above for a digital communication system, it is only necessary to determine the probability of single digit error and compare this figure with the performance threshold. Thus, the error probability is the only

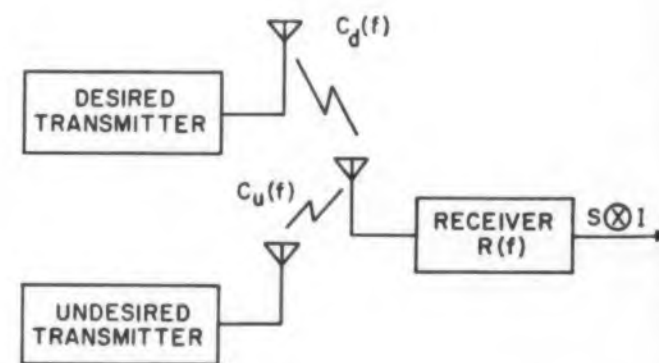


Fig. 1. Idealized model of an interference problem encountered in a communications system.

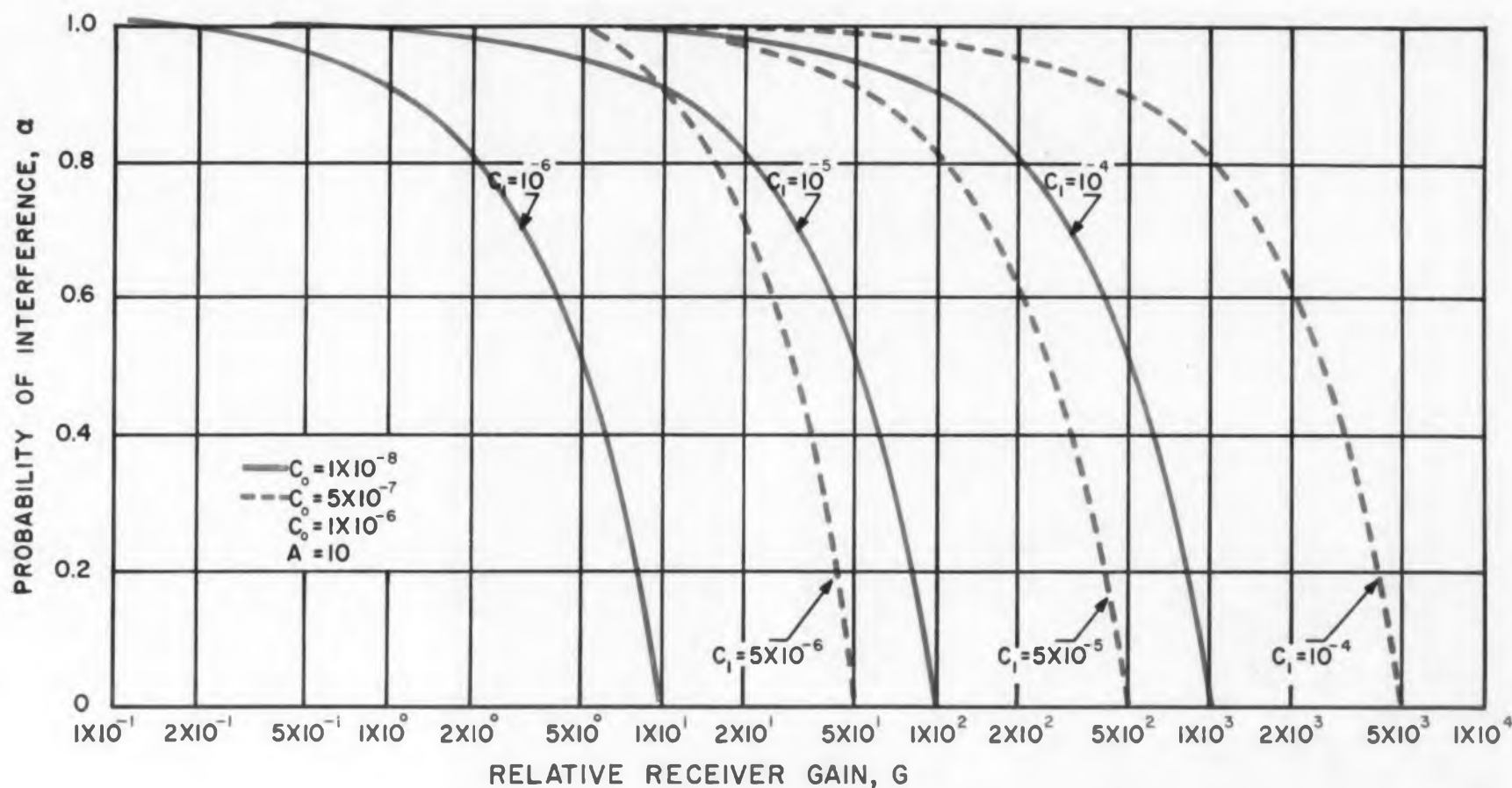


Fig. 2. Probability of interference as a function of relative receiver gain.

parameter required for predicting interference. Naturally, this parameter is not known per se and therefore the search for parameters, the x_j 's in Eq. 1, must proceed under certain constraints; namely, each of the x_j 's should be determinable through either theoretical calculations, estimation on the basis of past experience, or measurement through some known technique. These "conditions of adequacy" which must be satisfied are many times quite difficult to meet.

Usually a detailed design of the system must be studied, and a long list of characteristics set up before the performance of the system can be determined. In addition to intimate knowledge of the way in which a system handles desired (and undesired) inputs, a rather detailed description of the undesired signals which could lead to interference must be obtained.

Idealized Model

As an illustration of a rather idealized model, consider the diagram in Fig. 1 which depicts a communication system consisting of a transmitter, transmitting antenna, receiving antenna, and receiver. Also shown in the diagram is an undesired transmitter with its antenna. Assume, for example, that interference will occur at the receiver whenever the total power measured at the output of the receiver, with the desired transmitter turned off, exceeds by some stated amount the total output with the desired transmitter turned on. This definition of interference is widely used and can

be expressed in symbols as

$$\frac{S \otimes I}{I} < A \Rightarrow \text{Interference Occurs} \quad (2)$$

where

$S \otimes I$ = the power at the receiver output with the desired and undesired transmitters turned on.

I = the power at the receiver output with the desired transmitter turned off.

A = the threshold which defines the interference region.

As with the probability of single digit error, this power ratio can conveniently be learned prior to installation of the communications system in the presence of the undesired transmitter only through measurement or calculation of other subordinate parameters. If the passage of signals from the output of the two transmitters to the output of the receiver can be considered a linear operation, then the interference model in Eq. 2 can be written as

$$\frac{S}{I} < A \Rightarrow \text{Interference Occurs} \quad (3)$$

where

$$S \begin{cases} = \text{the total receiver output power with only} \\ \text{the desired transmitter turned on.} \\ = \int S_D(f) C_D(f) R(f) df \end{cases}$$

$$I \begin{cases} = \text{the total receiver output power with only} \\ \text{the undesired transmitter turned on.} \\ = \int S_u(f) C_u(f) R(f) df \end{cases}$$

The functions $S_D(f)$ and $S_u(f)$ denote desired and undesired transmitter output spectra, $C_D(f)$ and $C_u(f)$ denote the coupling between the output terminals of the receiving antenna and the input terminals of the desired and undesired transmitter antennas, respectively, and $R(f)$ represents the gain and selectivity curve for the receiver.

For many situations, these functions will be known or determined as a matter of course in system design. Of course, the assumption of linearity everywhere is a severe departure from reality and therefore subject to question. For instance, most receivers inherently involve non-linear stages for detection. However, for certain types of undesired signals, the output signal-to-noise ratio will very nearly be the same as that of the last if stage, since this stage is narrow band. Therefore the linear model can reasonably be applied in some situations.

Classification of Data

Unfortunately, even when an adequate description of a system, its interference susceptibility and environment, are available in terms of appropriate parameters, the timely prediction of interference may still constitute a large problem. Some of the parameters, while determinable at some time in

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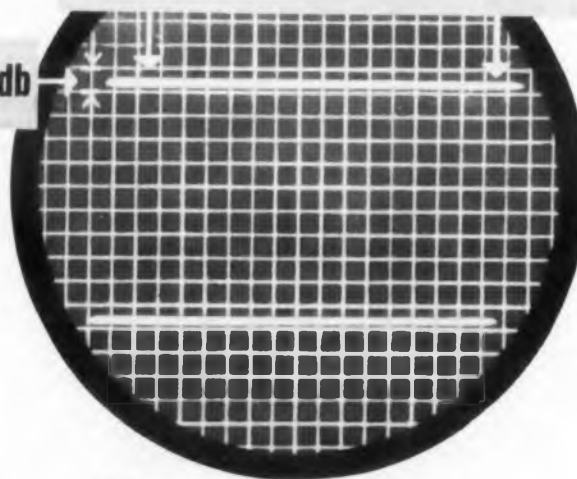
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the development of a system, may not become known precisely until a short time before interference would actually be experienced, that is, too late to be of value except to indicate the points at which the interference could be controlled. It is important, therefore, to utilize whatever information may be available in the way which provides the best current estimate of the interference to be expected at any stage of design.

In order to simplify the treatment of equivocal or exiguous data, it may be possible to classify the different ways in which any member of the set of parameters $\{x_i\}$ may be known. One method is to partition the possible information which may be obtained on each of the parameters into three types:

- (1) The value of the parameter given exactly.
- (2) Probability distribution of the parameter given.
- (3) Several (or a range of) possible values of the parameter given.

Once the type of data available on each parameter is known, it is possible to state the questions which may be answered using this data. If considerable Type 1 information is available on the $\{x_i\}$ in a complicated model, then most questions dealing with interference (concerning the extent, transmitter source, particular transmitter harmonic, etc.) can be answered. If only Type 2 data is available, then questions can only be answered in probabilistic terms. Type 3 information, on the other hand, could be used to obtain accurate answers, but would require considerable effort to examine all possible combinations of values for the $\{x_i\}$.

In the design stage, mostly information of Types 2 and 3 is available; sometimes, decisions are reached on the basis of average or extreme values, using these values as if they actually represent Type 1 information. The use of conservative "worst case" values, or the well known "educated guess" for nominal parameter values is not uncommon at all. This approach has many pitfalls, notably the fact that the average value of a function of random variables is not the same as the function of the average values of the variables. Also the use of worst values can easily result in costly over-design. It is possible, however, to retain, and indeed emphasize, the equivocation of data when presenting an answer to a problem based on this data.

An estimate of a parameter, x_j , when accompanied by the estimated accuracy, sometimes constitutes enough information to ascribe to the true value of the x_j a particular random behavior. Once the particular random variation can be established for each x_j represented by Type 2 information, in principle the random variation in the function f_k can be determined. A probability of interference can then be obtained by noting the

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percentage of cases f_k exceeds the threshold, A_p .

As an illustration, consider again the linear model described by Eq. 3, with the assumptions

$$\begin{aligned} C_D(f) &= C_D \\ C_u(f) &= C_u \\ B_D &= S_D(f)R(f)df \\ B_u &= S_u(f)R(f)df \end{aligned}$$

Eq. 3 can now be rewritten as

$$AB_u C_u > B_D C_D \Rightarrow \text{Interference Occurs} \quad (4)$$

Suppose, for example, that the parameters A and C_D are known precisely, only the maximum and minimum values (C_1 and C_0) of C_u are known, and it is desired that minimum value of the relative gain in the receiver, $G = B_D/B_u$, be determined such that the probability of interference is no more than α . Presuming that all values of C_u between C_0 and C_1 are considered equally likely to occur, then the probability of interference α , can be written as

$$\alpha = \begin{cases} = P_r \left\{ C_u > \frac{C_D G}{A} \right\} \\ = 1 \text{ if } C_0 > \frac{C_D G}{A} \\ = 0 \text{ if } C_1 < \frac{C_D G}{A} \\ = \frac{1}{A} \left(\frac{A C_1 - C_D G}{C_1 - C_0} \right) \text{ if } C_0 \leq \frac{C_D G}{A} \leq C_1 \end{cases}$$

The minimum acceptable relative gain in the receiver, G_m , can therefore be written as

$$G_m = \frac{A}{C_D} [C_1(1-\alpha) + \alpha C_0].$$

The curves in Fig. 2 show the relationship between the probability of interference and the relative gain in the receiver for certain values of the maximum and minimum undesired antenna coupling. The uncertainty attached to the parameter C_u is reflected in the way these curves answer the interference question initially stated.

This example, while idealized, serves to illustrate the methodology of defining interference, constructing a model, and utilizing coarse data as a means of predicting interference. Its application to several communications and radar systems has pointed up the current lack of adequate models for describing the passage of signals through devices and the predominance of equivocal and sketchy data on environment. Both of these areas are receiving more attention, and the current anxiety over potential interference problems will very likely be alleviated through the development of new tools for analysis and description. Meanwhile, coarse techniques such as the one outlined above can be used to avoid many situations in which interference could arise. ■ ■



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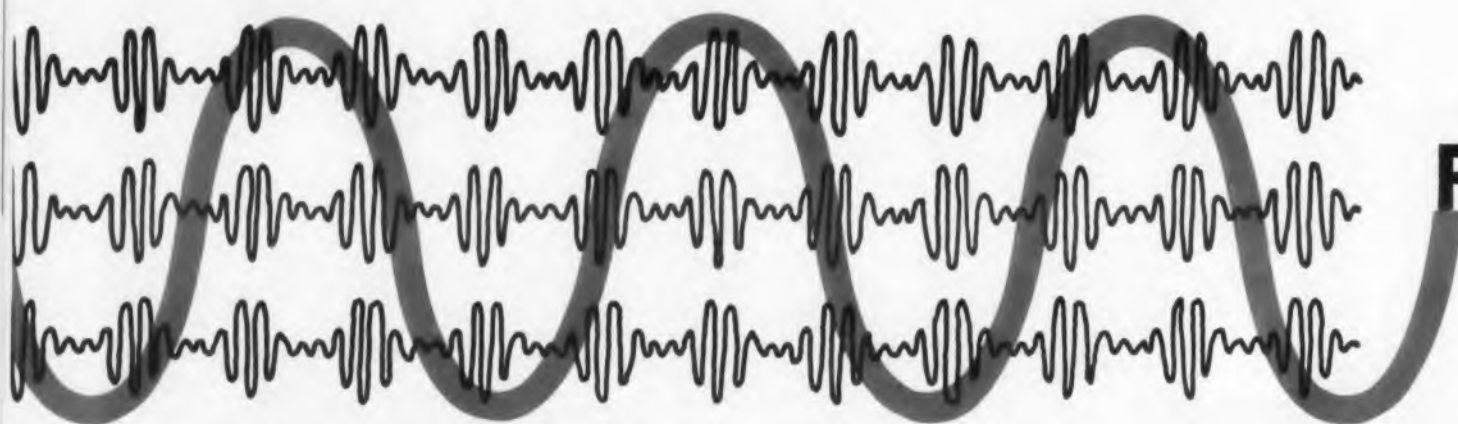
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Prediction Of Receiver Intermodulation From Simple Measurements

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Nonlinearities in the input stages of a receiver produce intermodulation products when undesired signals are picked up. By inserting data from simple measurements into the nomographs presented, the frequency and tolerable limits of undesired signals can be determined to aid in the selection of operating frequencies for communication systems.

INTERMODULATION is one of the most serious forms of internally generated interference in communications receivers. The seriousness of the problem results from the fact that reception of a desired signal may be obscured by the intermodulation of other signals which are several channels away. Therefore, the possibilities of intermodulation should be considered whenever operating frequencies are being selected for communications equipment, especially if the portion of the frequency spectrum under consideration is already crowded.

Theory and Prediction

Whenever two or more signals are mixed in a nonlinear device, additional frequency components are generated. The input stage, or stages,

or a radio receiver usually have sufficient nonlinear action to produce these new frequency components, or intermodulation products, from undesired signals entering the receiver. If the frequency of one of these products falls at the tuned frequency of the receiver, it is amplified and detected in exactly the same manner as if it were a co-channel signal. It is evident that an intermodulation product falling at or very close to the frequency of desired reception may render reception impossible due to heterodynes and cross-modulation with the desired signal.

The general frequency relationship that is fulfilled when intermodulation occurs at the tuned frequency of the receiver is

$$f_o = |mf_a \pm nf_b \pm pf_c \pm \dots|, \quad (1)$$

where f_o is the tuned frequency; f_a, f_b, f_c, \dots are the frequencies of the interfering signals present at the input; and the coefficients m, n, p, \dots are integers (0, 1, 2, 3, etc.). The order of the intermodulation product is defined as the sum of the coefficients ($m + n + p \dots$).

Intermodulation caused by only two signals is by far the most prevalent type. Furthermore, only second- and third-order intermodulation have been found to cause significant receiver interference, and these are significant only for the negative sign in the frequency expression shown above. Then the most important forms of intermodulation are defined by

$$f_o = f_b - f_a \text{ (second order), and} \quad (2)$$

$$f_o = 2f_a - f_b \text{ (third order).} \quad (3)$$

In these expressions f_b is taken to be the higher of the two interfering signal frequencies. The second-order expression shows that either f_a or f_b , but not both, may be close to f_o ; but for third-order intermodulation it can be seen that both f_a and f_b may be near f_o .

Measurement Setup

The conventional laboratory test for receiver intermodulation uses the setup shown in Fig. 1. With the receiver tuned to a certain frequency, f_o , the signal generators are tuned to a pair of frequencies, f_{a1} and f_{b1} , which fits Eq. 2 or 3. Then the generator output voltages, E_a and E_b , are adjusted to produce a specified receiver output indication. E_a and E_b are maintained equal for the measurement. The measurement may be repeated

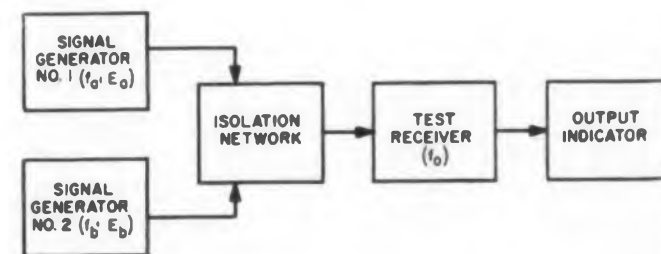


Fig. 1. Test setup for measuring receiver intermodulation characteristics.

for various frequencies f_a and f_b , with the specified receiver output indication as a fixed parameter. The set of points obtained defines a curve which indicates the intermodulation characteristics of the receiver as a function of the separation between the interfering signal frequencies and the receiver-tuned frequency.

It is necessary in making these measurements to insure that the signal generators themselves are not contributing to the intermodulation. Most commercial generators, when their outputs are connected directly in parallel, have large enough internally generated intermodulation products to cause erroneous test results. For this reason it is advisable to provide rf isolation between the two generators.

In the frequency range below vhf, a bridge network may be used as an isolation device. For vhf and uhf, a tuned transmission line device, such as a hybrid ring, would be used. Either the bridge or the hybrid ring can provide as much as 40 to 60 db of isolation with a 6- to 10-db insertion loss. The hybrid ring has a disadvantage, however, that it is a narrow-band device and can be used only over a limited frequency range.

Typical Curves

Fig. 2 shows second- and third-order intermodulation curves that are representative of those obtained by the procedure described. The output parameter for these curves is a 6-db audio $(S+N)/N$ ratio, but the curves would be identical in shape even if some other output parameter had been chosen. To obtain these data, one signal generator was unmodulated, and the other was modulated 30 per cent at 400 cps.

A large number of hf and vhf receivers, both am and fm, of various types have been tested, and it has been found that all have smooth intermodulation curves of the characteristic shapes illustrated in Fig. 2. The absolute voltage levels, of course, vary from set to set, and the slopes of the curves of two different receiver types may be somewhat different.

Fig. 3 represents a typical plot of the intermodulation characteristics of two different receivers tuned to the same frequency. It is seen that receiver "A" is more susceptible to intermodulation at small values of Δf than receiver "B." However, the "close-in" slope of the curve for receiver "A" is steeper, and receiver "A" is less susceptible for large Δf than is receiver "B." It would logically be concluded that receiver "A" is the better of the two with respect to intermodulation, other things being equal.

In the practical use of curves of this type to predict intermodulation characteristics for a particular receiver or to compare receivers in this respect, a consideration of the close-in slopes and asymptotic levels is generally sufficient. These are

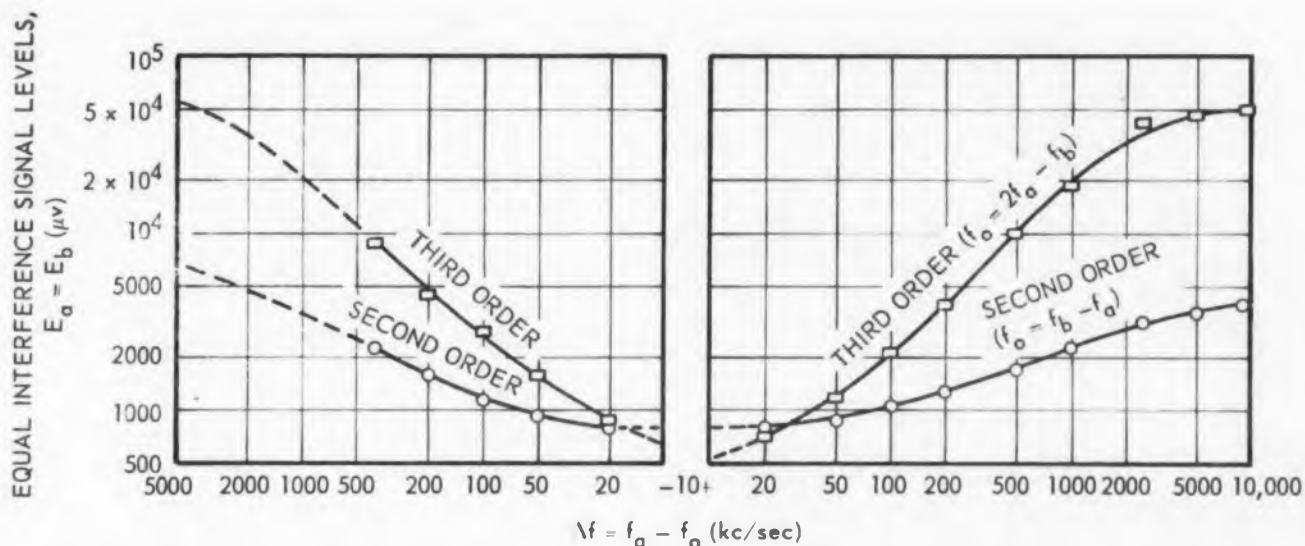


Fig. 2. Receiver intermodulation for 6 db $(S+N)/N$ ratio for an am receiver tuned to $f_0 = 10,000$ mc.

indicated in Fig. 3 by dashed lines. It is necessary to measure only three points on each curve to adequately define its slope and asymptote. For example, the slopes and asymptotes of the second- and third-order curves of Fig. 2 could have been defined by points measured at $\Delta f = \pm 500$ kc, and ± 4000 kc.

It has also been found that the intermodulation characteristics of a particular receiver vary little over a wide range of tuned frequencies. Thus, if the characteristics of a set as measured at a tuned frequency of, say, 10 mc, these data may be applied to estimate the characteristics from perhaps 5 to 20 mc with good accuracy.

The single set of curves obtained for equal interfering signal levels can also be used to estimate the effect of unequal signal levels. A second-order

intermodulation product is produced almost entirely by the second-order or square-law nonlinearity of the vacuum tube, or tubes, in which it is generated. (Higher even orders of nonlinearity also make contributions, but these are usually negligible.) Similarly, third-order intermodulation is contributed mainly by the third-order nonlinearity, although negligible contributions are made by higher odd-order nonlinearities. Therefore, to excellent approximations,

$$E_2 \propto E_a E_b \text{ (second order), and} \quad (4)$$

$$E_3 \propto E_a^2 E_b \text{ (third order),} \quad (5)$$

where E_2 and E_3 are the second- and third-order intermodulation product voltages, respectively, and E_a and E_b are the voltages of the signals f_a and f_b .

The equations given above are borne out very

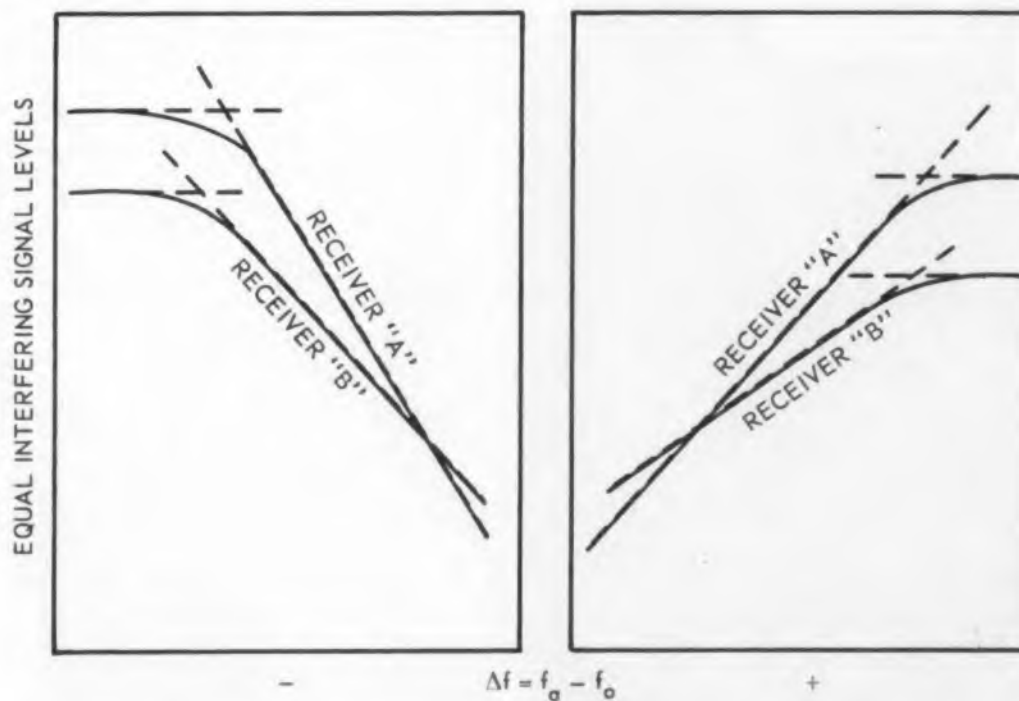


Fig. 3. Comparison between intermodulation characteristics of two different receivers.

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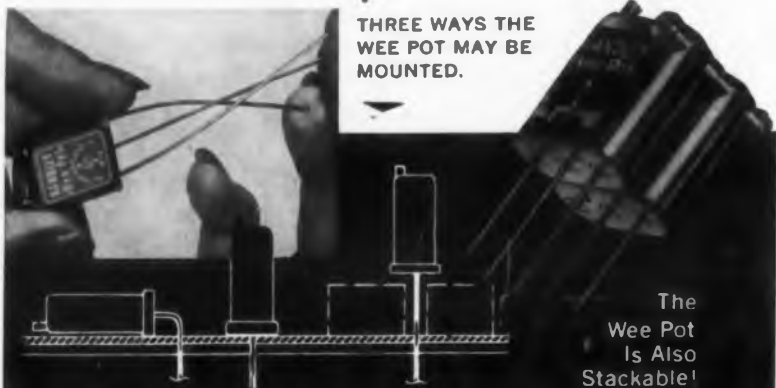
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are included on the nomographs for convenient reference and use. The two sets of scales are directly compatible if the impedance level is 50 ohms.

Practical Examples

The following numerical example is an illustration of one possible use of the nomographs. Suppose that it is desired to receive a signal at 11.420 mc whose estimated mean signal strength is 100 μ v. Assume that Fig. 2 represents the maxi-

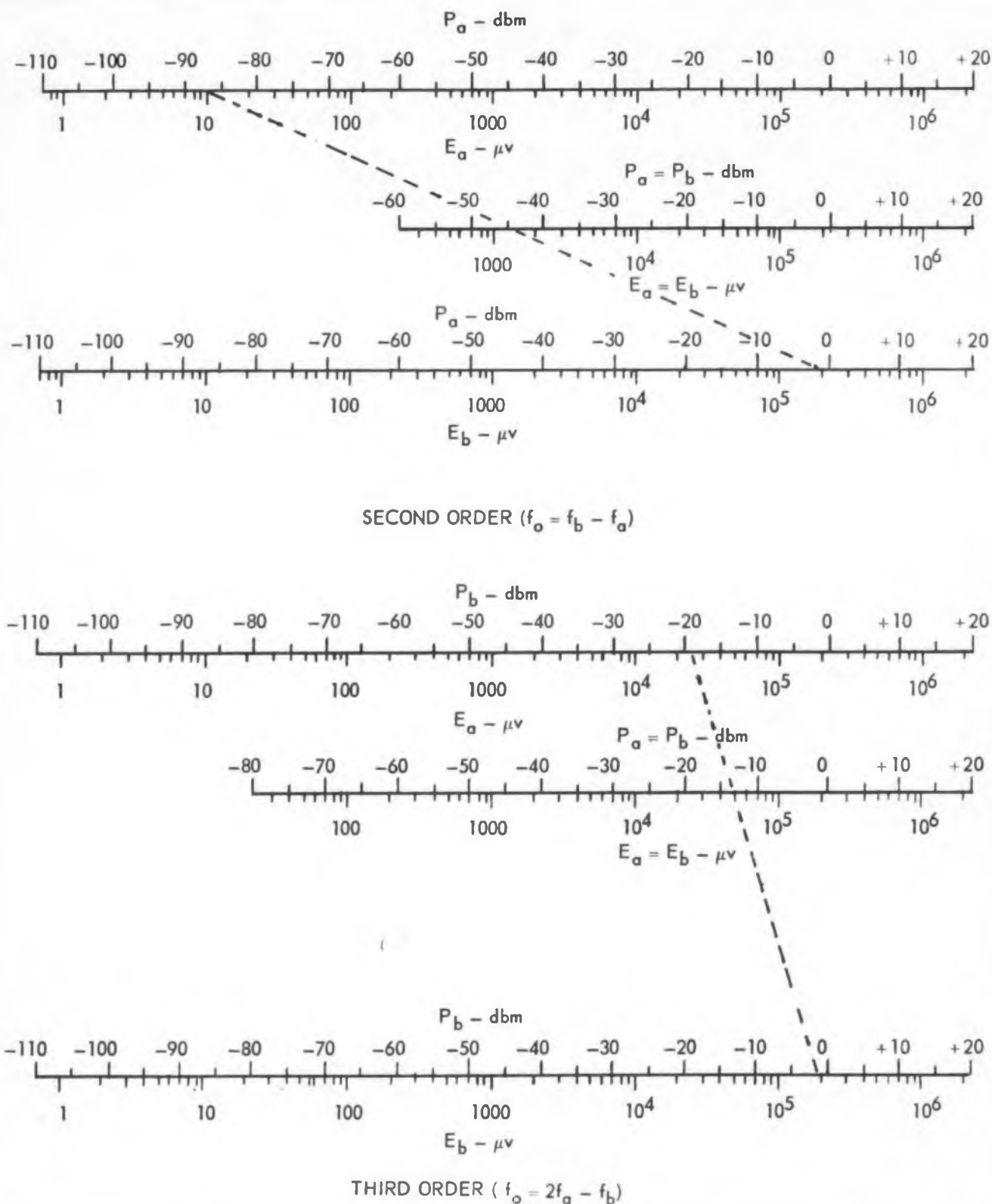


Fig. 4. Nomographs offer a rapid and simple solution to intermodulation prediction problems. Power scales as well as voltage scales are included to further decrease calculation time.

imum tolerable amount of intermodulation interference to a desired signal of 100 μv level, at a receiver tuned frequency 10.000 mc. (This set of data is sufficiently accurate since the tuned frequency of interest is close to 10 mc.) Now suppose that a strong nearby transmitter operating at 23.140 mc supplies a 200,000 μv signal into the receiving antenna.

The problem is to determine (1) the frequencies of signals in the range below 30 mc which, when combined with the strong local signal, would produce second- and third-order intermodulation products at 11.420 mc; and (2) the level of each of these signals that would produce the maximum tolerable amount of intermodulation interference.

To solve the problem, first consider second-order intermodulation. Substituting $f_o = 11.420$ mc and $f_b = 23.140$ mc into Eq. 2, $f_a = 11.720$ mc. The next step is to use the graph to find the equal-signal level that produces the specified amount of intermodulation. For $f_a = 11.720$ mc, $\Delta f = f_a - f_o = 300$ kc. The curve shows the level for this value of Δf to be 1400 μv . Now, referring to the first nomograph of Fig. 4, line up with the points $E_b = 200,000 \mu\text{v}$ and $E_a = E_b = 1400 \mu\text{v}$, and find the third point to be $E_o = 10 \mu\text{v}$.

Proceeding through the same steps for third-order intermodulation, it is found that (1) $f_o = 17.280$ mc, (2) $\Delta f = f_a - f_o = 5860$ kc, (3) $E_a = E_b = 50,000 \mu\text{v}$, and (4) $E_o = 25,000 \mu\text{v}$.

Summarizing the results: (1) when mixed with the local signal, a signal of 10 μv at 11.720 mc produces the maximum tolerable level of second-order intermodulation at f_o ; (2) a signal at 17.280 mc of 25,000 μv amplitude produces the maximum tolerable level of third-order intermodulation.

The preceding example not only serves the purpose of illustrating a technique; it also illustrates that intermodulation of a serious nature may be caused by a weak signal, even weaker than the signal of desired reception, in the presence of a strong companion signal. It is therefore apparent that intermodulation should be considered in any comprehensive study of receiver information. ■ ■

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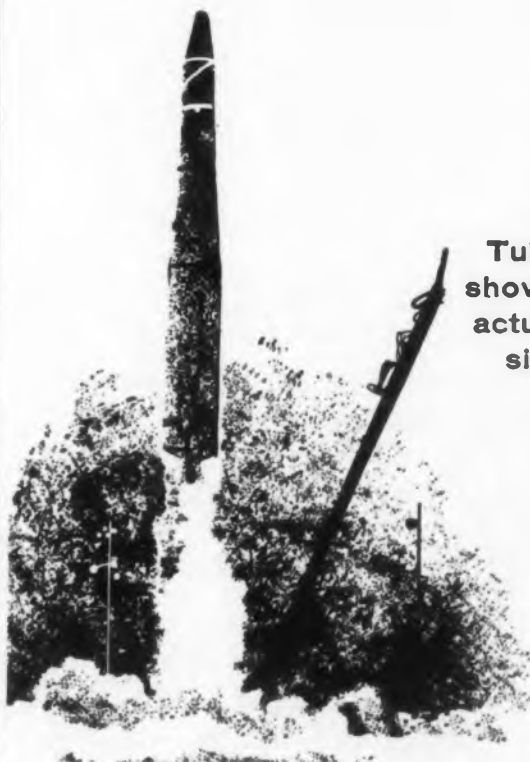


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Prediction Of Transmitter Intermodulation From Simple Measurements

The radiated intermodulation spectrum from a transmitter, due to another nearby transmitter, can be determined before an installation is made. By using data from a few simple measurements to predict interference levels, expensive relocation and reassignment of transmitters can be avoided.

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THE RADIATED intermodulation spectrum from a transmitter, due to another transmitter operated in close proximity, is often a severe interference source. Intermodulation products generated in a transmitter are a function of circuit parameters such as tube characteristics, output passband, tube bias, B-plus voltage, and interfering signal frequency and level.

Accurate prediction of intermodulation product amplitude on a theoretical basis would be extremely difficult since there are many variables involved, most of which will vary with transmitter type. However, if intermodulation levels for a particular transmitter type are known for a few frequency spacings (spacing between the desired signal and the interfering signal) for each odd product at two different interfering signal levels, constants may be computed or curves constructed from which the levels of intermodulation products may be determined for any interfering signal level. Even-order-products are not considered since, in general, they are considerably removed from the transmitter passband and negligibly small in amplitude.

Intermodulation-Product Generation

Mixing and intermodulation may occur in any nonlinear device. Power output stages in a transmitter are usually nonlinear devices thereby becoming efficient generators of intermodulation products. Because of the variation of parameters in this stage from transmitter type to transmitter type, it is difficult to utilize theoretical considerations alone for IPL (intermodulation-product level) prediction. However, experimental measurements have shown that it is feasible to utilize a small amount of experimental information to pre-

dict the intermodulation-product frequency and IPL with reasonable accuracy.

Types of Intermodulation Products

Intermodulation products of two types may be generated within a transmitter output stage. The first type, which may be called primary-mix intermodulation, is generated by the mixing of fundamentals and harmonics of the *DS* (desired signal) and the *IS* (interfering signal) which already exist. The second type is produced by the mixing of fundamentals and harmonics generated within the *DS* transmitter, or by the mixing of harmonics of the *DS* transmitter and harmonics of the *IS* transmitter both of which are generated in the output stage of the *DS* transmitter.

Either or both of these types may be identified by

$$f_I = f_a + \frac{(N+1)}{2} (f_i - f_a) \quad (1)$$

or

$$F_I = f_a + \frac{(N-1)}{2} (f_i - f_a) \quad (2)$$

where f_I is the intermodulation product frequency, f_a is the desired or carried frequency, f_i is the *IS* frequency and N is the product order. These equations will yield two products for each order, one of which is greater in frequency than the *DS* and one which is less in frequency than the desired signal *DS*.

Intermodulation Measurement

Serious difficulties may be experienced in transmitter intermodulation measurements if the re-

ceiver used has unsatisfactory intermodulation and desensitization characteristics. This difficulty is less serious if a receiver with a small bandwidth and a large dynamic range is used. Even a receiver of this type may have undesirable characteristics; however, the difficulty may be overcome by determining the signal level at which serious desensitization and/or intermodulation occur in the receiver. An attenuator is then used at the receiver input to prevent exceeding the signal level thus determined. It is then simply a matter of adding the attenuation used to the measured level of the intermodulation product in order to obtain the true intermodulation-product level.

In order to use the high value of attenuation required, it is necessary to couple a high-level signal into the *DS* transmitter which is sufficient to produce high-amplitude intermodulation products.

A block diagram of a test arrangement which is convenient to use for these measurements is shown in Fig. 1. As previously discussed, the equipment used in the setup determines the value of coupling used; the IPL generated must be high enough so that the dynamic range of the test receiver will permit measurements with large attenuation in the receiver input line. Tests performed on equipment used in this setup showed that essentially no errors were introduced in intermodulation measurements when the *IS* level coupled into the *DS* transmitter was 40 db or less below the desired signal. Greater attenuation, however, resulted in too little attenuation in the receiver signal lead; this caused some error due to receiver desensitization and/or intermodulation within the receiver.

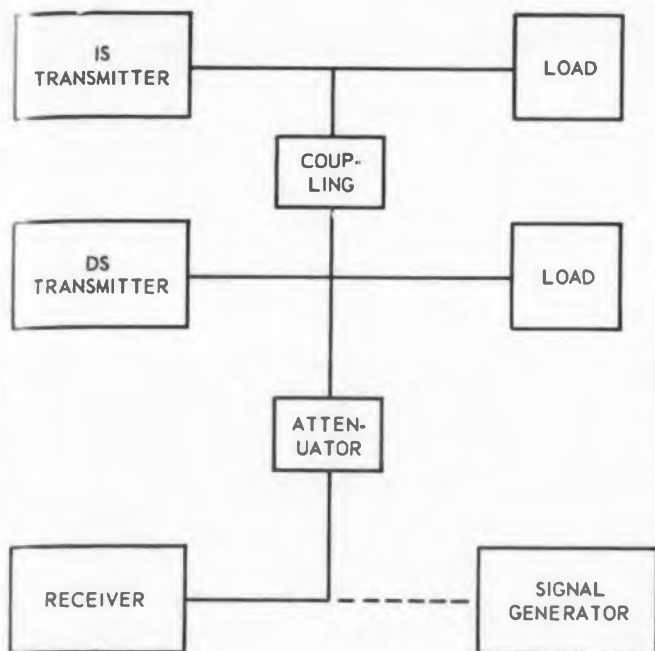


Fig. 1. Block diagram of test setup for measuring transmitter intermodulation.

Prediction of IPL

Experimental results have shown that amplitudes of odd-order intermodulation products bear a linear relationship with the IS level when plotted on a log-log scale. However, they do not bear the same relationship for each transmitter type, or for different signal spacings. This is understandable since the IPL will depend on circuit parameters and the output passband.

The average curve of third-order IPL (P_I) versus interfering signal level (P_i) for different transmitter types will have the same slope. That is, the third-order product on the low side (where $f_i < f_a$ and $f_i > f_a$) has essentially the same slope for all transmitter types tested. The third-order product curves on the high side (where $f_i > f_a$ and $f_i > f_a$) have essentially the same slope for all transmitter types tested; however, the slope of the low third-order product curve is different from the slope of the high third-order product curve.

Unfortunately the fifth, seventh, etc. products are not so well behaved. However, in many cases the third-order product is the only one of importance since the level of higher order products is usually 60 db or more below the desired signal.

The amplitude of odd-order intermodulation products may be described by

$$P_I = C_I + k P_i \quad (3)$$

where P_I is the intermodulation-product level in dbm, C_I is the intermodulation constant in db, and k is the above mentioned slope. This constant k for third-order product on the carrier side is usually equal to 1, and for the third-order product on the IS side is usually equal to 2. The value of k for higher order products varies appreciably.

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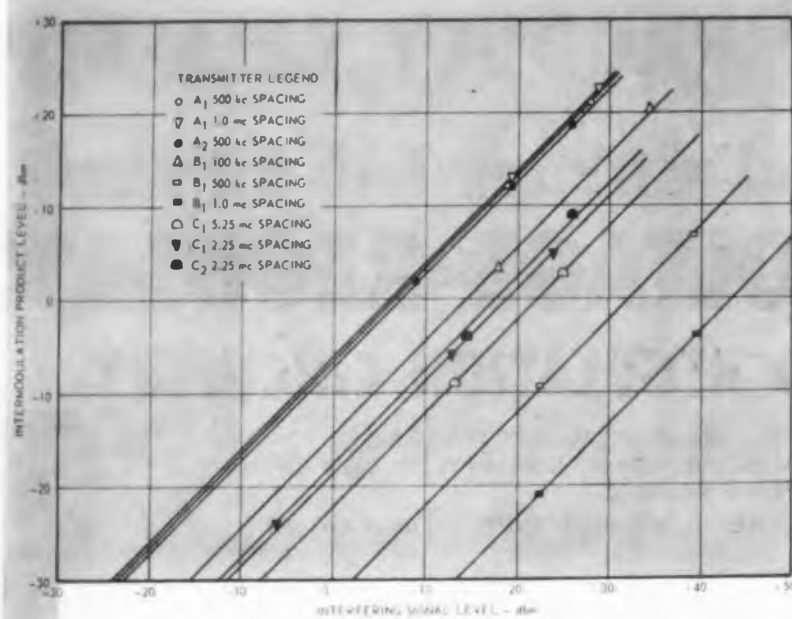


Fig. 2. (left) Intermodulation product level vs interfering signal level (third order low).

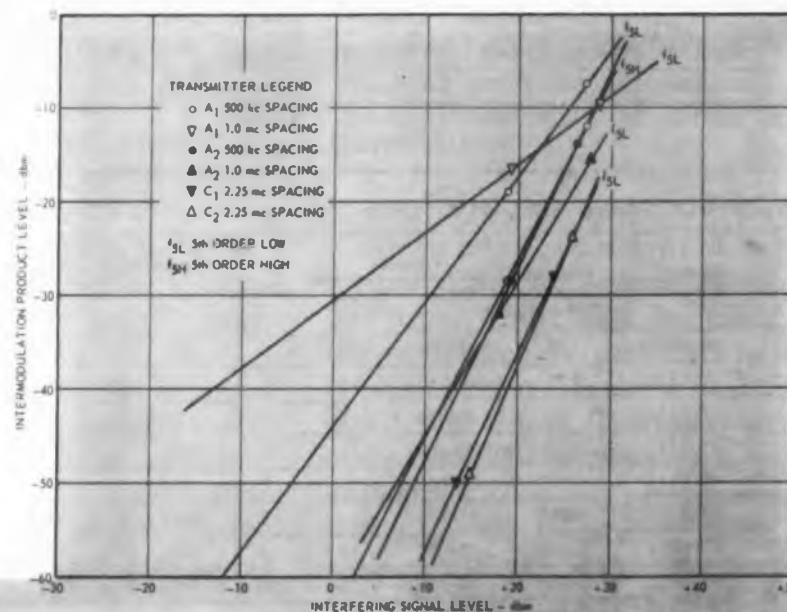


Fig. 4. (left) Intermodulation product level vs interfering signal level (fifth order).

Fig. 3. (below) Intermodulation product level vs interfering signal level (third order high).

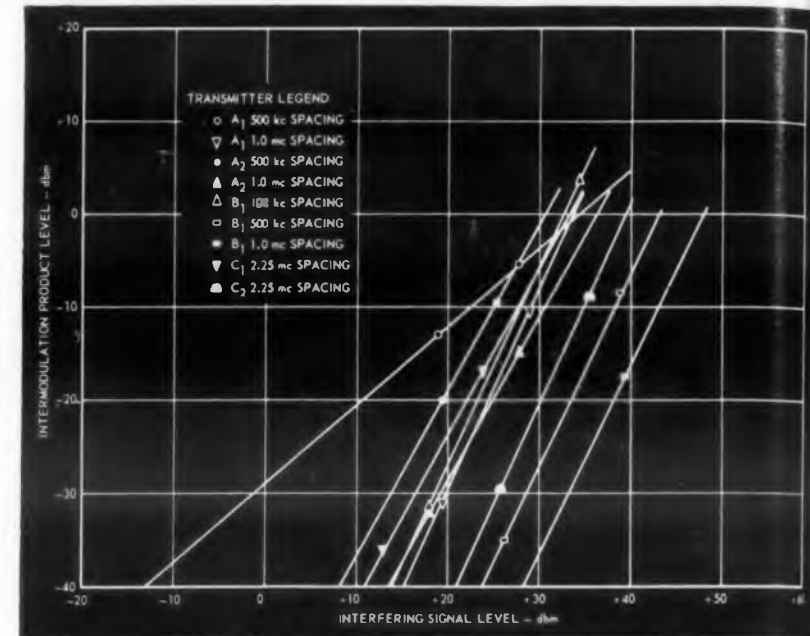


Table 1. Typical values of transmitter intermodulation constants.

| Transmitter | P _d (dbm) | P _i (dbm) | Spacing | Third Order Low | | Third Order High | | Fifth Order Low | | Fifth Order High | |
|----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------|------------------------|-------|------------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|---|
| | | | | C _i (db) | k | C _i (db) | k | C _i (db) | k | C _i (db) | k |
| 10 mc | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A ₂ | 59.5 | 26.5 | 500 kc | -7 | 1.0 | -49.3 | 1.5 | -68.8 | 2.07 | - | - |
| A ₂ | 59.5 | 19.5 | 500 kc | -7 | 1.0 | -49.3 | 1.5 | -68.8 | 2.07 | - | - |
| A ₁ | 59.5 | 29.0 | 1000 kc | -6.5 | 1.0 | -73.1 | 2.16 | | | | |
| A ₁ | 59.5 | 19.5 | 1000 kc | -6.5 | 1.0 | -73.1 | 2.16 | | | | |
| B ₁ | 56.6 | 34.5 | 100 kc | -15.2 | 1.03 | -70.0 | 2.13 | | | | |
| B ₁ | 57.9 | 18.0 | 100 kc | -15.2 | 1.03 | -70.0 | 2.13 | | | | |
| B ₁ | 59.0 | 39.3 | 500 kc | -31.1 | 0.965 | -90.4 | 2.08 | | | | |
| B ₁ | 57.8 | 22.5 | 500 kc | -31.1 | 0.965 | -90.4 | 2.08 | | | | |
| B ₁ | 56.8 | 39.5 | 1000 kc | -43.5 | 1.0 | --- | --- | | | | |
| B ₁ | 57.8 | 22.7 | 1000 kc | -43.5 | 1.0 | --- | --- | | | | |
| 161 mc | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C ₁ | 43.7 | 23.9 | 2.25 mc | -18.2 | 0.955 | -59.0 | 1.77 | | | | |
| C ₁ | 43.7 | 12.9 | 2.25 mc | -18.2 | 0.955 | -59.0 | 1.77 | | | | |
| C ₂ | 43.5 | 25.9 | 2.25 mc | -22.5 | 1.22 | -83.9 | 2.1 | | | | |
| C ₂ | 43.5 | 14.6 | 2.25 mc | -22.5 | 1.22 | -83.9 | 2.1 | | | | |

Average k for 3rd Order Low = 1.02
Average k for 3rd Order High = 1.96

Since C_i and k vary for each transmitter type and for each signal spacing, useful prediction of IPL requires the evaluation of these constants for each transmitter at each signal spacing likely to be encountered in their operation. Evaluation of k requires the measurement of the IPL for at least two known interfering signal levels for each signal spacing. The value of k is then determined by using the following equation

$$k = \frac{\Delta P_I}{\Delta P_i} = \frac{(P_i)_1 - (P_i)_2}{(P_I)_1 - (P_I)_2} \quad (4)$$

Using k thus calculated, C_i may be determined by using the relationship

$$C_i = (P_I)_1 - k (P_i)_1 \quad (5)$$

These constants may then be used to determine the IPL with any IS level for the particular signal spacing associated with them.

Calculated values of constants associated with several different transmitter types for various

signal spacings are shown in Table I. Graphs of the data, which indicate typical trends, are shown in Figs. 2, 3 and 4.

The third-order product on the carrier side, that is, the third-order product nearest the carrier, is always the highest in level regardless of whether the *IS* is higher or lower in frequency than the *DS*.

Typical Problem

The following example will illustrate the prediction method for a typical transmitter.

Data obtained from tests on transmitter C_I will be used in these calculations, where

$$\begin{aligned} (P_i)_1 &= 23.9, & (P_i)_2 &= 12.9, \\ (P_I)_1 &= 4.6, & (P_I)_2 &= -5.9, \\ f_i &= 163.25 \text{ mc} & \text{and} & f_d = 161 \text{ mc} \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$f_l = 161 - (3-1)(161 - 163.25) = 165.5 \text{ mc (high)}$$

and

$$f_l = 161 + (3-2)(161 - 163.25) = 158.75 \text{ mc (low)}$$

using Eqs. 1 and 2. These are the third-order product frequencies high and low. The intermodulation product levels used in this example are third-order low (third order on the *DS* side).

Eq. 4 gives

$$k = \frac{4.6 + 5.9}{23.9 - 12.9} = \frac{10.5}{11} = 0.995.$$

Eq. 5 gives

$$C_I = 4.6 - 0.995 (23.9) = -18.2.$$

Now assume an *IS* of 1-dbm level at 163.25-mc frequency, and it is desired to calculate the intermodulation-product level. Using Eq. 3

$$P_I = -18.2 + 0.995 (1) = -17.2 \text{ dbm.}$$

Reference to Fig. 2 will show that the value is a good approximation of the intermodulation-product level. ■ ■

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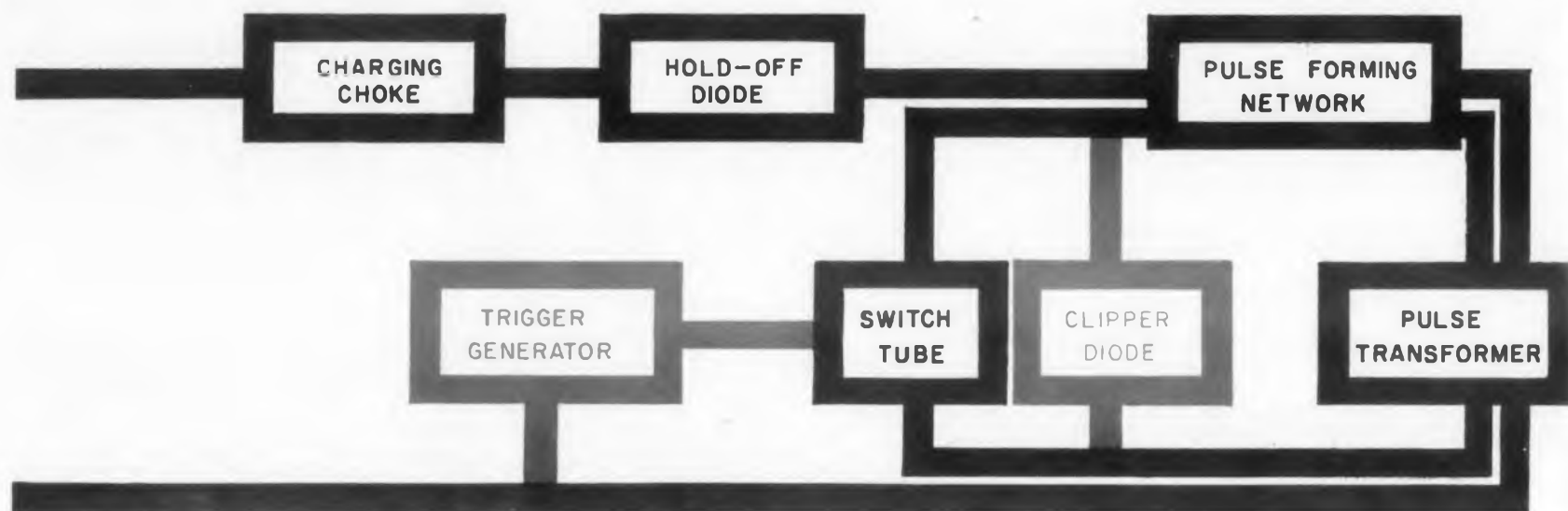
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How to Design a Line-Type Modulator

Part III—Associated Circuitry



The preceding articles of this series (ED, Feb. 17 and March 2, 1960), determined the major components of a line-type modulator, given only the microwave power required, pulse width and pulse repetition rate. Choice of the clipper diode and the trigger source have been left for this final article.

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THE BASIC modulator is depicted in Fig. 1a, and its equivalent circuit in Fig. 1b. The presence of an arcing load, such as a magnetron, can be represented by the closing of switch S_2 . When this takes place, a severe mismatch occurs between the load and the pulse-forming network (PFN). This mismatch results in the application of a large amount of inverse voltage to the thyatron and PFN (dotted line in Fig. 1c).

Because the process is cumulative¹, if no means exists to remove this inverse voltage, the final network voltage may be as high as seven times the power supply voltage. Voltage breakdown of the PFN, charging choke, pulse transformer and hydrogen thyatron can be the consequences of an unprotected line-type modulator. This is obviously a situation that should be avoided by the inclusion of a circuit designed to discharge the inverse voltage left across the PFN after a

short-circuit in the load. The clipper- or shunt-diode circuit performs this function.

Only vacuum diodes are considered here, although other methods have been proposed². The analysis of M. H. Zinn³ is used as a basis in finding a suitable diode. We shall continue the example begun in Part I, ED Feb. 17, 1960, p 42, for illustrative purposes.

Four factors are pointed out in Mr. Zinn's report as important in the choice of a diode for clipper service:

- 1—Peak inverse voltage
- 2—Peak current (under shorted load conditions)
- 3—Plate dissipation
- 4—Rms cathode current

Diode Peak Inverse Voltage

Inspection of Fig. 1 shows that the peak inverse voltage which the diode must withstand will simply be the peak forward voltage across the thyatron. The current through the diode will

depend in part upon the diode resistance R_d , in part upon the series resistance R_s , and in part upon the inverse voltage e_{pz1} , which the diode sees as forward voltage. The peak inverse voltage in turn, will depend upon the degree of mismatch between the PFN and the load. In the event that the load arcs during operation, the PFN must dissipate all its energy in the equivalent internal impedance R_m , of the modulator switch tube, and the stray circuit resistance. The relation (7),

$$e_{pz} = e_{py} \frac{Z_L - Z_N}{Z_L + Z_N}$$

given in Part I therefore becomes:

$$e_{pz1} = e_{py} \frac{R_m - Z_N}{R_m + Z_N} \quad (1)$$

since Z_L is zero, and is replaced by R_m .

Diode Peak Current

The value of peak current through the clipper

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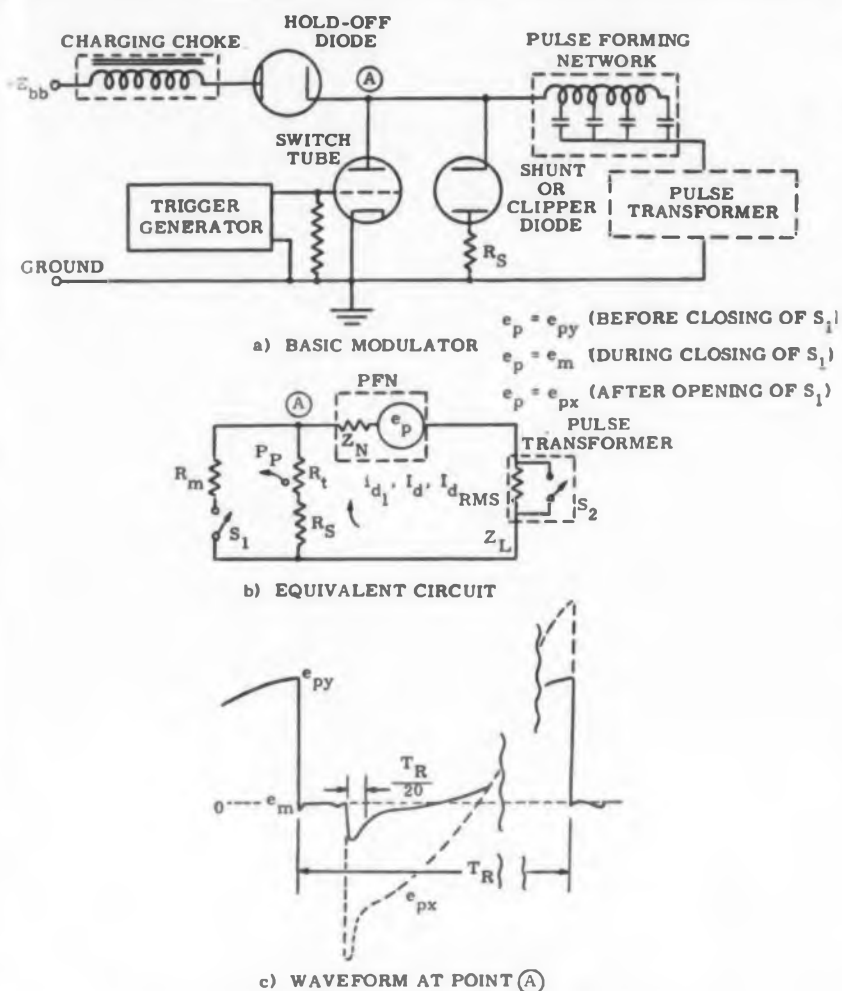


Fig. 1. Basic modulator circuit and its waveforms.

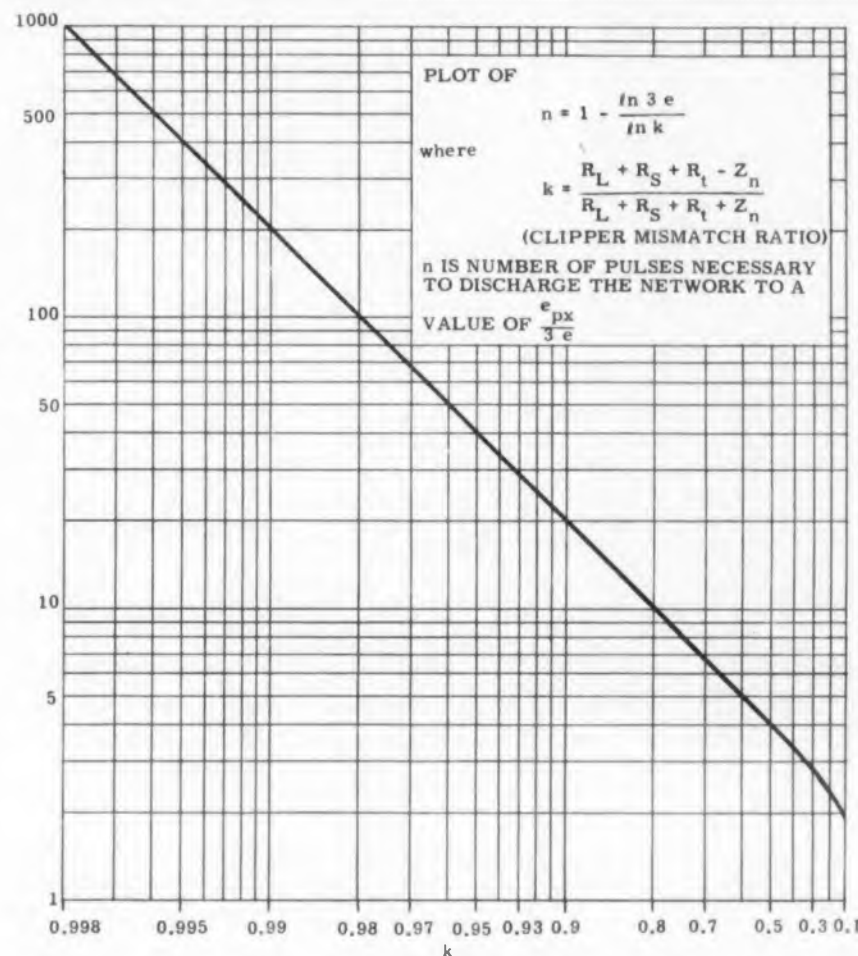


Fig. 2. Use this chart to find the limiting value of mismatch ratio (k) knowing the number of discharge pulses (n).

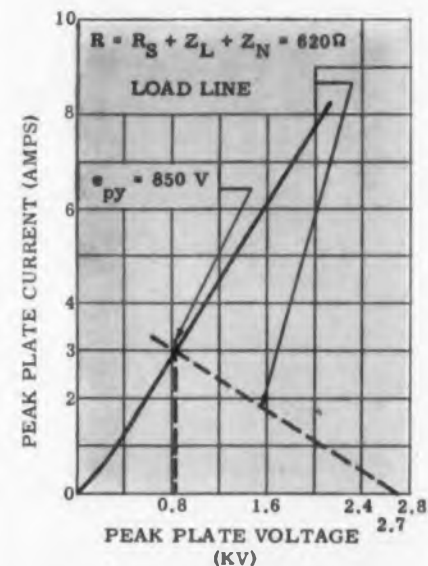


Fig. 3. Current-voltage characteristics of type 589 clipper diode.

diode i_{d1} †, for the first applied pulse can be expressed by the relation:

$$i_{d1} = \frac{e_{px1}}{R_s + R_t + Z_L + Z_N} \quad (2)$$

where R_t must be determined for the particular tube used. The value of i_{d1} must be calculated for the worst, or arcing, condition.

The first step consists of finding a limiting value of clipper diode mismatch factor k , where

$$k = \frac{(R_s + R_t) + Z_L - Z_N}{(R_s + R_t) + Z_L + Z_N} \quad (3)$$

This will determine the maximum value of $(R_s + R_t)$ for the clipper diode circuit, and an approximate value of clipper diode peak current i_{d1} necessary for a choice of tube.

A limiting value of k may be found by assuming that the network is to be discharged through the clipper diode circuit, to a value of $1/3e$ of e_{px1} , in a time corresponding to $1/20$ of the pulse repetition period. Since this discharge occurs in discrete pulse steps of duration t_p , the number

of steps required to discharge the PFN is

$$n t_p \leq \frac{1}{20} \frac{1}{prr}, \text{ or} \quad (4)$$

$$n \leq \frac{1}{20 du}$$

In the example, since $du = 0.00175$

$$n \leq \frac{1}{20 (0.00175)} = 29$$

From Fig. 2, the value of k , for n equal to 29 is found to be 0.93, and since:

$$(R_s + R_t)_{max} = \frac{1+k}{1-k} Z_N - Z_L \quad (5)$$

for this case:

$$(R_s + R_t)_{max} = \frac{1+0.93}{1-0.93} 55 - 0 = 1.5 \text{ k.}$$

Further, if the switch tube impedance R_m , is taken as one ohm, from Eq. 1,

$$e_{px1} = 2.8 \frac{1.0 - 55}{1.0 + 55} = 2.7 \text{ kv.}$$

Under these conditions, the peak current that the clipper diode passes is therefore:

$$i_{d1} = \frac{2,700}{1,500 + 0 + 55} = 1.7 \text{ amp}$$

from Eq. 2.

A diode that is capable of passing at least twice this amount of peak current, and withstanding the peak forward voltage e_{py} (which will appear as inverse voltage across the diode), may be chosen. The current rating should be twice that based upon the inverse voltage e_{px1} . This is because the so-called "inductive spike" is thought to be due to excessive inductance in the first section of the PFN⁴, and is a significant contributor to hydrogen thyatron plate dissipation.

Selecting a Diode Type

From these approximate ratings of the diode required, the 589 diode might be chosen. Its peak current-peak voltage characteristics are shown in Fig. 3. By limiting the current through the clipper diode to 3 amp under the worst condition ($Z_L = 0$), a factor of safety of 5 amp will be available to take care of the "inductive spike." This follows because the 589 can safely pass a peak cur-

†The subscript "d" refers to "diode". Zinn's notation is i_{d1} .

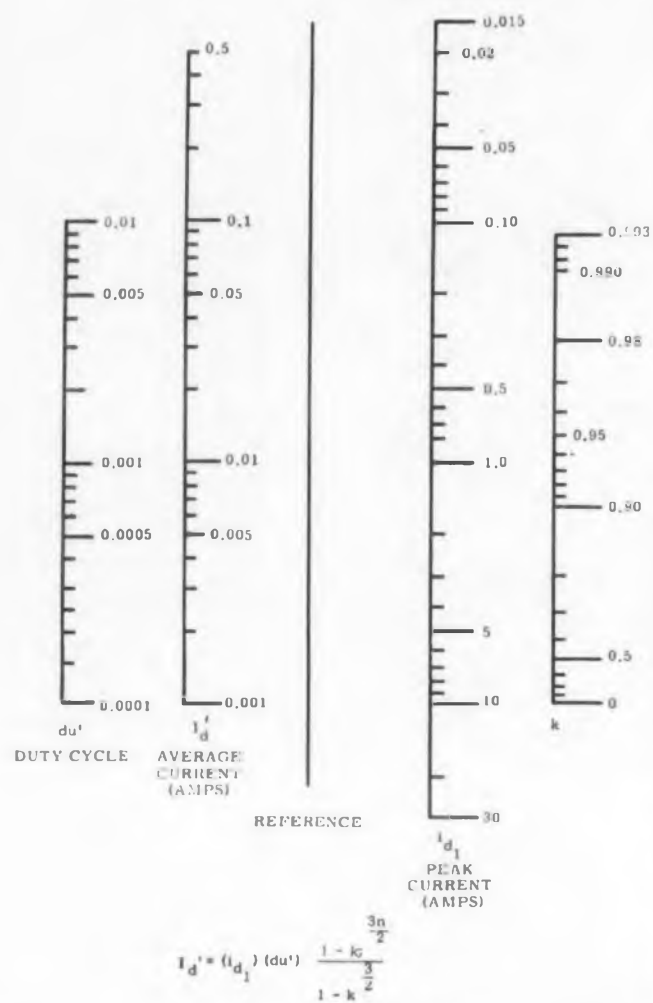


Fig. 4. Use this nomograph to determine average diode current (I_d'), knowing k , du' and i_{d1} .



Fig. 5. Use this nomograph to determine plate dissipation.

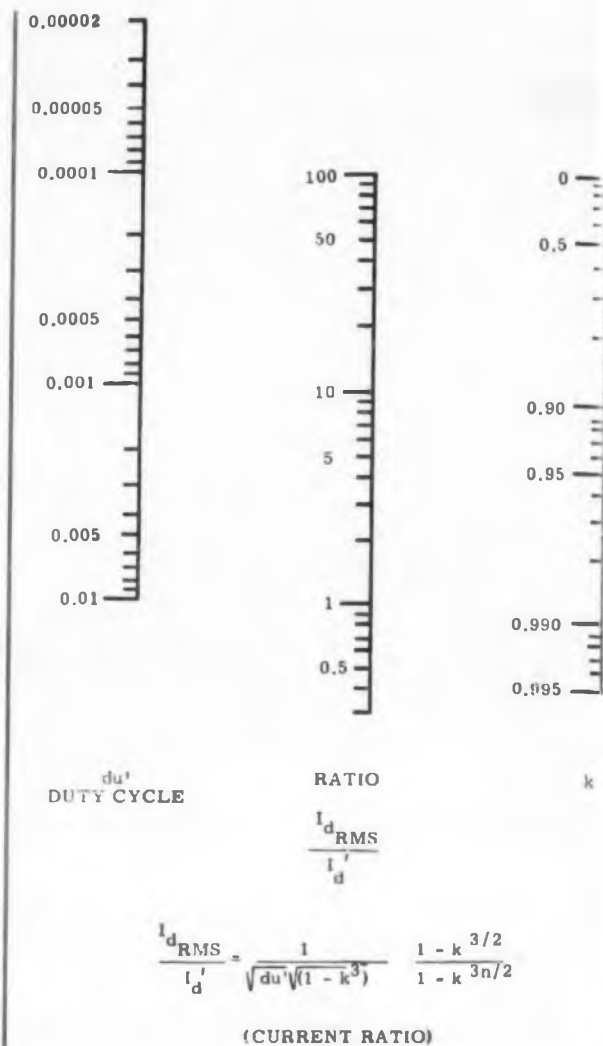


Fig. 6. Use this nomograph to determine rms diode current.

rent of 8 amp. Choosing i_{d1} to be 3 amp, from Fig. 3, the value of e_{d1} will be 850 v. The diode resistance R_t , will be:

$$R_t = \frac{e_{d1}}{i_{d1}} \quad (6)$$

so that

$$R_t = \frac{850}{3} = 280 \text{ ohms}$$

The load line for the diode, from Fig. 3 will be:

$$R = \frac{e_{px1} - e_{d1}}{i_{d1}} = R_s + Z_L + Z_N \quad (7)$$

which in our case becomes:

$$R = \frac{2,700 - 850}{3} = 620 \text{ ohms}$$

Since arcing conditions are implied from Eq. 7:

$$R_s = R - Z_L - Z_N = 620 - 0 - 55 = 565 \text{ ohms}$$

The designer may wish to adjust R_s slightly, to conform to commercially-available values. This

will require redrawing the load line R in Fig. 3, picking off new values of i_{d1} , e_{d1} , and recalculating R_t . This step will be omitted for simplicity's sake, and 565 ohms will be used for R_s .

Plate Dissipation, RMS Current

The next step consists of recomputing the value of clipper diode mismatch factor, using Eq. 3, based upon the circuit constants determined above. The remainder of the diode operating conditions may then be found: I_d' , using Fig. 4; the plate dissipation P_p , using Fig. 5; and the ratio of I_{drms} to I_d' , using Fig. 6.

In our example, we have:

$$R_s = 565 \text{ ohms} \quad Z_L = 0 \text{ (arcing condition)}$$

$$R_t = 280 \text{ ohms} \quad Z_N = 55 \text{ ohms}$$

so that,

$$k = \frac{565 + 280 + 0 - 55}{565 + 280 + 0 + 55} = 0.88$$

Fig. 6 follows the general rules for using nomographs. Figs. 4 and 5 are three-variable nomographs requiring two lines. One line drawn from

the outermost scales will determine a point on the reference axis. The second line drawn through this point to a value upon one of the innermost scales will intersect the other innermost scale at the value sought.

In Fig. 4, a line is drawn from $k = 0.88$ to $du' = 0.00175^{**}$. A second line is drawn from the intersection of the first line with the reference axis, to $i_{d1} = 3.0$ amp. The value of I_d' is therefore 29 ma††. In Fig. 5, the value of $e_{d1} \times i_{d1}$ must be computed, and is 2550 w. As before, $du' = 0.00175$ and $k = 0.88$. The reader may verify that the plate dissipation of the clipper diode P_p , is now 16 w. In Fig. 6, a single line drawn from $k = 0.88$ to $du' = 0.00175$ will suffice: it will intersect the I_{drms}/I_d' axis at 8.0. The rms clipper diode current I_{drms} , is therefore 230 ma.

**This represents the worst condition, continuous arcing of the load (i.e. $du' = du$). Ordinarily, du' is based upon the arcing characteristics of the load, and is much smaller than the operating duty cycle, du .

†† I_d' is used to compute the value of I_{drms} and should not be confused with the Average Current I_a . The latter may be computed with the formula: $I_a = (e_{px1}) (du') / 2Z_N$, but is not of primary importance in the choice of the clipper diode.

Comparison of the above data with the manufacturer's ratings in Table 1, shows that the 589 diode is operating well within its ratings if it is liquid cooled. If a value of k equal to 0.93 is used, (corresponding to the limiting case, where $(R_s + R_t) = 1.5 k$, the reader may verify that $I_{drms} = 165$ ma.

Higher Powered Circuits

The clipper diode protective circuit has been determined with deceptive ease for our modulator example. The reader should be forewarned that clipper diode circuits for the higher-powered modulators result in unusual demands upon clipper diode performance.

For example, a modulator requiring an e_{pv} of 20 kv, and operating at a duty cycle of 0.0005 will have a limiting k of 0.98, and an $(R_s + R_t)$ max of 2.5 K. Under arcing conditions, with Z_N equal to 25 ohms, e_{px1} approximates 20 kv so that the peak current the diode must pass is at least 79 amp, neglecting the factor of safety for the "inductive spike" contributions. Since this modulator is in the medium-power range, and the higher powered modulators require clipper diode currents of 200 amp, one can see the reason for employing gas tubes as clipper diodes.

If the arcing characteristics of the load are known, a lower value of du' may be specified, thereby easing the requirements for plate dissipation and rms current for the tube chosen. If this is done, however, it would be wise to protect the clipper diode itself, by the use of a thermal relay that would be placed in series with the diode circuit, and would remove high voltage from the modulator upon excessive arcing.

Trigger Generator

Although the major components and associated circuitry have been determined, it is important that the trigger generator requirements receive careful consideration. No attempt will be made to specify the design of the trigger generator in detail, since this will depend upon the particular operating conditions of the modulator switch tube.

The MIL-E-1C specifications for the 3C45 hydrogen thyatron read as follows with respect to the trigger source:

"Note 3: Driver pulse, measured at tube socket with thyatron grid disconnected: $e_{gv} = 175$ v(min), time of rise = 0.5 μ sec (max), grid pulse duration = 2.0 μ sec (min), Impedance of Drive Circuits = 1500 ohms (max)."

The rise time of the trigger pulse is arbitrarily defined as the time between the 26 per cent and 70.7 per cent points on the leading edge of the pulse, when the trigger generator is unloaded. The pulse width is taken at the 70.7 per cent level of the trigger pulse, when the trigger generator

TABLE III-1

| | Calculated Value | Manufacturer's Data Type 589 Diode | |
|-----------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| | | Liquid Cooled | Radiation Cooled |
| Inverse Voltage | 2.7 kv | 10 kv | 10 kv |
| Peak Current | 3.0 a | 8.0 a | 8.0 a |
| Rms Current | 230 ma | 300 ma | 150 ma |

is loaded by its characteristic impedance. The drive circuit impedance may be measured by placing a variable resistor having good frequency characteristics across the output of the trigger generator, and varying it until the peak pulse voltage, as measured across the resistance, is half the open-circuit peak pulse voltage. The resistance value of the variable resistor will then be equal to the output impedance of the drive circuit.

The values given in the MIL-E-1C specifications are the limiting values permissible. There are great advantages in providing a trigger source well-within these values. For example, a high rate-of-rise trigger pulse will do much towards decreasing the time jitter and anode delay time of the switch tube, as will a low drive circuit-impedance. Two precautions must be noted, however. First, the trigger pulse width must not be too great, otherwise the thyatron will not de-ionize. Second, excessive grid dissipation must be avoided for the same reason.

It may be assumed that the application of the modulator dictates good stability. For the 3C45, a peak trigger voltage e_{gv} , of 250 v, having an 0.1 μ sec rise time, and a loaded pulse width of 2.5 μ sec, out of a driver having an output impedance of 500 ohms will suffice. ■ ■

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Design Miniature Ovens

With Close Temperature Control

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In designing small ovens, most engineers depend on a hit-and-miss procedure. According to Frank Cheli, this most often results in a "direct miss." Close temperature control requires careful design.

DESIGNING a temperature controlled oven involves construction of a prototype that meets physical specifications, testing, modifying, and retesting until performance is satisfactory.

Application of the methods suggested here will facilitate the design of lower cost, longer lived, and more closely controlled ovens. Although the ovens described are used for quartz crystals, they may also be used for other applications, such as maintaining transistors at a constant temperature when high stability is required.

Factors Affecting Oven Accuracy

Designing a miniature oven for one degree control is no great problem under static ambient and load conditions, but the problem becomes much more difficult when the ambient range is spread over 135 deg C, as in military applications. The design problem is further complicated by the small mass and size required in such units. The small mass provides little heat storage, consequently little smoothing of small change in heat balance.

Compared with larger heated systems, small ovens respond more readily, and with larger variations, to such factors as imbalance between heat input and heat demand, non-uniform heat distribution, localized heat losses, and speed of thermostat response.

Because of this thermal hypersensitivity, details of design and construction, selection and placement of components, the types of materials used, and even the method of testing the oven have a critical effect on control accuracy.

A well designed oven must have adequate heat input, uniform heat distribution, rapid controller response, and minimum heat transfer between the system and its surroundings. To accomplish these objectives the designer must take into account the size and placement of the heat source, the mass, shape and materials, type and placement of the thermostat, and type, quantity and placement of insulation and thermal buffers.

Designing the Heat Source

The oven heater is usually made of Nichrome wire with a triple layer of silicone-glass insulation. It is wound in a single layer, if possible, to prevent abrasion of the insulation due to contraction and expansion.

The wire is wrapped around the oven shell, or around the crystal holder, in such fashion as to cover as much of the surface as possible. This is to provide uniform heat distribution. Further, the heater is wrapped directly onto the metal surface to assure rapid heat transfer into the oven, and to minimize wasted heat.



Since the coil develops heat along its entire length, it is extremely important that the "tail" leads from the heater be in contact with the heat dissipating mass. If the leads are connected to the terminals across an air gap they may overheat and burn out.

The heat source must do two jobs. First, it must bring the oven up to control temperature within a specified time interval after a cold start. Second, it must supply heat for maintaining the oven at a specified temperature after initial warm-up.

The minimum wattage is that required to control the oven at the lowest ambient temperature specified. Determining this wattage requires some cut-and-try, since it is affected by the individual oven design, but the usual range is ten to twenty watts. The heater must be designed 10 to 20% larger than the bare minimum so that the heater will not be on continuously at low temperatures.

The heater should not be too large, since temperature control becomes more difficult as the heater wattage increases with respect to the thermal mass of the oven. During cooling, after current is cut off, the heater continues to add heat to the system. If the heater is too large for the mass of the system, repeated temperature overshoots will occur.

This effect is particularly troublesome if the



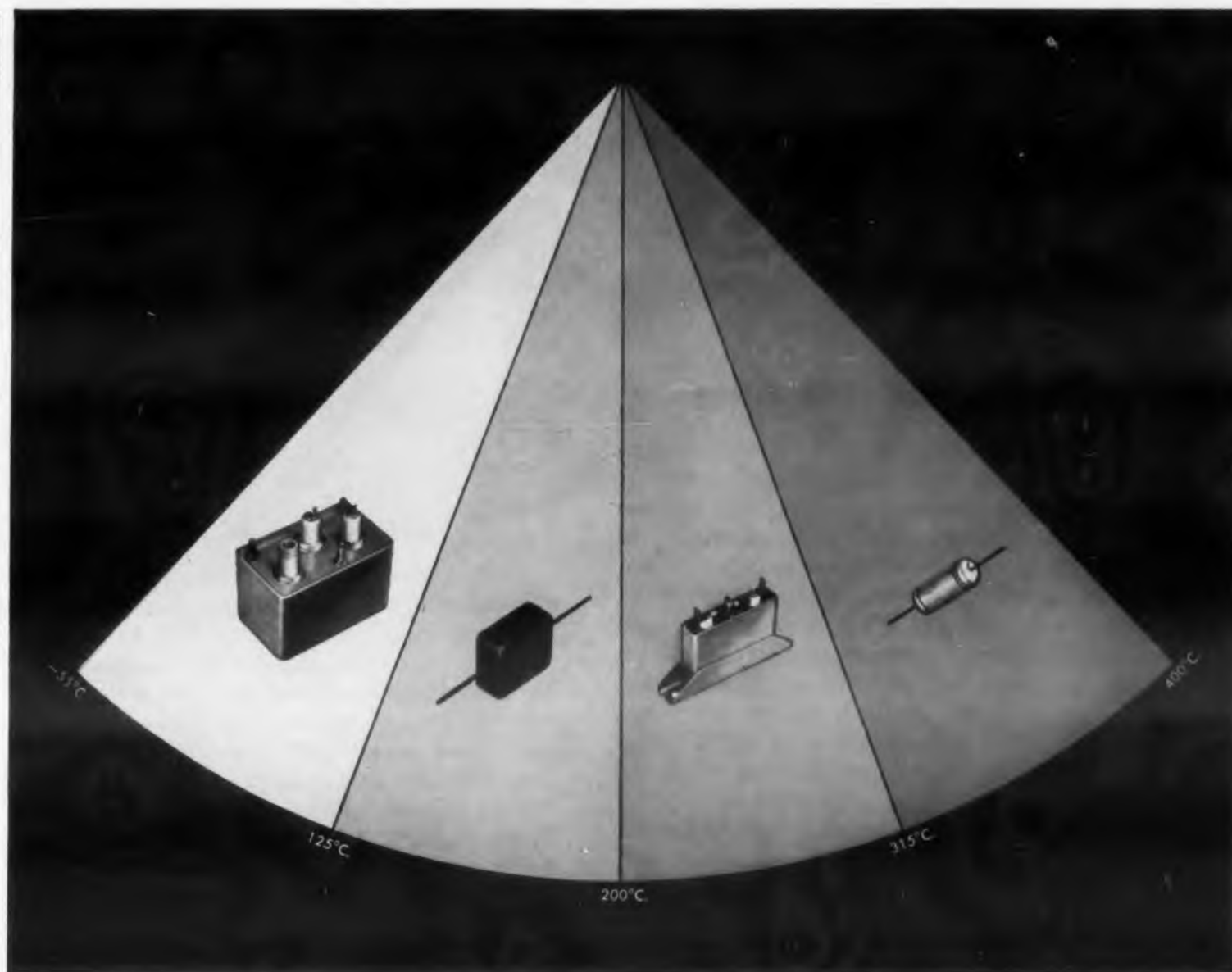
Fig. 1. Two concentric metal rings conduct heat from the coils on the outside of the cylinder. Heat is distributed uniformly among the 15 radially-arranged crystals. The oven is closed by the cap at right and the entire unit housed in the can at left.

ambient temperature is almost as high as the control temperature, because the excess heat cannot be dissipated rapidly. Minimizing heater capacity further improves control by decreasing the current (and thus the amount of internal heating) in the thermostat. Internal heating of the thermostat impairs its sensitivity by adding to the amount of heat it "sees." Excessive heater wattages also shorten the life of the thermostat contacts.

If the mass of the oven is high, considerably more heat is required for warm-up than for maintaining the control temperature after warm-up. The temperature control circuit must provide maximum heat for rapid warm-up, then reduce heat for normal operation.

A convenient method is to use two normally-closed thermostats controlling a tapped heater coil. One thermostat, set at the control temperature, is connected in series with the full heater and supplies heat for normal operation. The second thermostat, set about ten degrees below the control temperature, is in series with a shorter length of the heater coil, thus providing the increased wattage required for warm-up.

In an oven requiring 20 watts for control, and 55 watts to achieve a three minute warmup, the control thermostat is in series with the entire length of the soil, and the warm-up thermostat



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When the wattage differential between control and warm-up is small, special heater wire having a large positive temperature coefficient may be used. The resistance increase with rising temperature automatically reduces heater output as the oven approaches control temperature, permitting the circuit to be controlled by one thermostat set at the control temperature.

Distributing the Heat Uniformly

Since the oven is enclosed, very little air circulation can occur. Every design technique must be used to achieve uniform heat distribution and minimize thermal lag. Winding the heater around the largest possible amount of oven surface is essential to uniform heat dispersion. A cylindrical oven is preferable because it has no corners to form thermal deadspots. Aluminum, copper, silver, and their alloys have high thermal conductivity and low specific heat. Their use permits minimizing thermal lags and temperature gradients.

Conducting devices can improve heat distribution and minimize gradients among components in the oven. In the oven shown in Fig. 1, which contains 15 crystals in a radial arrangement, the conducting device is a pair of concentric beryllium-copper rings. The crystal cartridges are between the two rings, and in intimate contact with them.

The rings provide a thermal conducting path between crystals, reducing temperature variations from crystal to crystal. Arranging the cartridges in an evenly spaced circle also helps distribute the heat uniformly among them.

Increasing the mass within an oven provides "thermal inertia," making the oven less sensitive to transient effects, and buffering the internal temperature against rapid change. If the mass is made too large however, the system's recovery from falling temperature is slowed, larger heaters are required and, of course, the weight increase may be undesirable.

In the oven shown in Fig. 2, thermal inertia is provided by the half pound brass chassis on



Fig. 2. Brass chassis provides thermal inertia to control crystal temperature closely.



Fig. 3. These tiny Fenwal Thermostats can control to within 1/2 deg C.

which 11 crystals are mounted. This unusually massive chassis serves as a heat reservoir, buffering against abrupt temperature changes.

Controlling the Temperature

An oven thermostat must have rapid response, minimum size, and low mass to minimize its own thermal inertia. Additionally, it must have high sensitivity to small temperature changes. The thermostat must operate reliably under the wide range of physical conditions to which the oven is subjected and should be hermetically sealed to prevent contact contamination and sticking.

A typical oven control, shown in Fig. 3, is the Thermostitch[®]. This 1/4 ounce, hermetically sealed unit requiring less than 0.14 cubic inch of mounting space, can control within 0.5 deg C provided good design procedures are followed.

One of these thermostats installed in a production oven, and tested under field conditions, has operated for 1.5 million cycles and is still maintaining the temperature within specified tolerances.

For close control the thermostat must be located where it can respond to temperature change as soon as it occurs. The most desirable location is between the heater and the crystal, and as close as possible to both (Fig. 4). Proximity of the thermostat to the heater increases the cycling frequency, improving control by adding heat in short bursts which minimize overshoot.

If the electrical load is kept small, frequent cycling does not appreciably reduce contact life. Proximity of the thermostat to the crystal permits close sensing of the crystal temperature. When this is impractical the control may be placed adjacent to the heat sink, where heat loss to the surroundings is most rapid (Fig. 5), enabling it to follow cooling tendencies before the oven temperature drops excessively.

Regardless of location, the thermostat must be in intimate contact with some metal part of the oven. Close control is possible only if the thermostat can respond to the temperature of a mass in

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the oven, rather than to the air, or insulation having poor heat transfer properties. To assure good permanent thermal contact, the thermostat should be secured by tabs formed from the metal part, or soldered in place.

The problems of sparking and radio interference can be reduced by wiring a capacitor in series with a resistor across the contacts. Reduction of sparking also extends contact life.

Preventing Heat Loss

The final step in the design of a well controlled oven is the measure to conserve heat. The object is to deliver all the wattage produced by the heater to the oven, and this implies as little loss as possible to the surroundings. Conservation of heat minimizes heater capacity, reducing the magnitude of temperature cycling in the oven.

The devices for preventing heat loss are dead air gaps and bright reflecting surfaces. In ovens with an inner and outer shell, the air space between shells provides a good thermal barrier. Bright plating on the surfaces of the outer shell reflects escaping heat back into the oven, and reflects away external ambient heat at elevated temperatures. All openings must be closed with silicone rubber gaskets, plastic spacers, or fiber glass insulation.

The oven should be checked to determine the best amount and placement of insulation. Insulating materials must not be used indiscriminately. This involves some cut-and-try. For example, insulation absorbs heat, and thus can reduce efficiency.

Over-insulation in relation to heater wattage

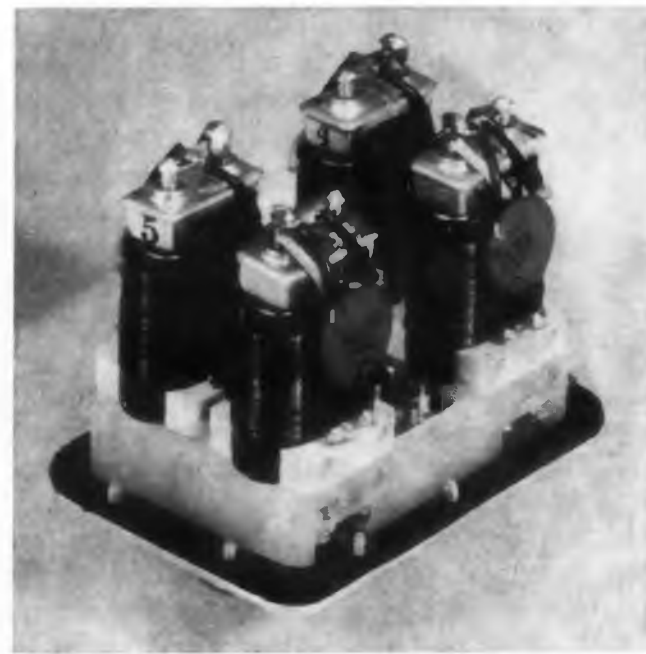


Fig. 4. Packing crystal, heater, and thermostat as close together as possible yields optimum control. In this assembly, each crystal is enclosed in its own separate heater with a thermostat mounted directly above and in intimate contact with the heater.



Fig. 5. If the control cannot be placed close to the crystal and heater, it should be mounted on a large mass in the oven. The mirror shows the control mounted on the base of the oven where it will respond quickly to cooling tendencies.

can cause the oven to overshoot. Burying the thermostat under insulation produces a heat pocket, raising the thermostat to a higher temperature than actually exists within the oven cavity. It is necessary to cut a hole in insulation in the vicinity of the control to enable it to respond rapidly to the oven temperature.

Testing Oven Performance

Because of many factors that can affect temperature, even between closely-spaced points in an oven, special procedures are required to measure the actual temperature of the crystals or other components when the oven is operating. Checking the oven wall with a thermocouple probe and extrapolating to obtain crystal temperature gives inexact results due to lead losses, variations in probe placement, and other factors. Other measurement procedures are complex and time consuming.

A convenient temperature test uses a thermistor sensing probe which duplicates the shape and mass of the actual component, and replaces it in the oven during test. For example, in crystal ovens a dummy crystal cartridge containing the thermistor is wired to the existing terminals, and measures the temperature right at the crystal. The probe signal is transmitted through the existing connectors to an external temperature indicator, where it is read to 0.1 deg C. Additional probes can be installed to indicate the temperature at various locations simultaneously.

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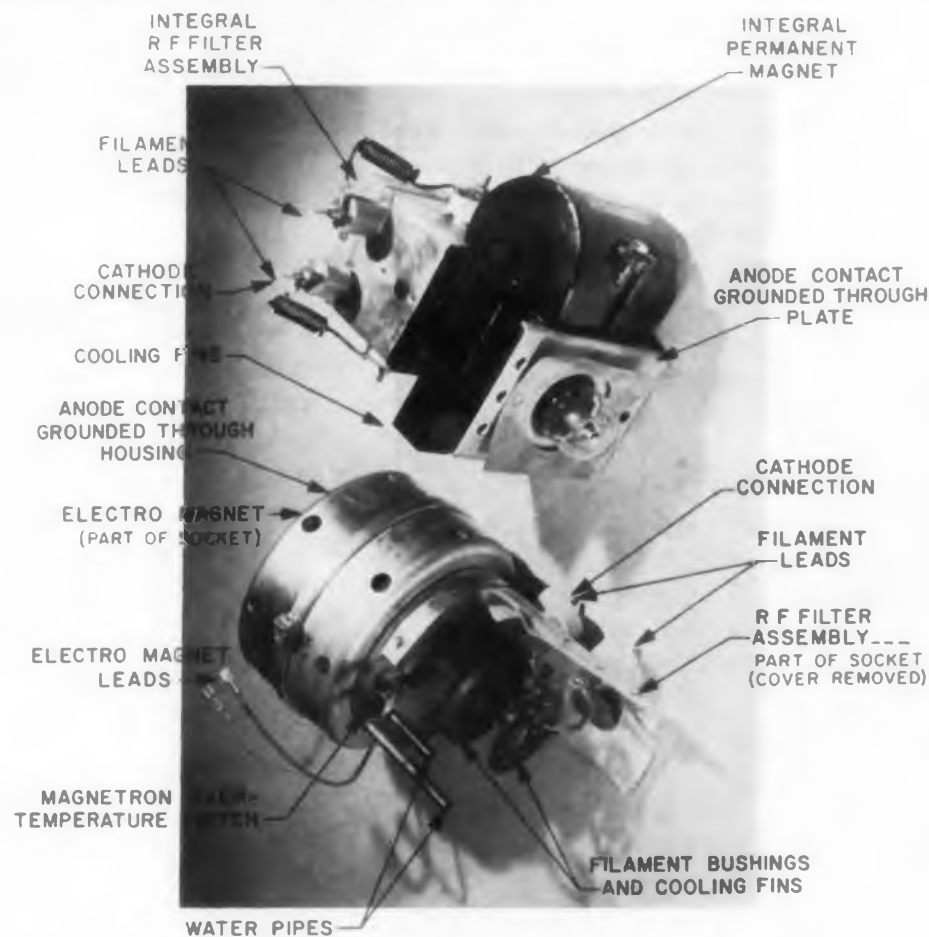
At Raytheon's Radarange Dept. in Waltham, Mass., Brone M. Walunas and Louis H. Schall were responsible for the redesign of the oven. To start, they replaced the permanent-magnet type QK-390 magnetron with a QK-707 using an electromagnet.

By routing the anode current through the electromagnet, they were able to pro-

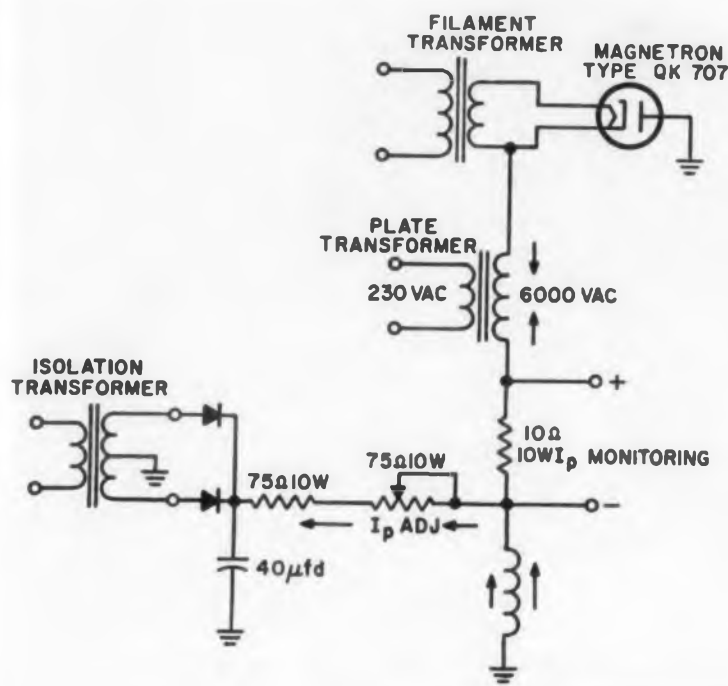
vide plate regulation without using the traditional magnetic amplifier circuit in the primary of the plate transformer. Thus they used the electromagnet as a series field just as old-time radios used the field coils of dynamic speakers as power-supply filters.

As another important cost-saver, they powered the magnetron from raw ac as a

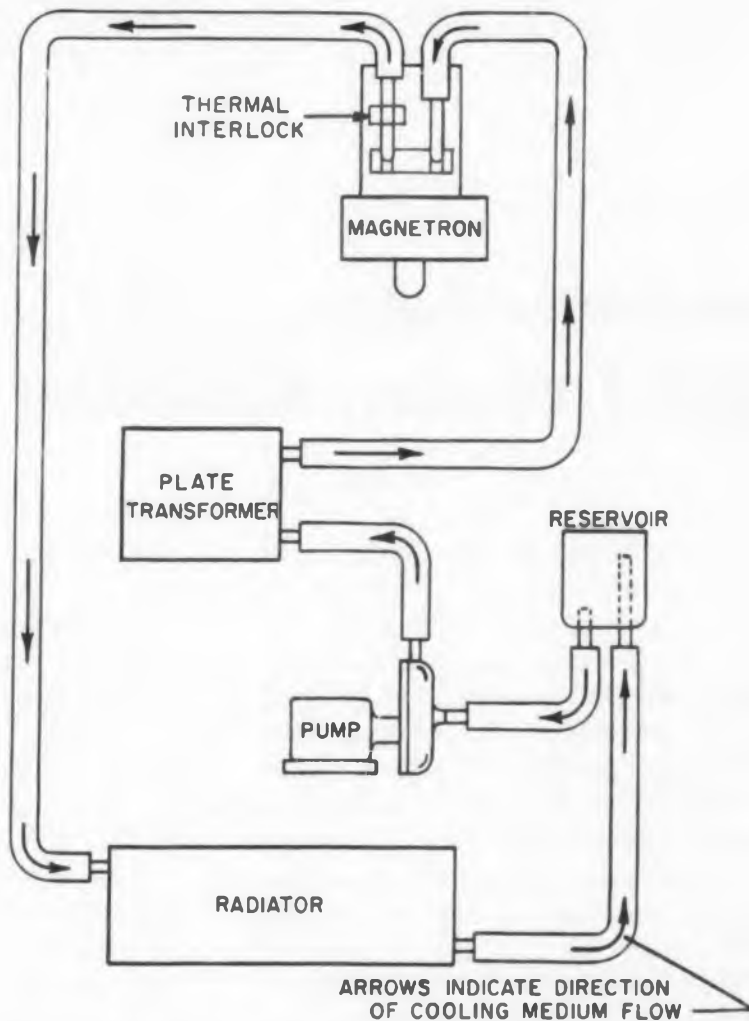
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Previously used QK-390 magnetron (upper half of photo), and new QK-707 magnetron shown assembled within its electromagnet and filter assembly. The QK-707 tube and its water pipes are field replaceable.



Magnetron field and anode current circuit showing how the electromagnet is used to help regulate the plate current. The selenium rectifier supply at the left powers the electromagnet field coil and a relay in a field detection system.



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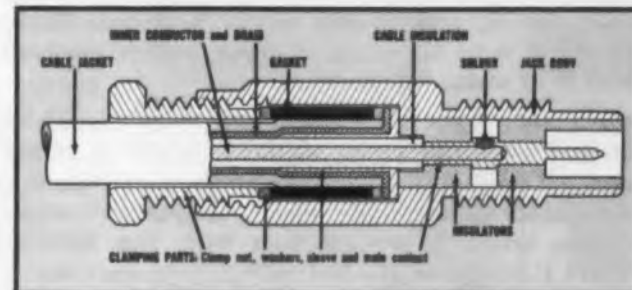
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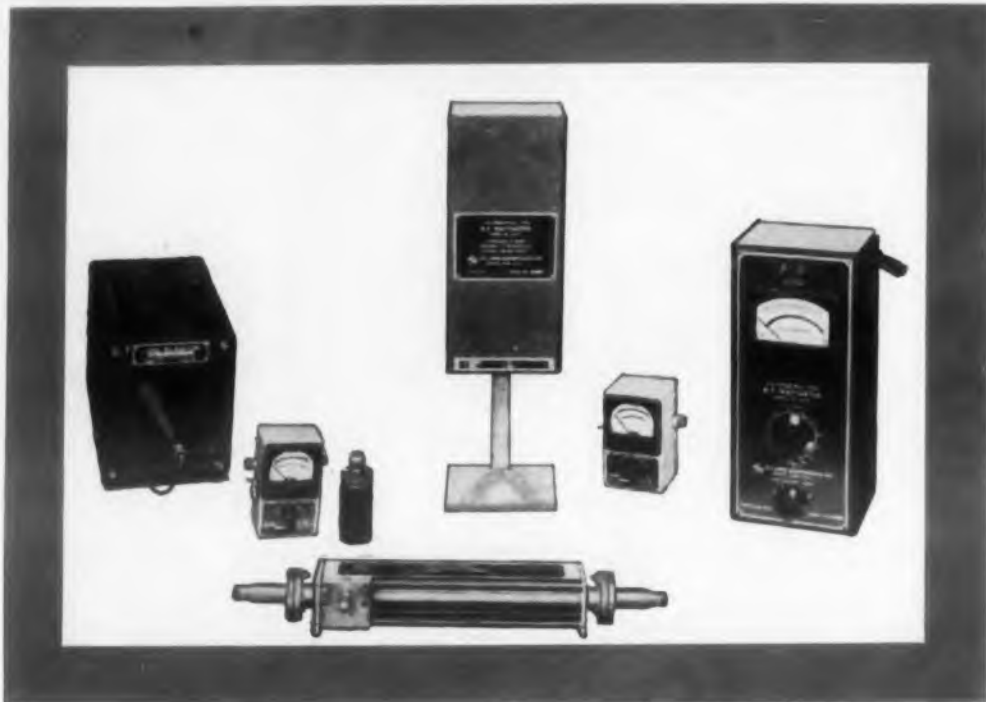
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Comb structure of 50-mc, 125-w, 10-amp power transistor provides long emitter length for high-current flow. Emitter is close to base at all points. Wiggly line in photo is not the emitter; it is the spacing between the interleaving teeth of the base and emitter.

Comb Structure Makes High-Frequency, High-Power Transistors

TEN-AMP currents can be switched through the 0.2-ohm saturation resistance of a new transistor in less than 500 nsec. Thanks to an unusual, comb-like emitter structure, this triple-diffused, npn, mesa transistor has an alpha cutoff of 50 mc and can dissipate 125 w.

Designed for high-speed, high-power switching, the new transistor should find wide application in power conversion, high-frequency power generation and amplification.

First in a new line of triple-diffused, high-frequency power transistors, the types PT900 and PT901 are manufactured by Pacific Semiconductors, Inc., 10451 W. Jefferson Blvd., Culver City, Calif. Hermetically sealed in a welded steel case, the transistor structure has a threaded copper stud for heat transfer to an external heat sink. At a 25 C case temperature, maximum collector-base voltage (V_{CBO}) rating for the PT900 is 140 v; for the PT901, 80 v. Collector-emitter voltage (V_{CER}) rating at $R = 10$,

for the PT900 is 100 v; for the PT901, 50 v.

Other maximum ratings: emitter-base voltage (V_{EBO}) is 4 v, collector current 15 amp peak, junction temperature 150 C, thermal resistance 1 deg C per watt and total dissipation 125 w.

Emitter Comb Permits High Currents

Since at high frequencies a transistor only functions near the edge of the emitter, a long emitter edge is needed to get high currents. Design solution of Mason Clark, PSI's head of development, was to construct a narrow emitter stripe wiggling back and forth. This gave the emitter a long edge and brought the base lead closer to the emitter at all points. In a transistor with a large-area emitter, the base is necessarily far from the emitter center.

The photos show the comb design. The emitter comb is diffused into the silicon; to distribute current over the comb, the emitter is metalized.



Innards of a developmental 100-amp, 50-mc transistor, showing comb structure and heavy duty contacts. This type is not yet available.

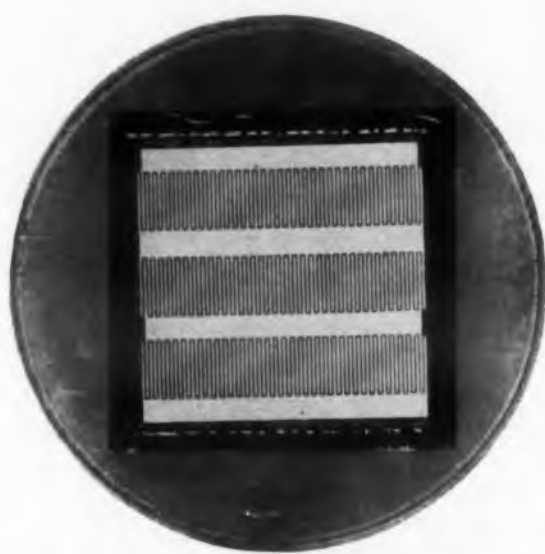
A diffusion process was used instead of alloying, because with diffusion a high degree of uniformity over large areas (0.25-in. diam. silicon disk) is possible. With alloying, uniformity is difficult to obtain. The mesa structure has good high-frequency characteristics; and with diffusion techniques both collector and emitter resistivity can be controlled in production, instead of just the base layer resistivity. Mason Clark adds that the claims that alloy junction transistors inherently have higher current gain, better carrier lifetime and higher emitter efficiency than diffused junction units are "erroneous."

Dislocations Were Problem

Early in the two-and-a-half year old research the principal problem was getting materials suitable for the transistors. Good silicon—with a small number of dislocations (resistivity and lifetime were not a problem)—was not available in the sizes necessary. Now, materials are "quite good," Clark says.

They have to be. "A 100-amp transistor, for example," says Clark, "uses enough material to make 400 small transistors. A deformity in the silicon might spoil one or two of the small transistors, but you'd still have 398 good units. The same deformity might ruin the entire 100-amp transistor."

It's not quite that bad, Clark hastens to admit. With the large units such high



Comb structure design. N-type emitter is diffused into p-type base, metalized for current flow. Transistor has four-layer construction.

currents are being passed that the need for microampere reverse leakage is not so critical as with smaller units.

100 Amps in Future?

PSI's 10-amp transistors are the first benefit from a research program sponsored by the Air Force under a contract monitored by the Electronic Technology Lab of Wright Air Development Division. Goal of the research was to produce 50-mc, 10-amp, 20-amp, 50-amp and 100-amp units. The latter three are still under development.

While capacitances are necessarily large—proportional to the area of the emitter—with the comb structure, input resistance is very low. RC, therefore, would be about the same in a 100-amp unit as in the 10-amp unit.

Developmental 50-amp units are constructed so they can be water cooled: 50 amp at 50 v gives 2500-w dissipation. Hundred-amp units must be force-air cooled.

PT900 and PT901 transistors are available in evaluation quantities for circuit design work. Cost is about \$150 in limited quantities.

For further information about these 50-mc, triple-diffused, npn, mesa, power transistors, turn to the Reader-Service Card and circle 100.

See the transistors at the IRE Show, Booth 2742-2744.

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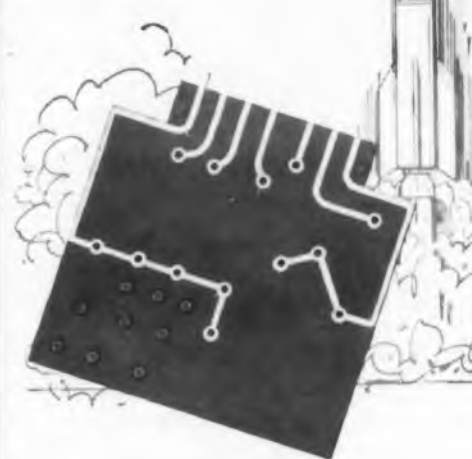
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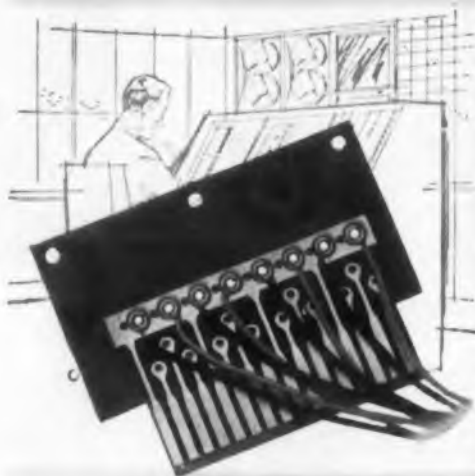
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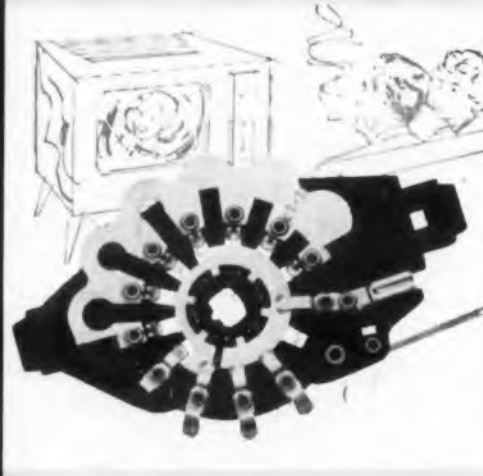
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Nuvistor Tube Becomes

THE NUVISTOR, a thimble-sized electron tube, is now in commercial production. The tube can be used in many diverse applications ranging from data processing systems to medical diagnostic equipment. Because it has the ability to operate at any altitude, it will have important applications in miniaturized airborne apparatus and space vehicles.

Made by the Radio Corp. of America, Electron Tube Div., Harrison, N. J., the triode is priced at \$1.96.

The first member of a new family of electron tubes embodying the nuvistor design concept is a general-purpose, medium-mu triode designated RCA-7586. Engineers at RCA have constructed several experimental units to test the merits of the nuvistor. Typical equipment which has been designed using nuvistors includes a television camera, a decade counter, a very-high-frequency communications receiver for aircraft, police and amateur service, and a wide variety of oscillators and amplifiers.

The nuvistor triode takes up 1/16th the volume and consumes less than one-half the power of its larger, present-day counterpart, RCA claims. Special construction techniques eliminate the need for spot welding, mica spacers and a glass envelope. Made of ceramic materials, steel, molybdenum and tungsten, the tube can withstand a high degree of shock and vibration.

Douglas A. Smith, vice president and general manager of the tube division, detailed the following features of the nuvistor triode:

- Low voltage operation
- Low heater drain
- A transconductance of 11,500 micromhos at a plate voltage and current of 75 v and 10.5 ma.
- Uniformity of characteristics from tube to tube.
- High-input impedance

Fig. 1. The first nuvistor tube being produced is the RCA-7586 industrial triode. It is a general purpose medium-mu triode of the heater-cathode type which provides high-gain with low-noise as an amplifier and excellent performance as an oscillator over a wide range of frequencies.

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- High perveance
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- Small size and light weight. The metal shell is only 8/10 in. long, including peripheral lugs for indexing less than 1/2 in. in diameter; 1/15 oz. in weight.

For more information on this tube turn to the Reader's Service card and circle number 102.

See the nuvistor at Booth 1602-1608, IRE Show.



Fig. 2. A "shish-kebab" containing approximately 100 nuvistors is lowered into an exhaust and sealing machine.

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Belt version of Randid. The neon lamps can be seen in the foreground. Code-scanning phototransistors and lamps are at the rear. In this model, two lines of characters share the same code tracks.

A particular character is illuminated at a particular position when Randid receives a binary signal corresponding to that of the selected character and display position. When the in-coming signal and the signal on the belt agree, a high-intensity neon lamp fires and stroboscopically illuminates the selected character when it reaches the correct position.

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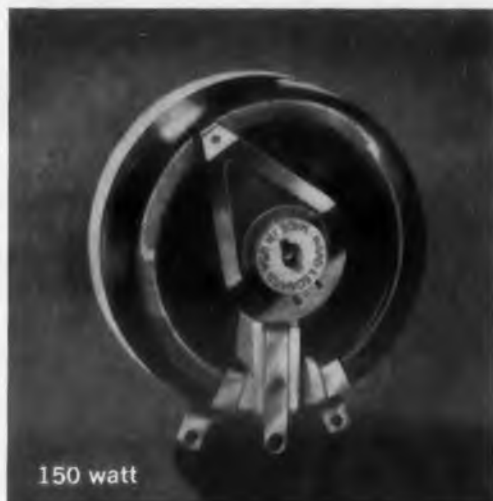
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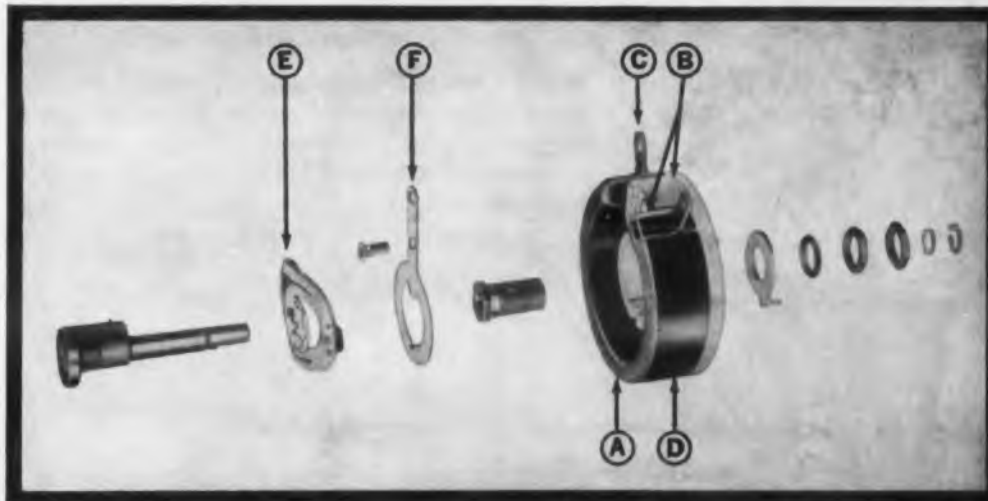
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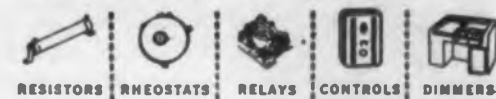
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Two models of the tube have 2.75-in. printing-head widths, but tubes with up to 12-in. printing-head widths can be produced on order.

Made by Litton Industries' Electron Tube Div., 960 Industrial Road, San

Carlos, Calif., the tubes are now being used in facsimile, oscillography, address labeling and television-type image reproduction equipment. Other applications will soon include: high speed computer readout, controlled information storage and erase for military tactical display maps and stock control uses, and simultaneous recording at any number of dispersed stations.

Type L-4013 tube provides a printing or writing head 0.15-in. high to accommodate writing of complete characters or symbols across the entire head widths.



Fig. 1. Model L-4016, which has a linear mosaic head, is on the right. Model L-4013, which has a rectangular mosaic array printing head, is on the left.

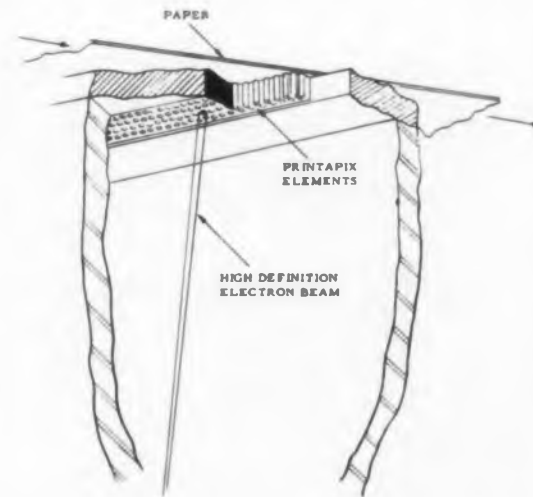


Fig. 2. The general working characteristics of the Printapix tube are outlined.

This two-dimensional head may also be used for sequential, scan line (TV type) operation. Use of this tube minimizes system requirements for setup and operation. Type L-4016 has a unidimensional conductive element array for sequential, scan-line operation. Both tubes are immediately available and will be displayed at the IRE show.

The tubes have a metallic-element, mosaic target or printing head in place of the phosphor screen usually found in cathode ray tubes. The metallic elements are 0.001-in. in diameter on approximately 0.004-in. centers, providing an element density of 62,500 conductors per sq in. With either tube, deflection of the electron beam along the printing head widths accomplishes one dimension of motion. The dielectric material is positioned immediately adjacent to the writing head; movement of this material past the tube face provides the orthogonal displacement.

Electrons in a high-intensity, high-definition beam in the tube produce a charge pattern on a dielectric surface (such as paper or plastic). The charge image, either line or continuous tone, is rendered instantaneously visible by adherence of a pigmented powder or floc. Writing rates of 0.1 μ sec per element are achieved.

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$$E = \frac{mc}{2}$$

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MORE than one reader has pointed out that there is a remarkable similarity between our new physical law $E = mc/2^*$, and Einstein's famous equation. We don't wish to appear presumptuous, but there is a relativity effect embodied in our new machine, the FR-600. Unfortunately this information has somehow leaked out and now there's the devil to pay. The marketing people got wind of it and blamed us for revealing the clue in our last paper on the Ips Corollary. It seems they think this information will play hob with their sales curve. We have committed ourselves, however, so there's nothing to do but make a clean breast of it.

As we pointed out, the FR-600, in many cases, can do the work of two machines. (Our engineering colleagues will remember that this is because the FR-600 can record 125 kc data at 30 ips, thus recording for 48 minutes on one 14-inch reel. This eliminates the need for a second stand-by machine or a dual transport in most data runs.) As you might expect, the marketing people were worried that this might cut sales in half, since one machine could do the work of two. That wasn't the half of it, however. Now it seems that the FR-600 lets all of our other analog recorders do the same thing. So, whether we like it or not, all our AR-200's, Model 800's, FR-100's and 1100's can record the same bandwidths at half the usual speeds — and record twice as long to boot. (The new engineer says this is because bandwidth is determined by the reproduce head and not the record head.)

So if you have an FR-600 to reproduce your data on you can record it at half the usual speed on all our other machines and get twice the recording time. There's no way we could stop you if we had to. As a result the marketing people are all up in arms. This will cut sales on all of our other machines in half, they say, since one machine can do the work of two. As far as we're concerned there's nothing to be done about it. The secret's out. We can only hope the profession won't abuse the privilege. A few communications from you in the field would certainly help the marketing people forget this whole ugly business.

(Regarding the answer to the trial problem in our first paper: If one of our readers has solved it would he please send us the answer in a plain envelope marked 'personal'.)

*We still have a few extra copies of the papers on $E = mc/2$ and the Ips Corollary.

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The multi-headed transistor is a combination of any type or types of transistors now in use.

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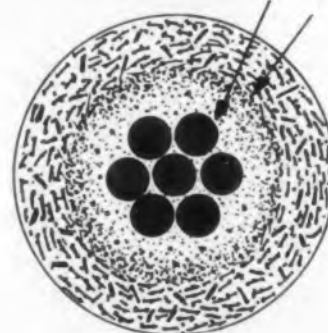
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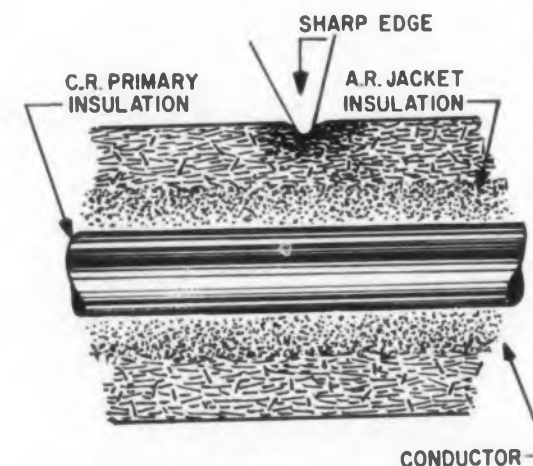
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The multi-headed units are hermetically sealed and welded, and they are designed to meet all applicable Mil specifications.

For more information on these units, turn to the Reader-Service card and circle number 106.

and subsequent advantages were reported by W. L. Gore & Associates, Inc., (487 Paper Mill Road, Newark, Del.). Fiber particles average about 1 micron in diameter and from 500 to 1000 microns in length. More than 90 per cent of the fiber orientation is parallel to wire surface, the company claims.

Among the material's advantages, designated as Type AR compound, is its cut-through resistance—three times as great as that of standard Teflon. Its mechanical properties remain satisfactory for many hours at temperatures of 325 to 400 C. In addition, if the Teflon burns away in extreme environments, the mat of fibers continues to prevent conductor shorting.

Type AR compound is being used with the Type CR insulation (also made by Gore) to form a primary insulation with high resistance to corona stress and a jacket that is resistant to abrasion and cut-through.

A corona-stress life of 70 to 80 times greater than that of the best Teflon hook-up wire now available is claimed for the type CR insulation by Gore. Moreover, Type CR insulation over a nickel-clad copper conductor is good from a few degrees Kelvin to more than 300 C. These materials are available in a wide variety of cable and wire combinations.

For more information on these insulations, which will be on display at the IRE Show, turn to the Reader-Service card and circle number 105.

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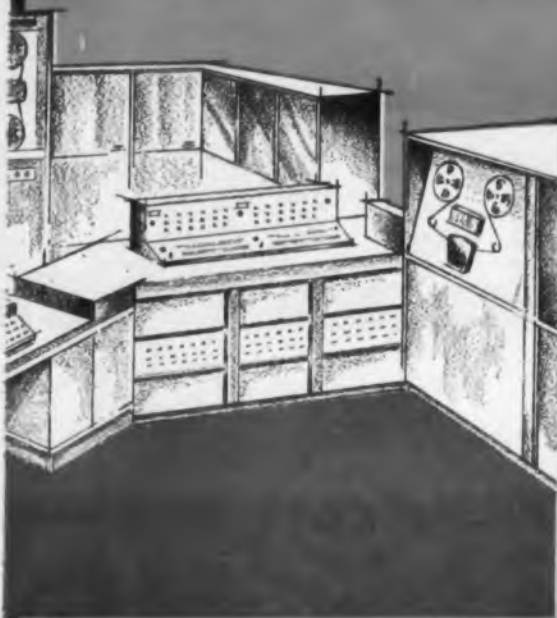
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Three-Dimensional Packaging Method Permits Quick Servicing

A THREE-DIMENSIONAL, printed-circuit packaging method that permits quick servicing by substitution and throw-away is now available to design engineers. The method can be used for small and large circuit programming in small or large quantities.

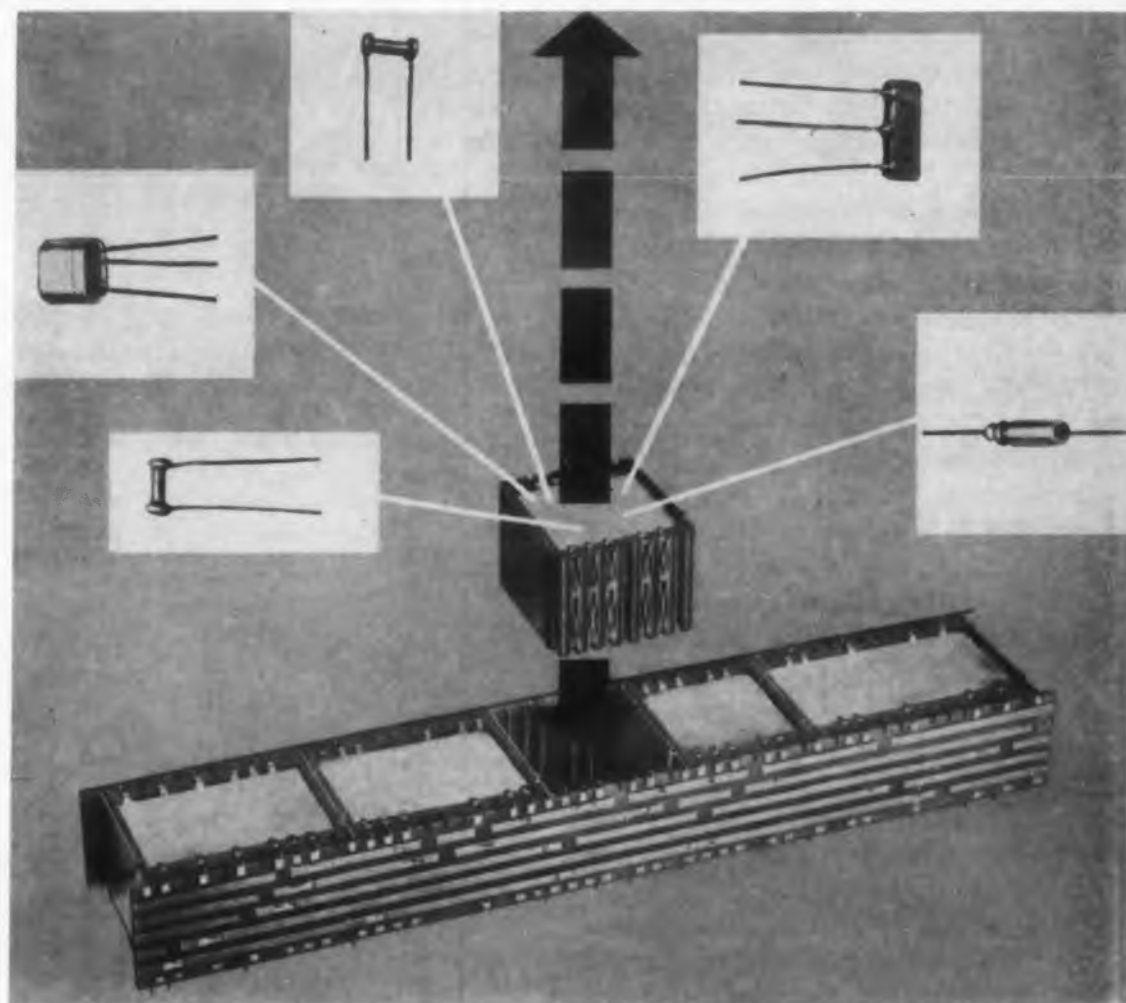
All components in this three-dimensional circuitry are encapsulated in replaceable AmpPlugs that are friction fitted into two parallel "walls" of printed circuit boards. Designed by Amp Inc. (Harrisburg, Pa.), the packaging method

is called the Amp-Meca Program (Maintainable Electronic Component Assemblies).

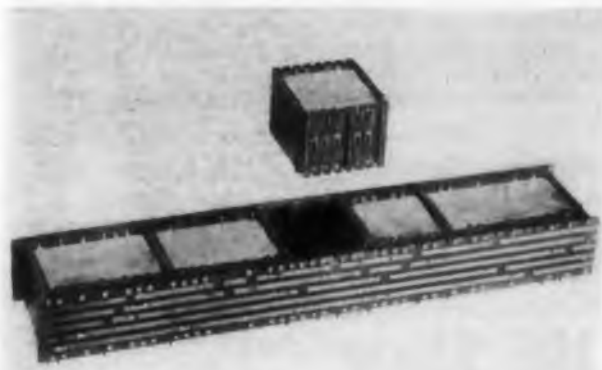
Four main advantages for this packaging method are claimed by the company. They are:

Maintainability. Each Amp-Cell, which can contain one or more component assemblies, is easily removed and replaced. Since no bonding agents are needed, highly skilled maintenance personnel are not required.

Design Flexibility. Cells can be made



All components in this three-dimensional circuitry are encapsulated in replaceable AmpPlugs which are friction-fitted into two parallel "walls" of printed-circuit boards.



The packaging method permits instant servicing by substitution and throw-away.

using the 0.1 and 0.2-in. grid system. The units discussed here are made with contact ribs in an 0.1-in. grid pattern. Thus, for every 0.1 in. increase in the length of a given cell, two additional contacts may be obtained (one on each side of the cell). Cell volume can be increased without adding contacts by widening or deepening the dimensions of the "walls" and the cells.

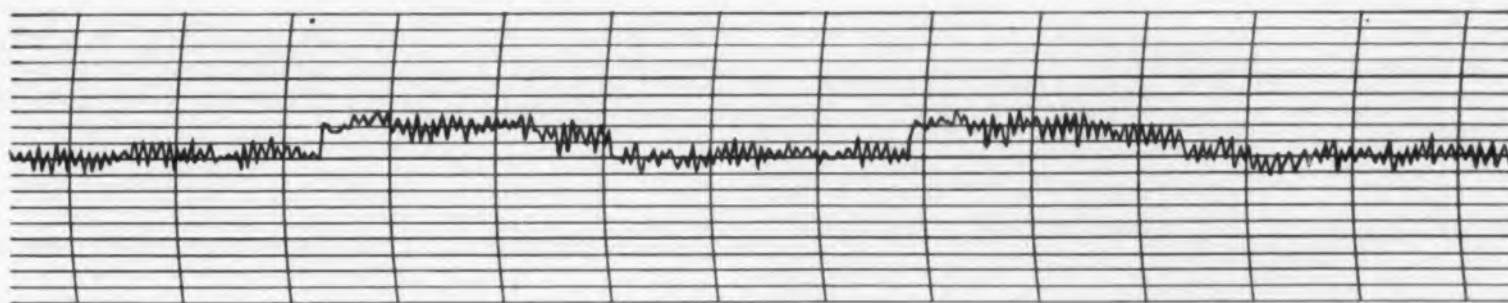
Circuit Production. Economical prototype circuit production is accomplished through semi-automated "memory type" equipment using punched cards. This is achieved without the need of drafting, art work, photographic process, etching, plating or stamping. Since the component cell is a mold in itself for encapsulating the components, separate molding fixtures in the assembly process are eliminated.

Reliability. The units are practically indestructible, since the cells have no protruding contacts. Also, the entire assembly is protected against vibration, corrosion and physical damage because the components are encapsulated in the cells—and the cells, in turn, are wholly contained in the circuit boards. The best conductivity is assured through the friction-fit wiping action between contact surfaces when the cells are inserted into the boards.

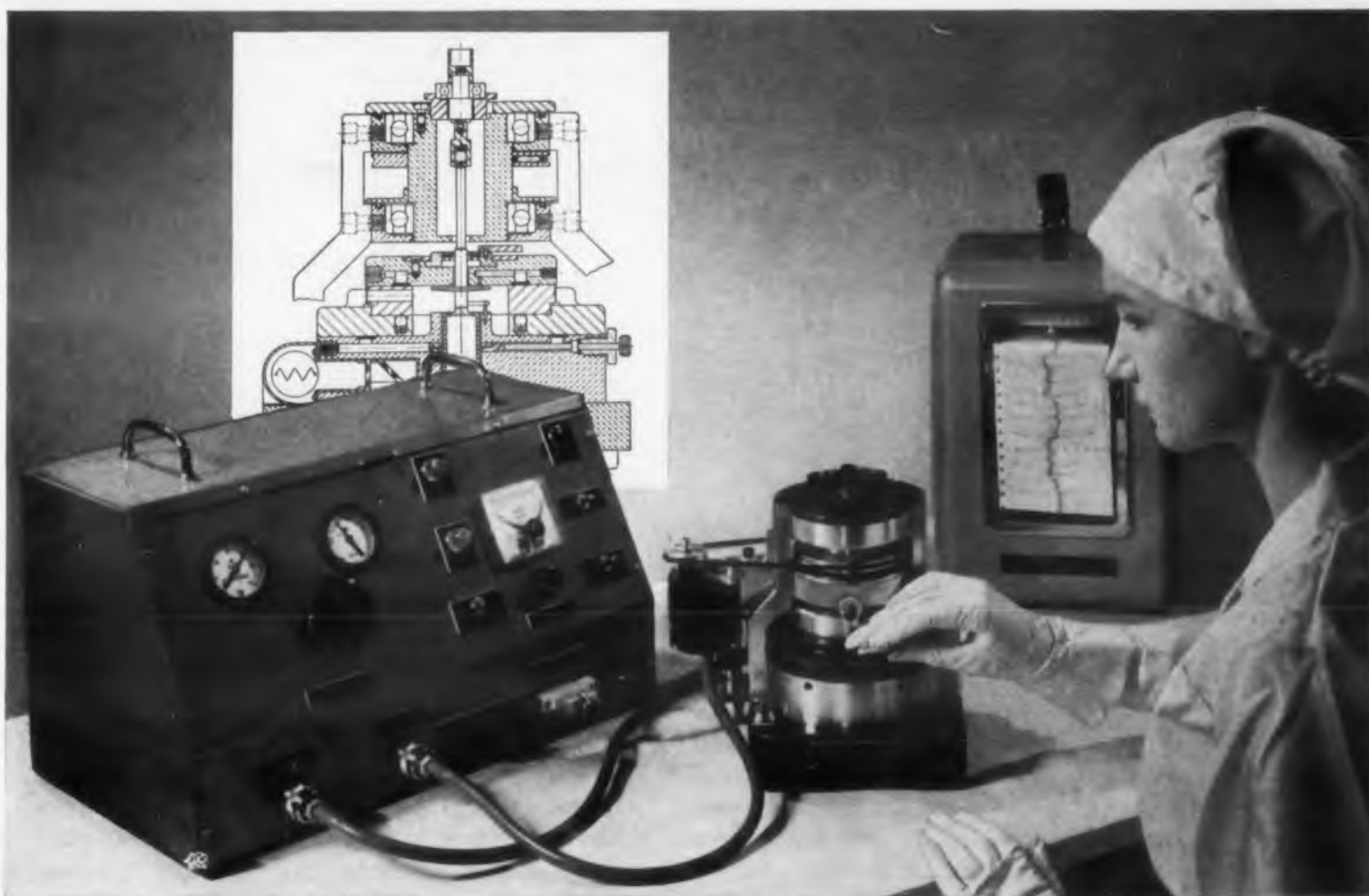
The basic AmpPlug module can be made by machining, compression, injection, or transfer molding. Thus, it can be made of any type of insulating material amenable to one or more of the above processes.

The Amp-Meca Program will be on display at the IRE Show. For more information on it, turn to the Reader-Service card and circle number 104.

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Fafnir automatic torque tester checks instrument ball bearings for cleanliness, geometry, surface finish, other conditions affecting performance. Recorder chart provides visual inspection, analysis.

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Improved Products and New Ones Await Inspection at IRE Show

Last January ELECTRONIC DESIGN queried manufacturers who planned to exhibit at this year's IRE Show.

We asked them what was "special" about the new products they would display. The answers are summarized here. For more details, see this issue's New Products Department, p 132; it contains technical data on close to 300 products, and most of these can be seen at the Show.

L. N. Tolopko
Associate Editor

THIS YEAR'S IRE Show will be the stage for the debut of many new products and many improved versions of standard products. Responses to an ELECTRONIC DESIGN questionnaire indicates that manufacturers will be tempting design engineers with products that have more reliability, more compactness, more special features. Brief descriptions of some of these products follow.

Test Equipment

Meters. In this category are many new, automatic, and improved units. Expanded scale voltmeters that give true rms readings of ac even when their frequencies vary or when they are distorted will be shown by the Weston Instruments Div. of Daystrom, Inc. The instrument has a transducer that provides the necessary means for converting the rms value of the input to the squared value of average dc current input.

Automatic range selection is the outstanding feature of an ac vtvm made by Allied Radio Corp. Instructions for the unit read: "Just touch probes to circuit under measurement, and a motor-driven selector switch automatically turns to the proper range and turns on a pilot light on the panel to show scale multiplier."

Automation is also the key feature of several other new products. A new microwave wattmeter has a bolometer bridge that automatically adjusts the dc bias power dissipated in the external bolometer; it's made by Daystrom Inc. Hewlett-Packard's display scanner has a pen-speed stabilizer that automatically controls the pen writing speed. It thus provides uniform, detailed plots over every part of the waveform and reduces scanning time. Hewlett-Packard will also show a meter that can automatically provide a continu-

ous noise figure presentation on most radar receivers.

Other automatic instruments include a digital deviation ohmmeter being shown by Electro Instruments, Inc. The device automatically measures resistance and presents results in percentage of deviation from a nominal value.

As for improved products, Southwestern Industrial Electronics Co. will offer a wide-range electronic voltmeter that measures ac and dc voltages from 1 mv to 100 v full scale in 14 ranges. Improvements in the unit: residual noise is now less than 20 mv on the 1 mv ac scale, and dc millivolt drift has been reduced to less than 50 μ v after warmup. A rotating-coil gaussmeter capable of measuring dc magnetic fields to an accuracy of 0.1% will be exhibited by Rawson Electrical Instrument Co. Their previous units had 1% accuracy. And Systron Corp. will show an all-electronic digital voltmeter that provides auto-polarity and auto-ranging—something not available on their previous models.

Another meter that incorporates improvements is the frequency measuring unit made by Beckman Instruments, Inc. It digitally shows any frequency from 10 cps to 110 mc with an accuracy of 0.00004%. To cover this range with the same accuracy in the past, two of their instruments working in combination were necessary.

A "first" will be offered by Metronix, Inc. It will show a meter that is "believed to be the first combination ac and dc electronic voltmeter ever offered for half relay-rack mounting." It has 10 standard voltage ranges in both ac and dc up to 300 v. Another unusual claim is being made by Electronic Applications, Inc. It will exhibit a very low-range ohmmeter that will read directly the internal resistance of storage and primary bat-

teries with and without loads. The company claims that there is no equivalent equipment on the market. As for future developments in this type of product, they say: "Somebody will try to copy it."

Testers. Several new semiconductor test units will be on display at the Show. Hickock Electrical Instrument Co. will have a transistor beta tester that tests transistors according to manufacturers' specifications. Says the company, "Beta measurements not made at the current and voltages established by the transistor manufacturers are meaningless." An automatic transistor test unit, made by Optimized Devices, Inc., is claimed to "cut manpower costs ten to one and increase test reliability."

Another automatic tester will handle diodes, capacitors and resistors at an average rate of 3500 pieces per hour. Made by Universal Instrument Corp., the machine will physically orient each axial-lead component in the direction of its polarity. A diode tester capable of generating and displaying the millimicrosecond recovery characteristics of ultra-fast switching diodes on conventional oscilloscopes is being shown by Lumatron Electronics, Inc. The unit has a test fixture for rapid, manual insertion of ccaxial lead diodes.

New equipment to test instruments will also be on exhibit. Daystrom, Inc. will show an instrument calibration unit that has 0.05% accuracy, and panel instruments featuring expanded scales. A new tester to check the operation and accuracy of voltmeters, ammeters and ohmmeters will be brought to the Show by Mid-Eastern Electronics.

Components

Semiconductors. This category will include many

new products. Sylvania is bringing microwave mixer diodes with the "lowest available noise figure." They will provide a receiver system with a "realistic" 7.5 db overall noise figure at the Ku band. A total of 331 new semiconductor devices in five product categories (Zener diodes, mesa transistors, rectifiers, and alloy and power transistors) will be introduced by the Semiconductor Div. of Motorola. The company is also announcing its new quality assurance program called "Meg-A-Life." Three industrial alloy transistors are the first units made under this program. Each production lot of these transistors undergoes complete electrical, mechanical, environmental and life tests identical to those required for military approved units.

A new line of diffused silicon mesa transistors will be shown by Industro Transistor Corp. The units are designed for medium power, small-signal amplifier and switching applications.

Tubes. Look for new and improved units in this category. A 5-kw cw power klystron that is claimed to have highest power available today in a single tube at X-band will be shown by Varian Associates. Varian will also show, among other things, a two-resonator oscillator klystron that is "even more compact than previous models." The "most sensational" product Alfred Electronics will show is a general frequency microwave oscillator. The power supply of this unit has a reset in the rear to insert a generator head for the frequency spectrum desired. The "plug-in" generator will include primarily a backward wave oscillator tube and solenoid with a calibrated dial chart for insertion into a front panel holder.

Other additions to the tube category include General Electric's new L-band, electronically tunable oscillator. Huggins Laboratories is showing an electrostatically focused 1-w traveling wave tube in which, they report, substantial savings in weight and size have been effected. Sperry's Tube Division is heralding a new line of medium-power, traveling wave tubes that cover the complete range of P to X bands. Small signal gain for the tubes ranges from 35 to 55 db, minimum—higher, it is reported, than provided by any other known family of tubes.

Potentiometers. Ace Electronics Associates, Inc., makes this claim about a unit they are showing: "The first 1/2-in. precision conductive plastic potentiometer in the industry." Resistance range, for the units, is 250 ohms to 150 K.

Another unit with reported special features is a wirewound, bushing-type mounting potentiometer being shown by Waters Manufacturing, Inc. The unit requires "up to 25% less space behind the panel than potentiometers having identical specifications."

New potentiometers will also be shown by several other companies. The Helipot Div. of Beck-



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man Instruments, Inc., for example, will bring with them three new trimmer potentiometers. Dale Products will show a 25-turn, T-Pot unit with completely welded construction of all fixed connections and sealed construction for maximum protection against severe environmental conditions. And Chicago Aerial Industries, Inc., will have in their booth a new, extended line of all metal, precision potentiometers that are single-turn units. They have all metal construction, with glass-to-metal terminals.

As for improved units, DeJur-Amsco Corp. is showing a ball-bearing, precision potentiometer with a one-piece molded housing and complete phenolic envelope inside. It has "improved linearity and lower starting and running torque."

Relays. Response to *ED's* questionnaire shows that many new units will be offered. Guardian Electric Mfg. Co. will have a new series of miniature dc relays with 6pdt contact combinations rated at 5 amp. They'll also demonstrate a new impulse relay designed to "insure long life, trouble free operation well in excess of 1 million steps." Side mounted relays designed for printed circuit boards will be displayed by Electronic Components. The relays have an overall height not exceeding 0.4 in. Lastly, a 2-pole subminiature, crystal case relay is one of the new units being shown by the Union Switch & Signal Division of Westinghouse. One feature of the relays that is claimed to be unique, is the armature suspension system that is designed to meet a high level of vibration.

Connectors. Improvement seems to be the key here. New features have been added to the Multi-Terminal connector series made by North Electric Co. These improvements include a handy locking bolt for securing the plug to the receptacle, and an easily removable cover with a captive screw for rapid wiring or checking. Printed circuit board connectors made by Winchester Electronics, Inc. have been improved; they now conform to MIL-C-21097.

As for new units, two new printed circuit connectors will be shown by Continental Connector Corp. One is a right angle plug and socket series with 28 contacts; the other is a 28-contact test point connected with right angle pins for dip soldering to the board. Elco Corporation's new series of Varicon connectors will be shown; the microminature rack and panel units are made of hermaphroditic design.

Materials. Efforts continue here to produce material that will withstand higher temperatures. Two new high temperature laminates will be shown by Synthane Corp. They can be used at temperatures up to 500 F. One is an asbestos mat plastic, and the other is a glass fabric plastic. A fire retardant epoxy casting resin that may be cured at room temperatures will be brought by Emerson &

Cuming, Inc. It is designed to be stable over a temperature range of -100 to $+350$ F. Furane Plastics, Inc. will have insulating resins that have better dielectric properties at elevated temperatures. And Kanthal Corp. will show resistance wires that can operate continuously at temperatures up to 250 C and to 300 C for short periods of time. The wires are covered with a dual-layer insulation. The base layer consists of a thin inorganic ceramic coating; the overlay is made of Teflon.

Sub Assemblies

Recorders. A miniature airborne tape recording system, possibly the "smallest 28-channel recording device ever designed for space, air and industrial use," will be shown by the Leach Corp. It has a diameter of 6.25 in. and a length of 6.5 in.; weight is less than 10 lb. Also of interest is an eight channel direct writing rectilinear recording system being shown by Cohu Electronics, Inc. It has a 40 millimeter amplitude and a frequency response to 100 cps, features unavailable in products they've made before.

Power Supplies. Look for new units in this category. Power Sources, Inc., for example, will bring two new lines of transistor-regulated power supplies (one for low voltage and the other for high voltage applications). The units are claimed to be "half the size and weight of comparable tube-type supplies"; they are backed by a 5-yr warranty which includes all components. A series of power supplies with line regulation of 0.005%, ripple less than $500 \mu\text{v}$, and overshoot less than 1% (unavailable in similar products made by the company before) will be brought to the Show by Mid-Eastern, Inc. Quan-Tech Laboratories is introducing a constant current supply. Unique with this instrument, they say, is that the output voltage can be read on the meter by a simple flip of a front panel switch. They will also bring with them a new series of transistorized, low voltage power supplies; big feature is a regulation of 0.01% from no load to full load.

Generators. Lots of new generators will be at the show. Rutherford Electronics Co. will have a new pulse generator with repetition rates continuously variable from 1 cps to 10 mc with a rise and fall time of less than $8 \mu\text{sec}$. A four-channel millimicrosecond current pulse generator that operates to frequencies above 3 mc will be shown by Electro-Pulse, Inc. A crystal frequency synthesizer that is capable of producing over 64,000 discrete frequencies with a stability of better than 1×10^{-8} per day will be put on display by Manson Laboratories. A transistorized, battery powered signal generator with a continuously variable frequency range from 2 cps to 200 kc and a 1 v rms output and less than 1% distortion will be presented by Southwestern Industrial Electronics Co. ■ ■

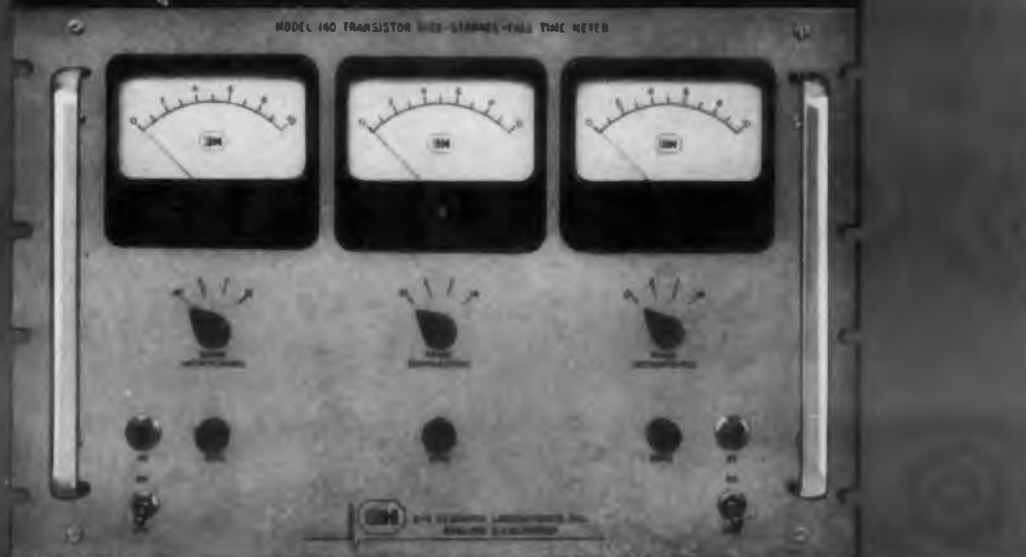


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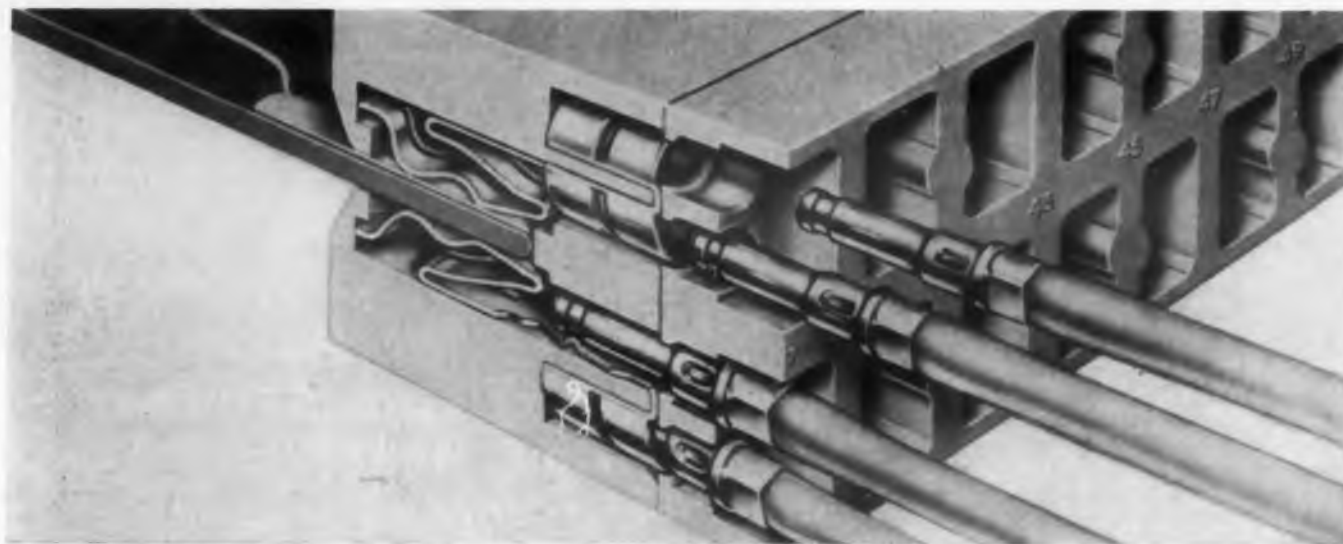
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Burndy Corp., Dept. ED, Norwalk, Conn.

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Electronic Research Associates, Inc., Dept. ED, 67 Factory Place, Cedar Grove, N.J.

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Amperex Electronic Corp., Dept. ED, 230 Duffy Ave., Hicksville, L.I., N.Y.

Availability: Immediately available in sample and pre-production quantities.

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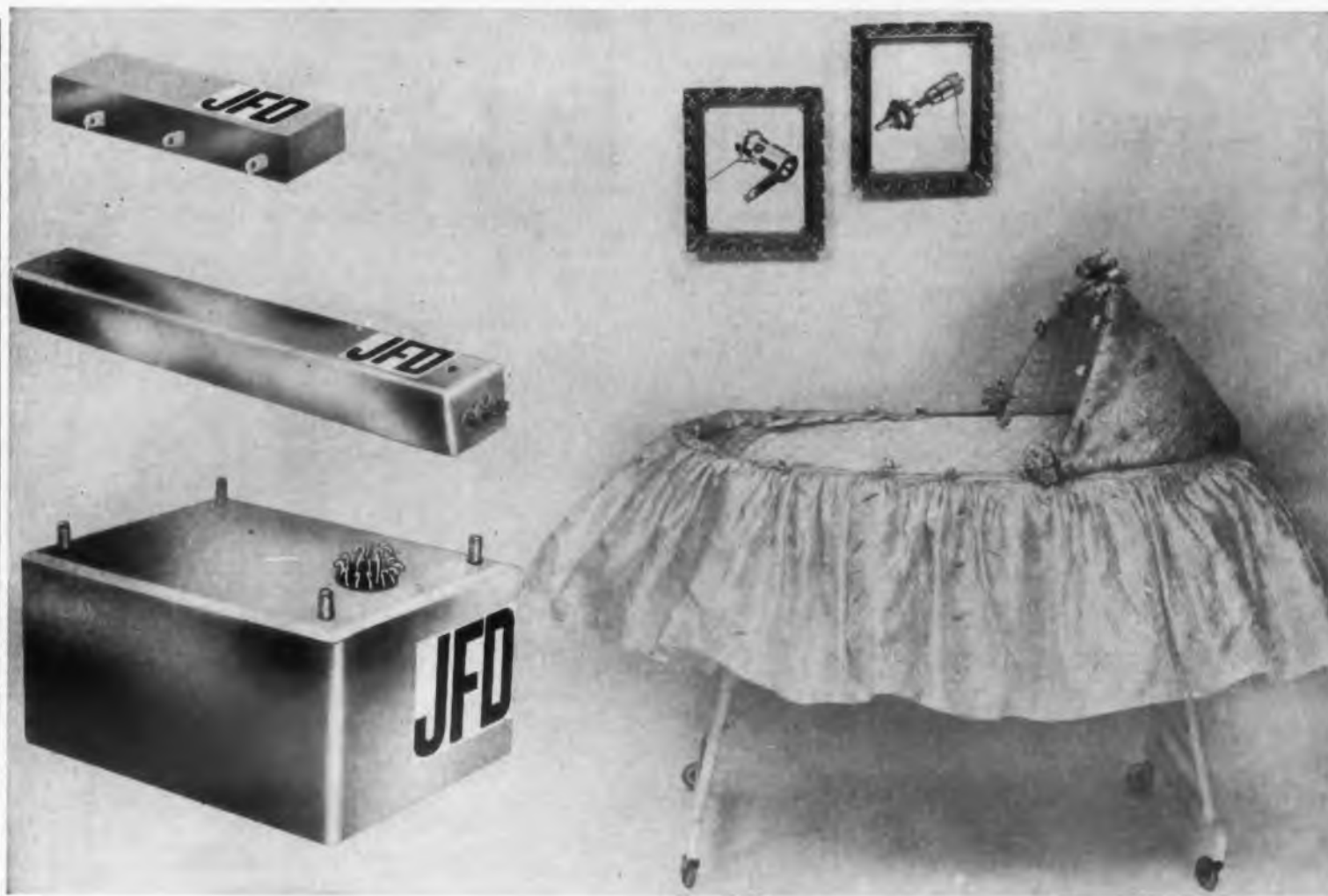


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| .5 | 1 1/4 x 1 1/4 x 2 5/8 | 1.0 | 1 5/8 x 1 5/8 x 3 1/4 | 2.5 | 1 3/4 x 1 3/4 x 3 1/2 |
| .3 | 1 3/8 x 1 3/8 x 2 3/4 | .6 | 1 3/4 x 1 3/4 x 3 1/2 | 1.5 | 2 1/4 x 2 1/4 x 4 7/8 |
| .15 | 2 1/4 x 2 1/4 x 4 1/2 | .3 | 2 1/4 x 2 1/4 x 4 1/2 | .75 | 2 3/4 x 2 3/4 x 5 1/2 |

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| I _R | Reverse Current | | .100 μ A | @ V _R = -30v, 25°C |
| V _F | Forward Voltage Drop | | 1 v | @ I _F = 10 mA |
| C | Capacitance | | 2 μ f | @ V _R = 0v |
| t _{rr} | Reverse Recovery Time To I _r = 1 ma | | 4 m μ s | @ I _F = I _r = 10 ma |
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Sage Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED,
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Environmental Chamber 569

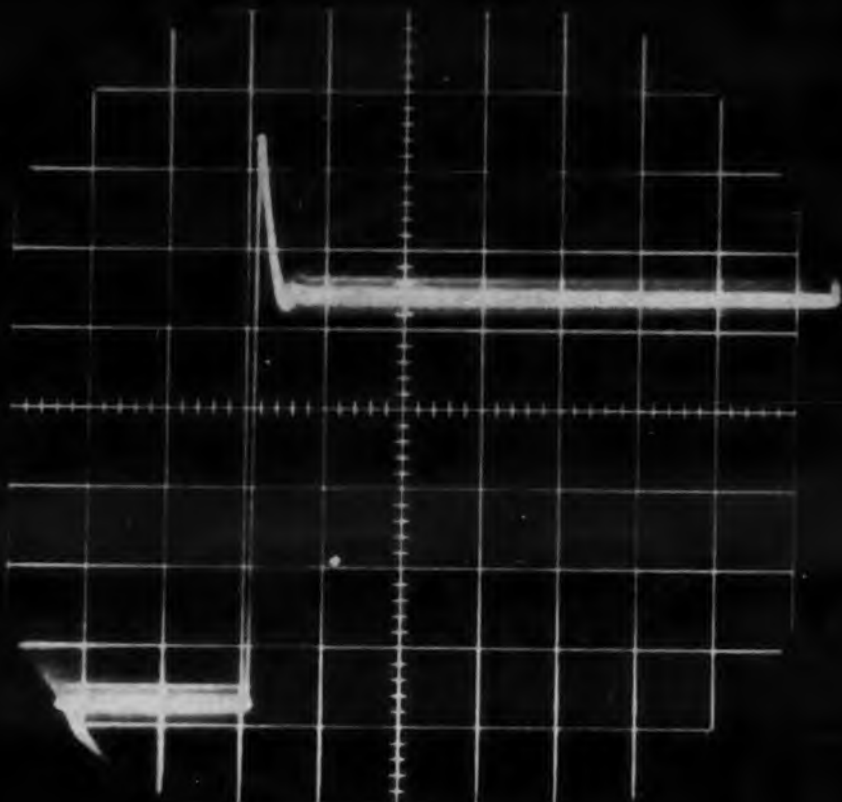
Simulates high altitudes and extreme heat

This environmental chamber is able to produce 1200 F of radiant heat under altitude conditions of 500,000 ft or 1×10^{-6} mm Hg absolute. A vapor trap insures efficient operation of the vacuum pump and an automatic, hot-gas defrost takes care of frost on the coils. Exterior dimensions, including machinery and instrumentation, are about 4 x 8 x 7 ft. Inside work space is a cylinder measuring 30 in. in diameter and 30 in. in depth. The chamber has applications in the testing of components and assemblies for space programs.

Tenney Engineering, Inc., Dept. ED, Union, N.J.

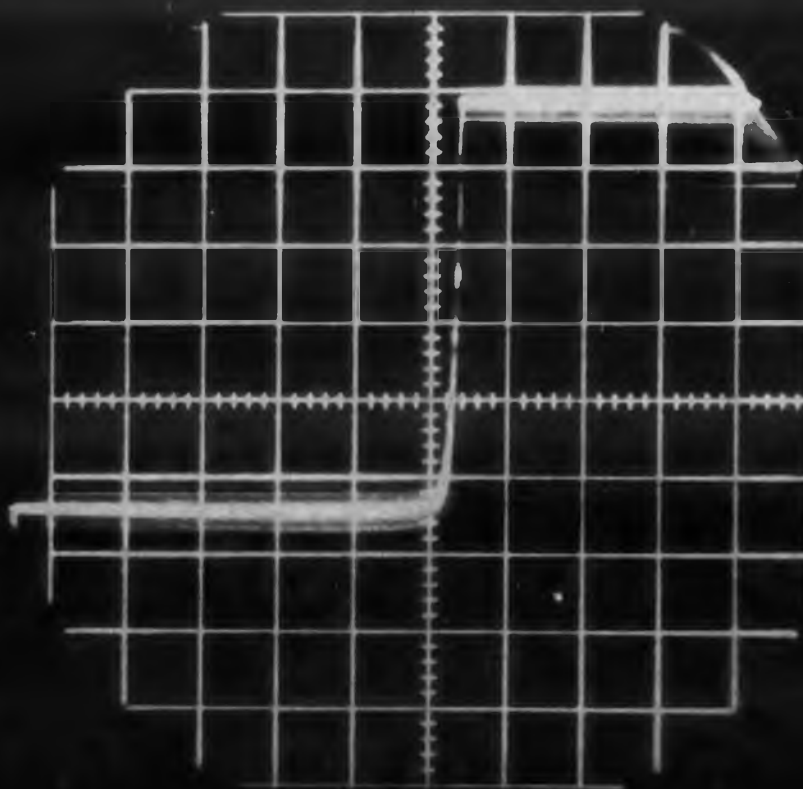
Availability: The unit can be delivered 8 to 10 weeks after receipt of order.

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Actual photographs of power supply turn-on at 28v setting. Scope settings: 5v per cm vertical, 0.2 sec. per cm horizontal.

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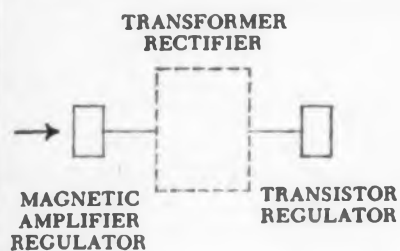
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| MTR060-5 A | 0-60 | 5 | ±10MV | ±25MV | ±10MV | ±.3V | 95-135 | 1 | 2MV |
| MTR036-5 | 0-36 | 5 | ±10MV | ±10MV | ±10MV | ±.2V | 105-125 | 1 | 1MV |
| MTR036-15 | 0-36 | 15 | ±10MV | ±10MV | ±10MV | ±.2V | 105-125 | 1 | 1MV |
| MTR636-15 | 6-36 | 15 | ±25MV | ±50MV | ±25MV | ±.75V | 105-125 | 1 | 5MV |
| MTR636-30 | 6-36 | 30 | ±25MV | ±75MV | ±25MV | ±.85V | 105-125 | 1 | 5MV |
| MTR615-5 | 6-15 | 5 | ±10MV | ±50MV | ±0.1% | ±.2V | 105-125 | 1 | 3MV |
| MTR28-2 | 24-32 | 2 | ±0.1% | ±0.1% | ±0.1% | ±.2V | 105-125 | 1 | 5MV |
| MTR28-3 | 24-32 | 3 | ±0.1% | ±0.1% | ±0.1% | ±.3V | 105-125 | 1 | 5MV |
| MTR28-5 | 24-32 | 5 | ±0.1% | ±0.1% | ±0.1% | ±.3V | 105-125 | 1 | 5MV |
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Variable Toroidal Inductors

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Microminiature



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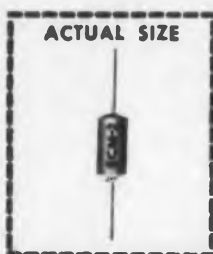
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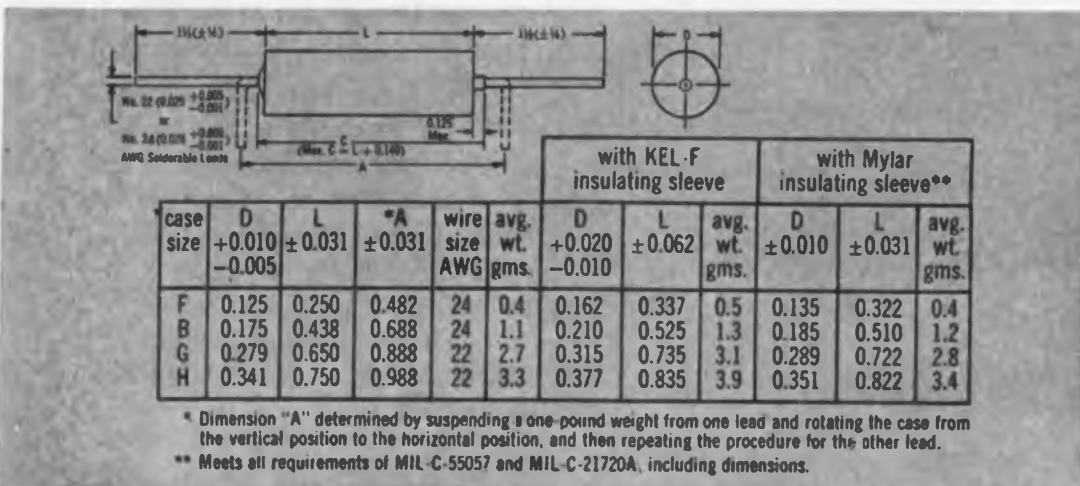
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Weston Instruments, Daystrom, Inc., Dept. ED, 614 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 12, N.J.
 Booth 1708-1710-1809.

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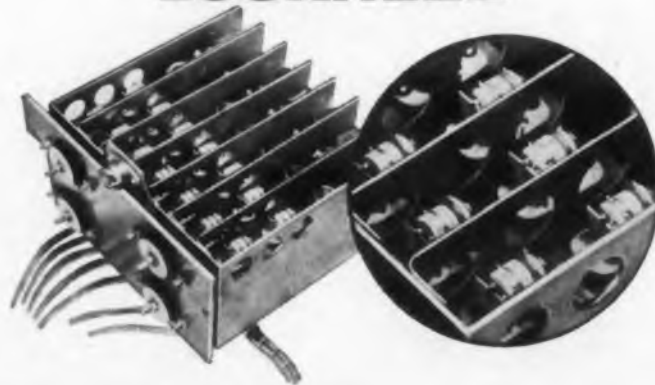
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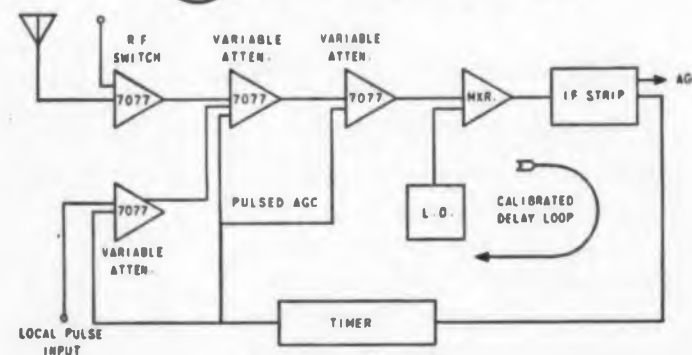
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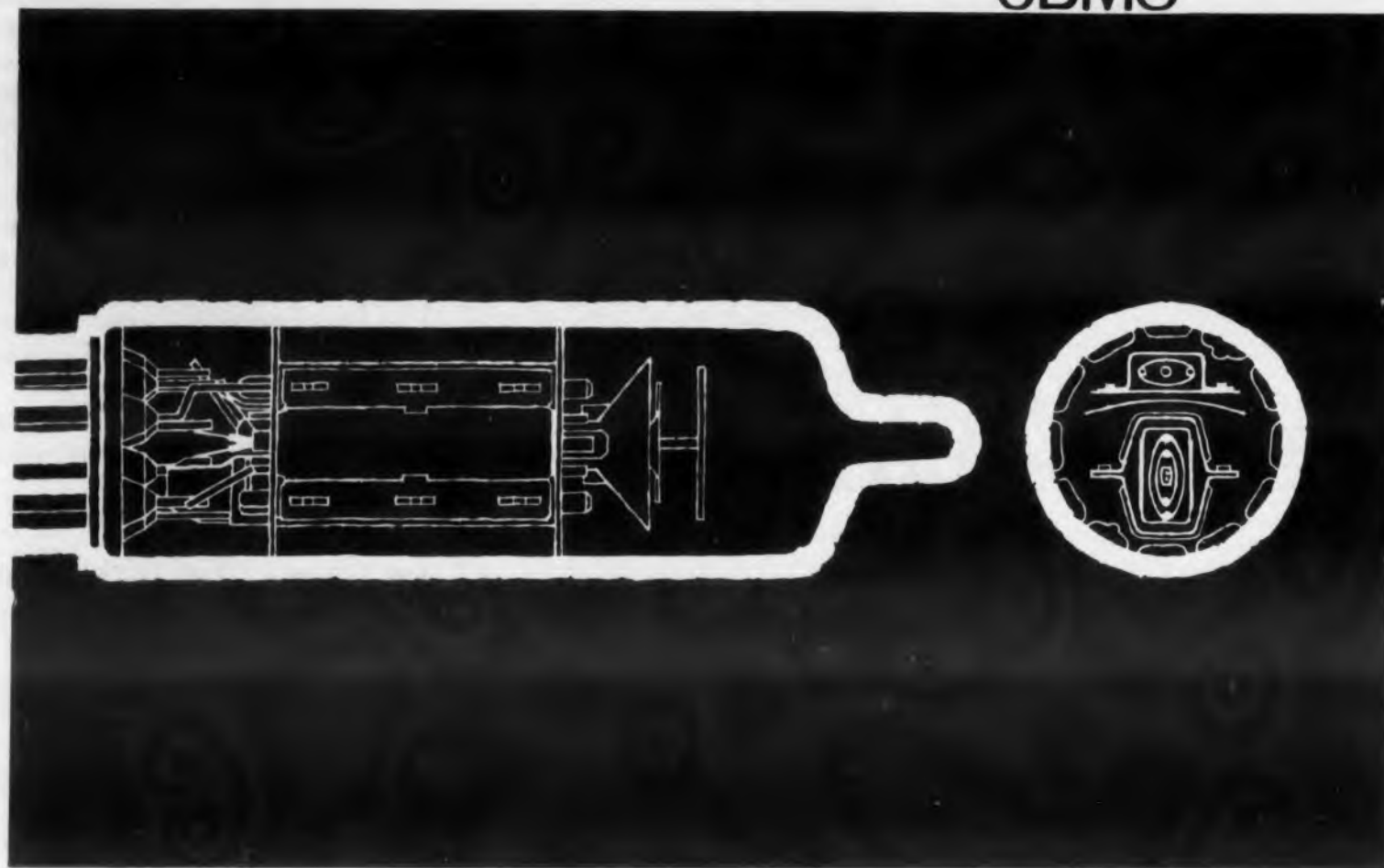


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| V_{r2} | 200 | 250 | V |
| I_a | 35 | 28 | mA |
| I_{r2} | 7.0 | 5.7 | mA |
| V_{r1} | -16 | -22.5 | V |
| g_m | 6.4 | 5.0 | mA/V |
| r_a | 20 | 25 | k Ω |
| μ_{r1-r2} | 9.5 | 9.5 | |

Triode section

| | | |
|-------|-----|------------|
| V_a | 100 | V |
| I_a | 3.5 | mA |
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|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---|---------|--|---|---------|
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| | | | @ 25°C | @ 100°C | | @ 25°C | @ 100°C |
| 1N1730 | 1000 | 700 | 200 | 100 | 5 | 10 | 100 |
| 1N1731 | 1500 | 1050 | 200 | 100 | 5 | 10 | 100 |
| 1N1732 | 2000 | 1400 | 200 | 100 | 9 | 10 | 100 |
| 1N1733 | 3000 | 2100 | 150 | 75 | 12 | 10 | 100 |
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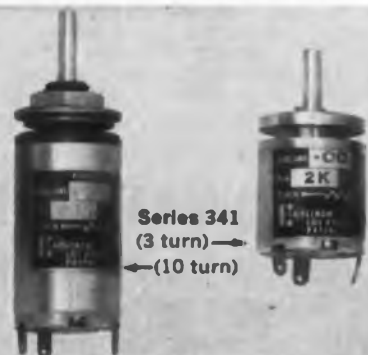
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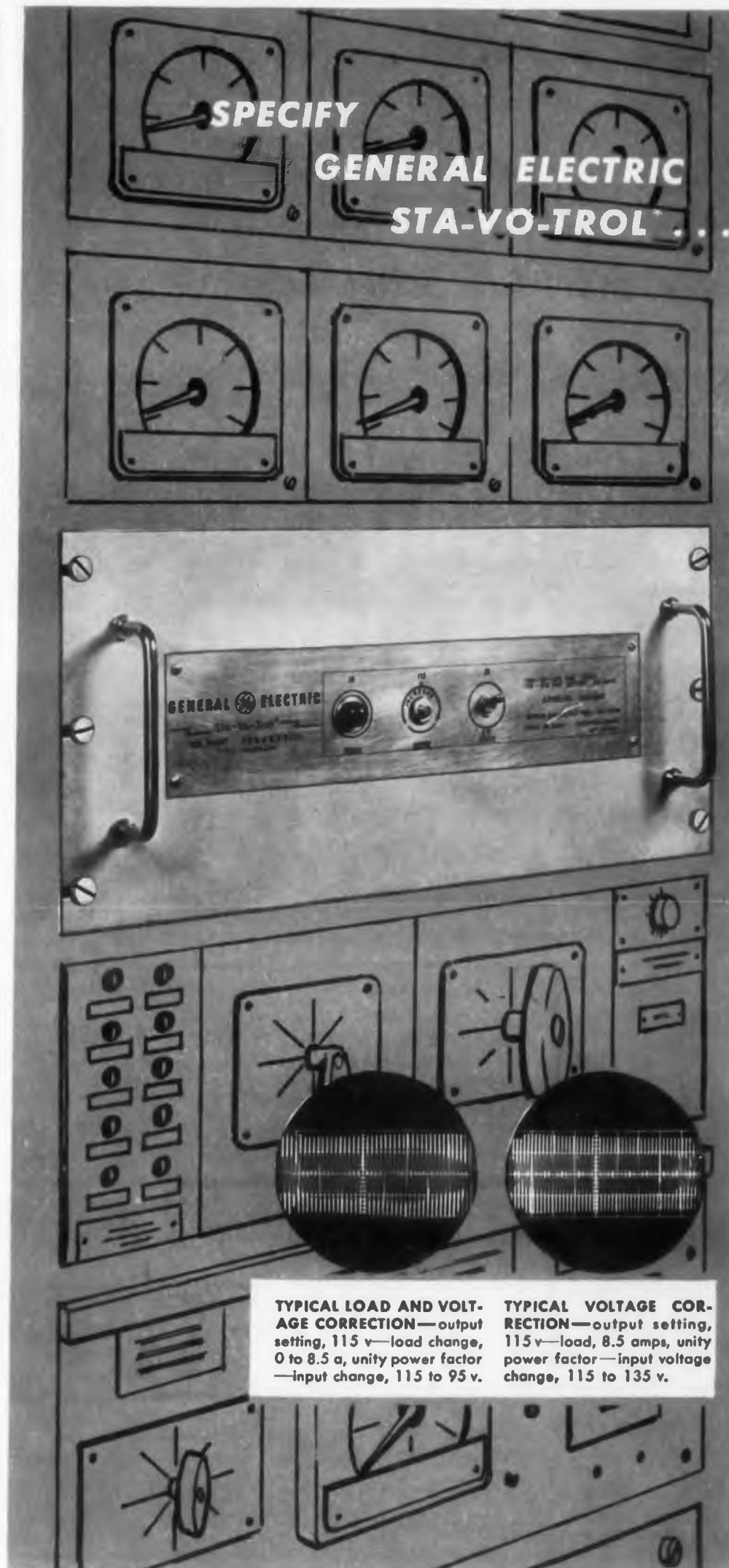
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Type VA-824B microwave amplifier tube is made for use in airborne systems. Mid-band saturated output is 5 w; power gains are up to 10 db. The basic operating range is 9.78 to 9.82 kmc. Convection cooling is employed. The tube can be used in continuous or pulse-modulated amplification or for synchrodyne or serrodyne frequency shifting. It weighs 9 oz and measures 1-1/2 x 2-1/4 x 3-3/8 in.

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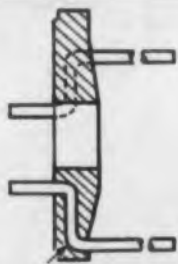
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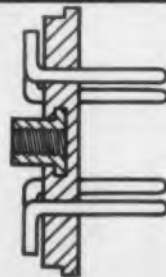
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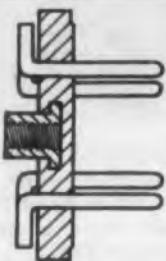
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Booth 3609-3611.

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666

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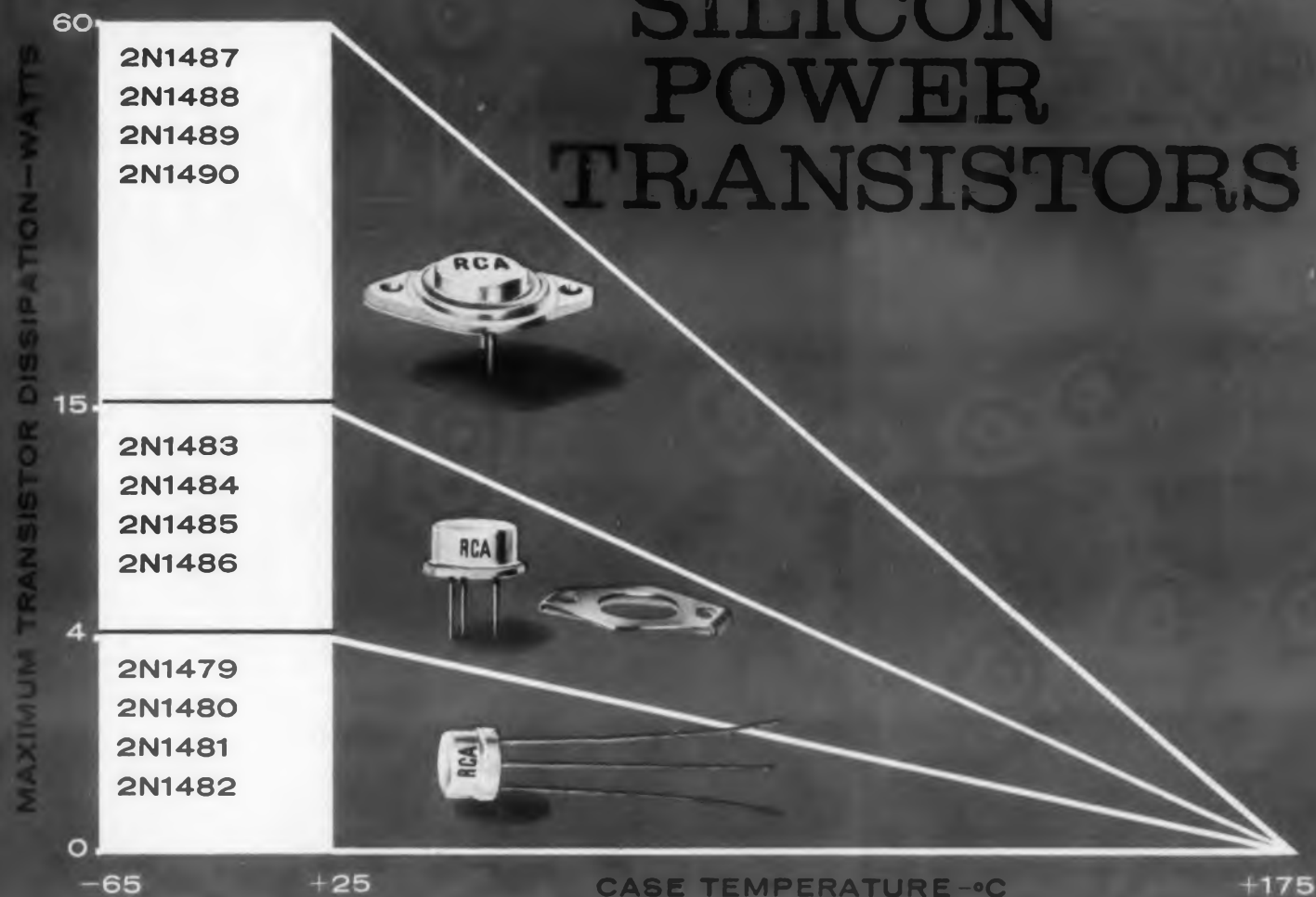
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| 2N1482 | 100 | 55 | 1.5 | 10 | 7 | 25-100 |
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| 2N1484 | 100 | 55 | 3 | 15 | 2.67 | 15-75 |
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| 2N1488 | 100 | 55 | 6 | 25 | 2.00 | 10-50 |
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| 2 | 0.30 | 1.5 | 0.9 | 0.25 | |
| 3 | 0.35 | 2.2 | 1.5 | 0.25 | |
| 4 | 0.42 | 3.2 | 2.2 | 0.25 | |
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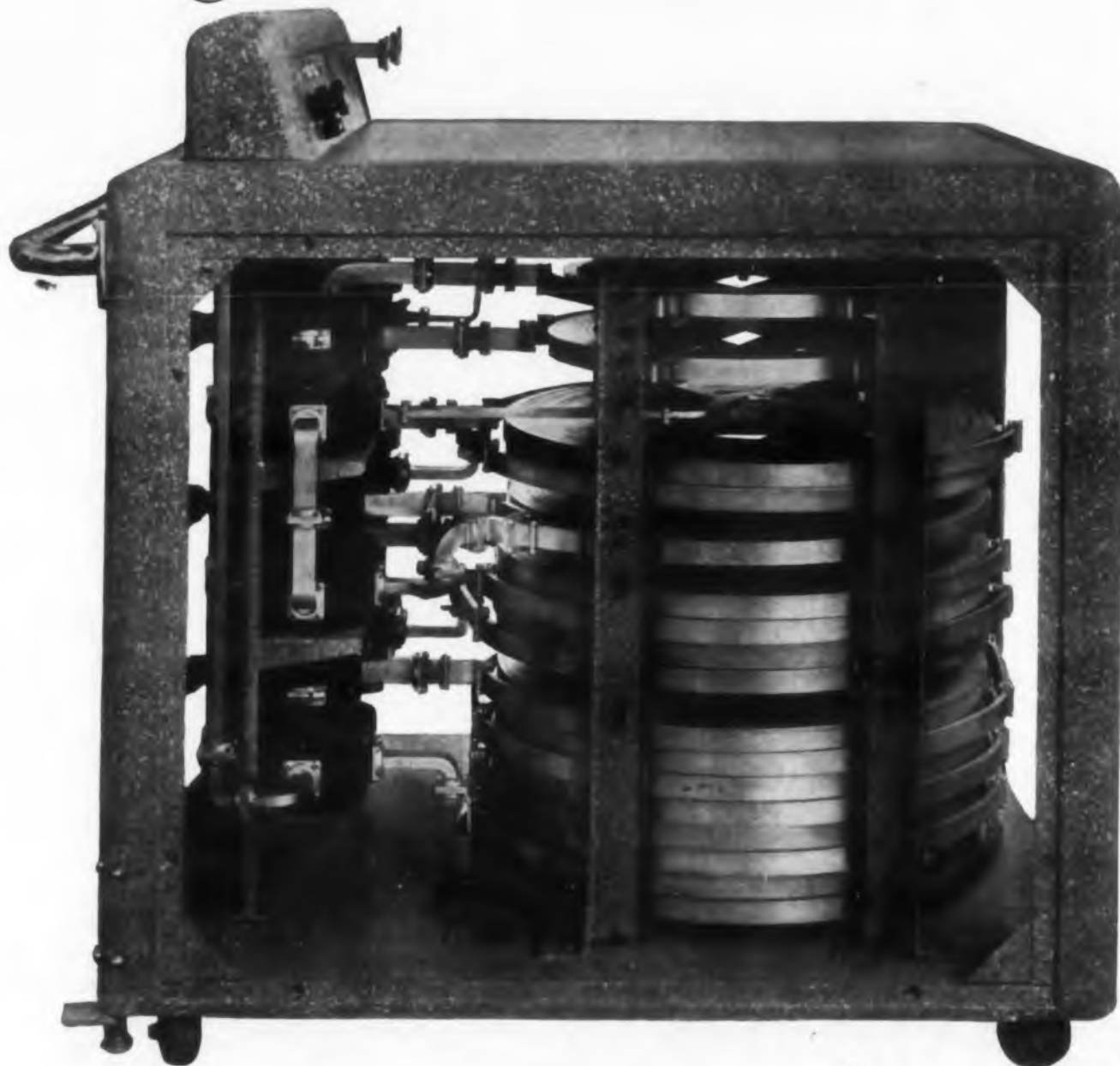
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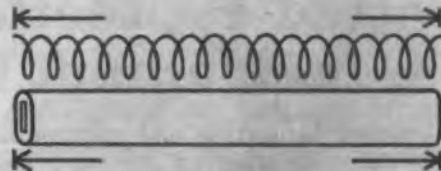
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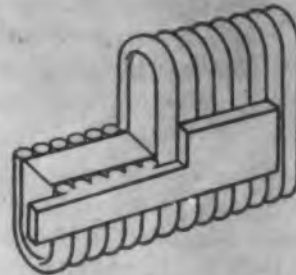
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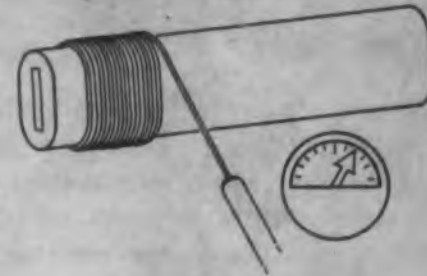
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Muirhead Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 441 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N.Y.
Price: \$11,250 *job* New York.
Booth 3230.

Power Supply

For reflex klystron tubes



Model V-7405 power supply, designed for operating reflex klystron tubes in laboratory and test applications, has a regulated beam voltage of 150 to 850 v. A coarse beam voltage-control provides for selection of the necessary operating range in 100-v steps, and a fine-control adjusts the voltage within the selected operating range. The reflector supply voltage is 20 to 800 v. The regulation and filter circuits of the reflector supply reduce the ripple to less than 20 μ v rms. The reflector supply may be internally modulated with square-wave, saw-tooth, or sine-wave modulation.

Varian Assoc., Dept. ED, 611 Hansen Way, Palo Alto, Calif.

Availability: The unit can be delivered in 90 days.
Booth 2714-2720.

SILICONE NEWS from Dow Corning

NEW: "Solid-State" Fluid



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The newest development in potting and encapsulating materials is Dow Corning Dielectric Gel. Supplied as a crystal clear fluid plus catalyst, it pours easily into assemblies and sub-assemblies, fills every void, sets up to a firm, pliable, transparent gel. The gelled mass exerts virtually no stress on components; has excellent adhesion; will not displace if vibrated or inverted. Potted components and connections are visible, probes can be inserted through it for instrument checking. When probes are removed, the gel heals itself, leaving no voids.

Here's how Dielectric Gel aids miniaturization: When designing the high voltage power supply for their new Photoscan airborne reconnaissance system, CBS Laboratories Division of Columbia Broadcasting System Inc., had to meet stringent reliability requirements despite elevated temperatures, high vibration levels, severe size and weight limitations. Their new design and miniaturization techniques were made possible by Dielectric Gel.

Requiring only 0.09 cubic feet complete, with components spaced less than $\frac{1}{4}$ " apart without danger of arcing, the new power supply provides output voltages that can be regulated from 1,000 to 25,000 volts. Current capacity at 25 kv is well over 100 microamperes. This power supply is an integral part of Photoscan, a universal visual intelligence-gathering, processing and transmitting system which can readily be installed in virtually any missile or air-borne vehicle. The units are small, light in weight, simple to install and service.

| PROPERTIES OF CURED DIELECTRIC GEL | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Color | Water White | |
| Specific Gravity at 25 C | | 0.970 |
| Coefficient of Thermal Conductivity: | | |
| (cal per cm °C sec) | 150 C | 0.00070 |
| | 200 C | 0.00078 |
| Electric Strength*, volts per mil | | 800 |
| Dielectric Constant† | 23 C | 150 C |
| 100 cps - 0.1 Mcs | 3.0 | 2.6 |
| Dissipation Factor† | | |
| 100 cps | 0.0005 | 0.002 |
| 1.0 kc | 0.0005 | 0.0005 |
| 0.1 Mcs | 0.0001 | 0.0001 |
| Volume Resistivity†, ohm-cm | 1×10^{15} | 1×10^{14} |

* 60 cycles, rapid rise, 0.020 inch-spacing of 0.5 inch-diameter spherical electrodes.

† Using 54 mmfd fixed air capacitor, Cardwell type, ER-50-FS as electrodes, ASTM D150-54T and D1169-52T.

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In the geophysical well-logging instrument shown, Schlumberger Well Surveying Corporation specified terminal boards of silicone-glass laminate. The silicone laminate proved more reliable under operating conditions and easier to fabricate than other materials.

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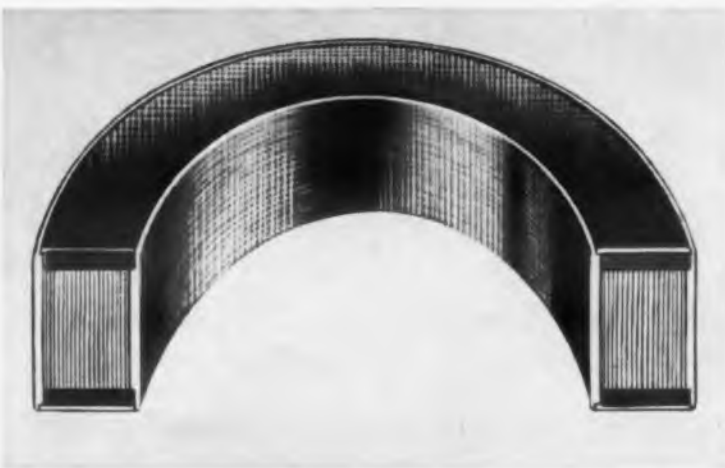
Silastic Assures Reliability Of Miniature Tube

Here's a good example of how miniaturization is aided by Silastic®, the Dow Corning silicone rubber.

A single tube from the line of Beam Switching Tubes developed by the Electronic Tube Division of Burroughs Corporation can replace as many as 90 transistors, diodes and resistors in electronic distributing, switching, and counting circuits. But proper operation and continued reliability depend upon the relationship of crossed magnetic and electrical fields . . . determined by the relative position of the glass envelope and the magnet which surrounds it. This positioning is very critical.

A cushion of Silastic assures proper alignment, bonds the glass envelope and magnet, provides greater shock resistance than any other material tested . . . contributes to the ease with which the tube meets military shock, vibration and other environmental requirements. Easily applied by simple injection techniques, Silastic is also used between magnet and tube shield.

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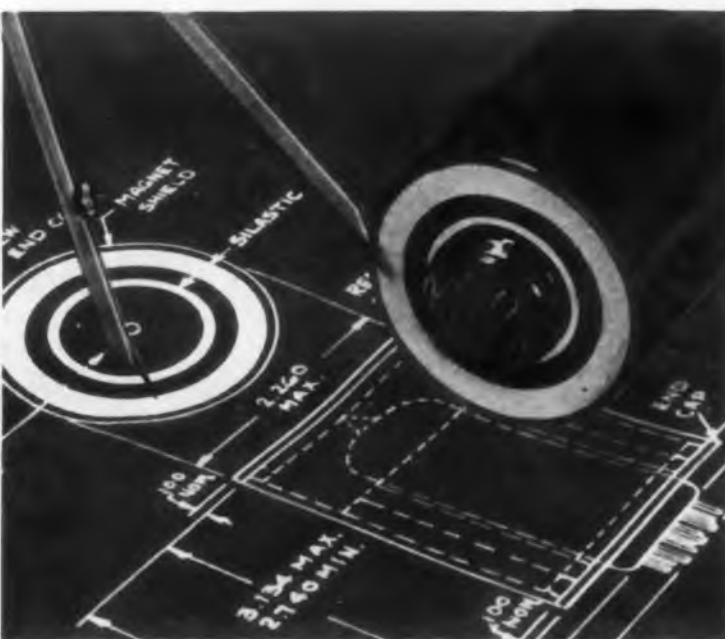


Silicone Compounds Cushion Small Cores

Tape wound toroidal cores, in both miniature and large sizes, are cushioned with silicone compounds between core and outer box by Magnetics Inc. Through the damping effects of the grease-like Dow Corning compounds, their phenolic-boxed cores are protected against vibration, shock effects and strain due to temperature change. They're "performance-guaranteed" up to 177°C.

Dow Corning silicone compounds were selected because they're inert, have high heat resistance and are easily applied. The compounds are nongumming, nonmelting, maintain a stable viscosity from -75 to 200 C. They have excellent dielectric, damping and heat-dissipation qualities, and are superior barriers to moisture. Other firms use silicone compounds for heat-sinks, sealants and similar applications, both mechanical and electrical.

CIRCLE 803 ON READER-SERVICE CARD



VISIT BOOTHS 4501-4503 AT IRE SHOW

Analyzer-Oscillator

550

Frequency range is 200 cps to 650 kc



Model D-888-A analyzer-oscillator, having a frequency range of 200 cps to 650 kc, can be used as a frequency analyzer or as an oscillator. Made for laboratory use, the instrument has an accuracy of 2%. A three-stage amplifier, using amplified, negative feedback, provides for frequency selection. When the instrument operates as an analyzer, the selectivity corresponds to a Q-factor of 70 or more and an octave discrimination of 40 db. An input of 1 mv gives an output of 10 v into 1000 ohms. As an oscillator, the instrument has the output connected back to the input stage. The output is variable and has a maximum value of 2.5 v into 600 ohms. The unit comes in a portable bench mounting cabinet with over-all dimensions of 17.5 x 10.5 x 13 in.

Muirhead Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 441 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N.Y.
Price: \$1220 *job New York.*
Booth 3230.

Magnetic Latching Relay

559

Is rated at 10 amp



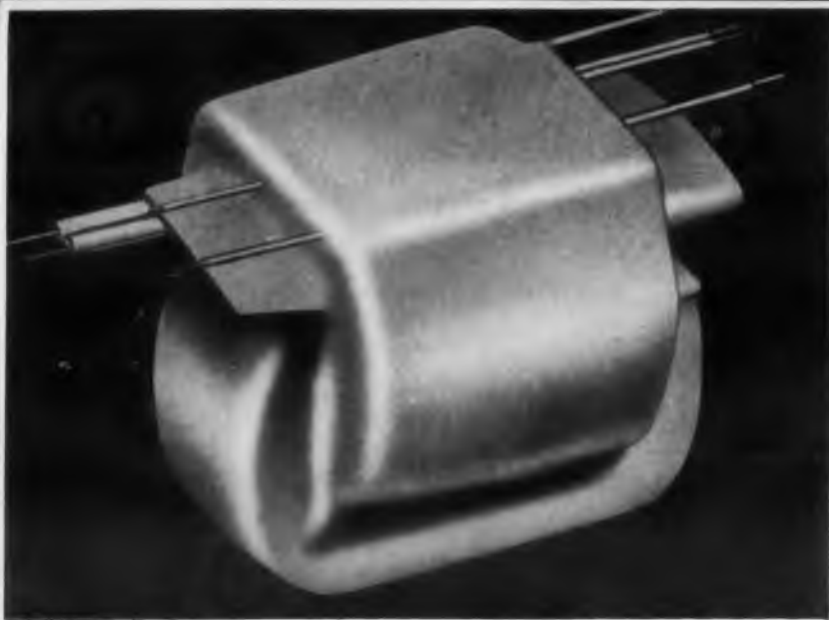
Type BR-9 magnetic latching relay is rated at 10 amp. Able to operate on 100 mw, this dpdt relay weighs about 1 oz and has a life expectancy of 100,000 cycles at 125 C. It stands 50 g shock for 11 msec and 30 g vibration from 10 to 2000 cps. Maximum coil dissipation is 3 w. The requirements of MIL-R-5757C and 25018 are met.

Babcock Relays, Inc., Dept. ED, 1640 Monrovia Ave., Costa Mesa, Calif.
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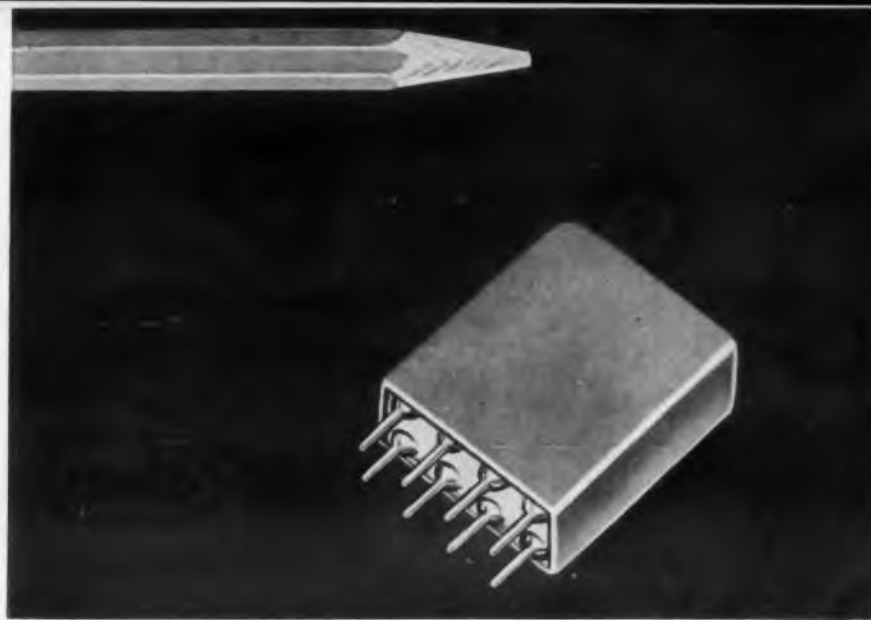
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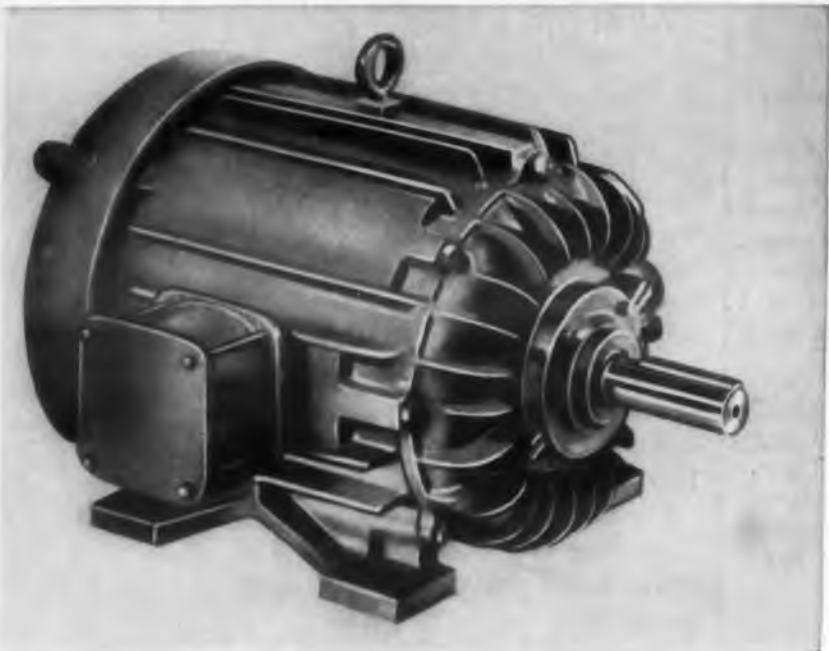
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International Rectifier Corp., Dept. ED, 1521 E. Grand Ave., El-Segundo, Calif.

Price & Availability: The 6-amp units are priced at \$3.95 to \$16.95 ea in quantities of 1 to 99; the 12-amp units are priced at \$4 to \$17.60 in quantities of 1 to 99. Delivery is from stock.

Booth 2901-2903.

Wire and Cable Tubing

532

Made of irradiated polyethylene

This irradiated polyethylene Zippertubing is for jacketing wires and cables which are subjected to gamma and beta rays. The tubing has a life expectancy of 5 yr when used in the presence of nuclear reactors. It also withstands both high and low temperature extremes and offers protection against chemicals.

Zippertubing Co., Dept. ED, 752 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles, Calif.

Availability: The product is available from stock.

Booth 4044.

◀ CIRCLE 148 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

Meter Calibrator 538

Accuracy is 0.5%

This meter calibrator, for checking ohmmeters, dc microammeters, dc milliammeters, dc ammeters, and ac and dc voltmeters, has a full-scale accuracy of 0.5%. Ranges are between 0 to 2.5 and 0 to 500 v ac and dc, between 0 to 100 μ a and 0 to 1 amp, and from 1 ohm to 1000 meg. The calibrator is suitable for production uses and can be used in military applications. The unit is completely solid state. It measures 10.5 x 19 x 15 in.

Mid-Eastern Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 32 Commerce St., Springfield, N.J.

Price: \$995 ea.

Booth 3009.

Insulation Cutter 536

Handles tubing from 3/8 to 1-1/4-in. long

This insulation cutter handles tubing from 3/8 to 1-1/4 in. long. Operating automatically with two machine heads, it cuts the tubing from reels and simultaneously places it on one or both leads of such components as resistors, and capacitors. Line voltage required for the machine is 110 v at 60 cps.

Design Tool Corp. Electro Machinery Div., Dept. ED, 772 Bergen St., Brooklyn 38, N.Y.

Price & Availability: The unit is made on order, can be delivered in 8 weeks, and is priced at \$2500.

Booth 4122.

Electrical Tester 533

For axial-lead components

This orienting and testing machine electrically tests diodes, capacitors and resistors at an average rate of 3500 pieces per hr. It mechanically rejects substandard parts and orients each component in the direction of its polarity.

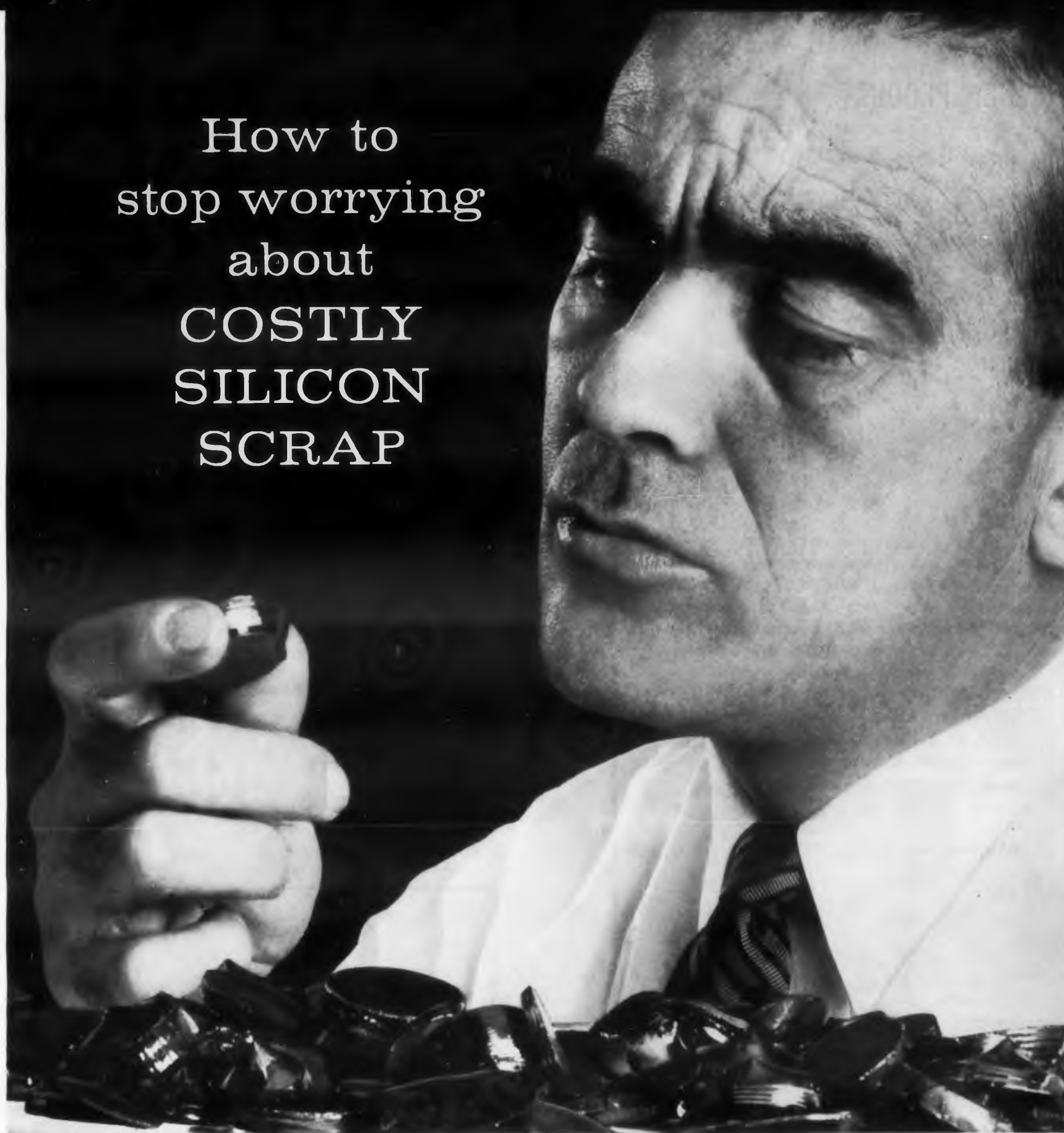
Universal Instruments Corp., Dept. ED, 139 E. Frederick St., Binghamton, N.Y.

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Booth 4019.

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

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Booth 3810-3812.

Microwave Mixer

546

Range is 8.5 to 9.6 kmc



Type V-8302 hybrid microwave mixer, designed for the range of 8.5 to 9.6 kmc, is for general X-band receiver use and is suitable for missile and airborne applications. The noise figure at 9.2 kmc is 9 db typical, including 3 db if noise. The signal input vswr is less than 2 v. The if output impedance is about 200 ohms shunted by about 10 μ f. The unit measures 3/4 x 1-5/8 x 1-5/8 in.

Varian Associates, Dept. ED, 611 Hansen Way, Palo Alto, Calif.

Availability: Delivery time is 30 days.

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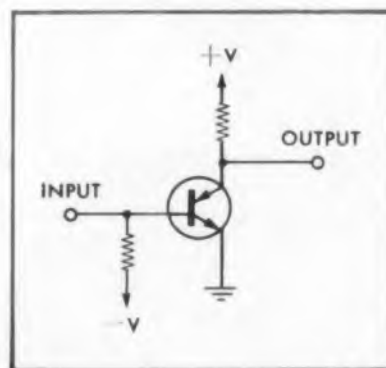
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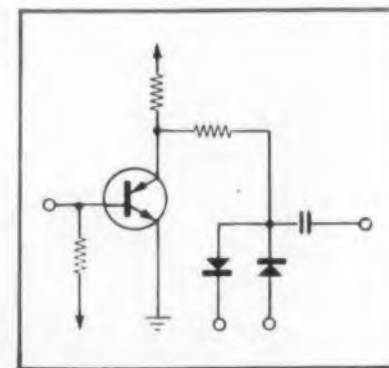
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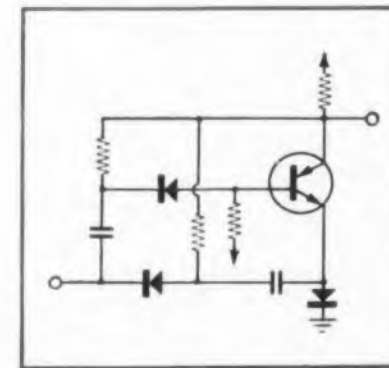
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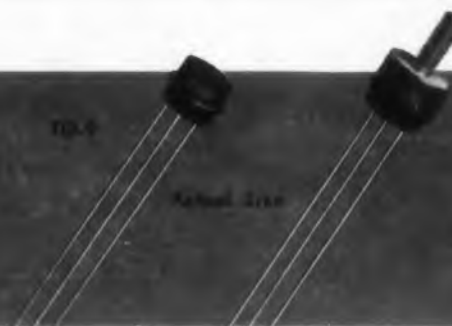
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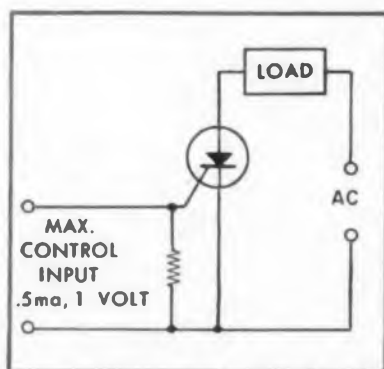
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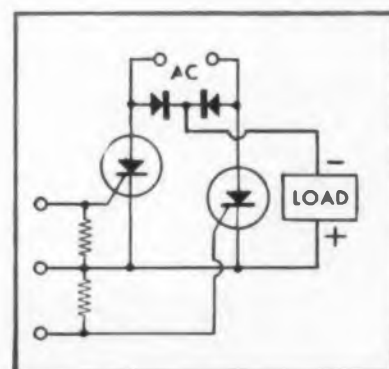
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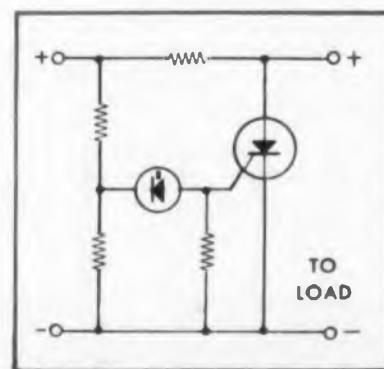
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Diversity Combiners

560

For rf receivers



Types DCA-500 and DCA-1000 diversity combiners are designed for use with rf receivers. The DCA-500 handles the output of two receivers and the DCA-1000 handles the output of four receivers. These output signals are mixed into a single output in the combiner. Signal-to-noise ratio is kept low. Response time is 2 msec. Distortion is less than 1%. Required input is 120 v at 50 to 400 cps, 150 w. The unit weighs 45 lb and measures 19 x 7 x 15 in.

Nems-Clark Co., Dept. ED, 919 Jesup Blair Drive, Silver Springs, Md.

Price & Availability: DCA-500, \$2700; DCA-1000, \$3500. Delivery is from stock.
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The Breakthrough ...How It Was Accomplished!

This VHF transistor breakthrough was made possible by a new Post Alloy Diffusion Process, a manufacturing method that combines the best features of the currently used alloy and diffusion processes, without their drawbacks.

The limitation of the alloy process is encountered when attempting to manufacture transistors with an average cut-off above 20 Mc. In this process the collector and emitter elements are fused (or alloyed) to the base. For this to be successfully accomplished the base must be relatively thick and the thickness very accurately controlled in order that during the fusion process the collector and emitter elements do not flow through the base and short the transistor. This relatively thick base increases the transit time, precluding any usable response above 20 Mc.

In the diffusion process the base is formed on the collector by gaseous diffusion in a high temperature oven. Very thin bases can be manufactured by this method with low transit time and very high cut-off frequencies. In this process the problem lies in attaching the emitter junction and base lead.

In the AMPEREX Post Alloy Diffusion Process, alloying and diffusion take place simultaneously. The transistor is built up on a piece of P-type germanium. Two small pellets are placed on the germanium. Pellet B, the base pellet, contains only an N-type impurity. Pellet E, the emitter pellet, contains a P-type and an N-type impurity.

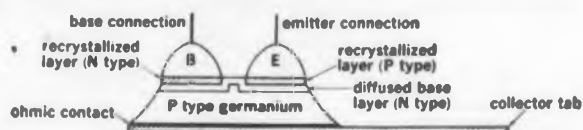
When this assembly is heated at a certain temperature, the germanium dissolves into the metal pellets until saturation is reached, and the pellet impurities diffuse into the solid germanium.

However, the P-type impurity in pellet E has such a low diffusion constant, that for practical purposes it does not penetrate into the germanium. The N-type impurity in pellets E and B has a much greater diffusion constant and readily penetrates into the solid germanium to form a diffused N-type layer underneath the pellets.

When the assembly is cooled down, a layer of germanium recrystallizes from the pellets as in the normal alloy technique. The recrystallized layer of pellet E contains many atoms of the P-type impurity and is, therefore, a P-type germanium layer. The germanium layer recrystallized from pellet B is, of course, the N-type because there are no other impurities in the pellet.

Connections are made to the germanium and the metal pellets and a "mesa-like" P-N-P transistor is obtained. The original P-type germanium is the collector, pellet B the base, and pellet E the emitter.

This process makes it possible to mass produce transistors with a base layer of a few ten-thousandths of an inch for very short transit time and high cut-off frequencies. The yield is also very high which enables AMPEREX to supply these transistors at low prices.



| MAXIMUM RATINGS | 2N1515 | 2N1516 | 2N1517 |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| -V _{cs} | 20 V | 20 V | 20 V |
| -I _c | 10 mA | 10 mA | 10 mA |
| P _c at T _{amb} ≤ 25°C | 83 mW | 83 mW | 83 mW |
| TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS | | | |
| Gain-Bandwidth Product (f _t , I _E = 1 mA) | 70 Mc | 70 Mc | 70 Mc |
| Gain-Bandwidth Product (f _t , I _E = 4 mA) | — | 180 Mc | 180 Mc |
| Power Gain | | | |
| G at 0.45 Mc (I _E = 1 mA) ... | 35 db | 35 db | — |
| G at 10.7 Mc (I _E = 1 mA) ... | 22 db | 24 db | — |
| G at 100 Mc (I _E = 1 mA) ... | — | — | 12 db |
| Conversion Gain G _C at 26 Mc .. | — | 18 db | — |
| Noise Figure NF | | | |
| NF at 0.45 Mc | 3 db | 3 db | — |
| NF at 10.7 Mc | 5 db | 4 db | — |
| NF at 100 Mc | — | — | 9 db |

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The 2N1516 is designed for use as a mixer oscillator in short wave receivers, as an IF amplifier in FM receivers, and as a broadband linear amplifier for instrumentation and industrial applications. The 2N1516 features a high cut-off frequency of 70 Mc and a low collector-to-base capacitance of 1.8 μf.

The 2N1515 is designed for high gain IF amplifier service in medium and short wave receivers.

The 2N1517 is designed for use as a local oscillator and preamplifier in FM receivers and has a power gain of 12 db at 100 Mc.

This is, of course, only the beginning of the Amperex PADT story. Availability is further assured by a new Amperex PADT plant in Slatersville, Rhode Island. A range of new PADT transistors, now in the final stages of development will provide UHF performance at VHF prices and give every promise of providing increased reliability and uniformity.



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Oscilloscope 505

Generates from 5 to 50,000
sweeps per sec



Model S-16-B digital data display unit, which can also be used as a general purpose oscilloscope, generates horizontal sweeps at rates from 5 to 50,000 sweeps per sec. The unit provides 6 x 10 cm raster presentation on a 5-in. flat face cathode ray tube screen. Step voltages with amplitudes of 600 mv to 30 v and rise times up to 0.07 μsec produce the full scale vertical raster. Positive going pulses of 2 v or greater intensify the trace; negative going slopes of 2 v extinguish the trace. The unit measures 11.25 x 7 x 13.5 in. and weighs 19 lb.

Waterman Products Co., Inc.,
Dept. ED, 2445 Emerald St., Philadelphia 25, Pa.
Booth 3105-3106.

Diodes 645

Two types available

One type is a glass-package, 1/4-w, silicon Zener diode offered in sizes from 6.8 to 200 v and in tolerances of 20%, 10%, and 5%. Also offered is a 1/2-w, temperature-compensated, glass-package Zener reference diode. It provides a reference source of 9 v over the temperature range of -55 to +150 C with temperature coefficients of 0.01, 0.005, 0.002, 0.001, and 0.005% per deg C.

Motorola Inc., Semiconductor Products Div., Dept. ED, 5005 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix, Ariz.

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Cutting Machine 653

For germanium and silicon

The Roton table drive is designed for cutting germanium, silicon, and other materials. By providing a rolling rather than a sliding fit between the screw and the nut, the machine has a drive that is virtually frictionless. The unit can be adapted for use with the firm's model WMA wafering machine.

Micromesh Manufacturing Corp., Dept. ED, 1020 Commerce Ave., Union, N.J. Booth 4038.

Broadband Amplifier 656

For TV systems

Model MLA-B vhf, broadband amplifier offers sharp reception for large or small TV systems. It has low-noise inputs, frame-grid, and coaxial fittings. It produces more than 40-db cascode amplification on vhf channels.

Blonder-Tongue Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, 9 Alling St., Newark, N.J. Booth 3225.

Power Supplies 629

For traveling wave-tubes

Models 252 and 253 power supplies are designed to operate any low or medium-noise figure traveling wave tubes. The input ranges from 50 to 450 cps which permits operation at remote locations, with miscellaneous power sources or in airborne applications. Extra solenoid and heater power are provided. The heater supply is dc. Either am or pulse modulation is available through a BNC front panel connection.

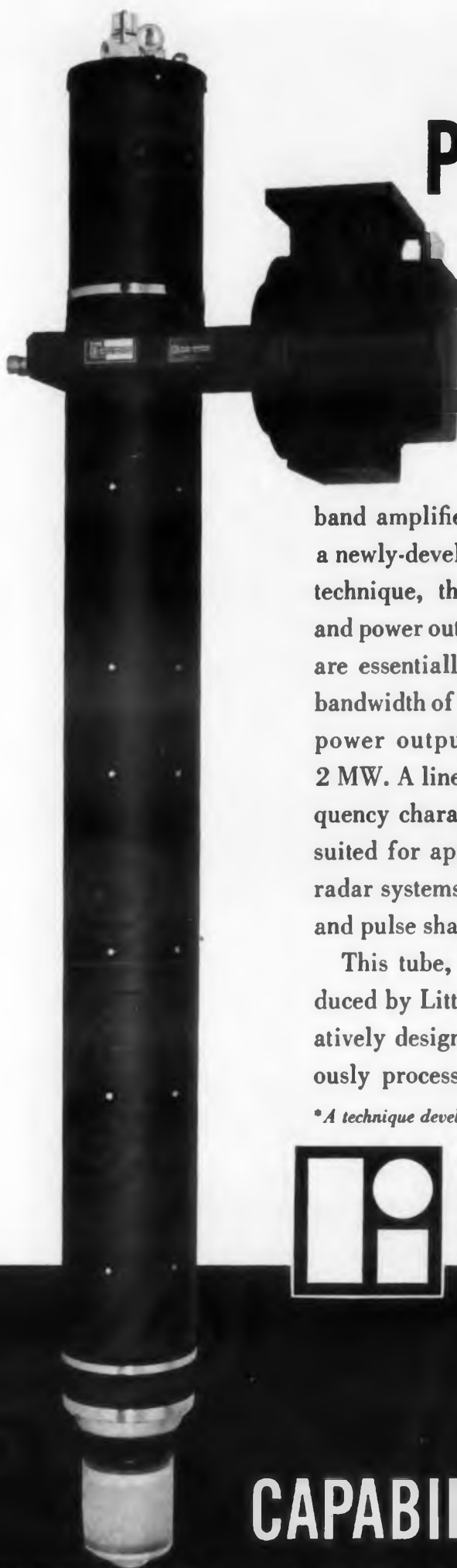
Alfred Electronics, Dept. ED, 77 Commercial St., Palo Alto, Calif.

Price & Availability: Model 253 is priced at \$1090; model 252, \$890. Both will be available the first week of April.

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Burroughs Corp., Electron Tube Div., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 1226, Plainfield, N.J.

Price & Availability: Complete with 2.5-v bulb, the unit is priced at \$24 ea in quantities up to 99. It is immediately available from stock.

Booth 1211-1213-1215.

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663

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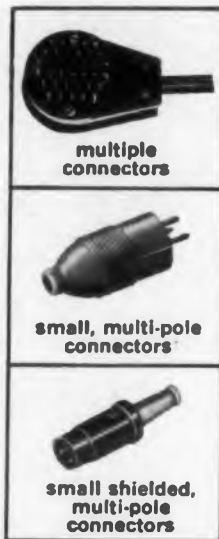
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Dale Products, Inc., Dept. ED, Columbus, Nebr.
Booth 2627-2629.

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LEL, Inc., Dept. ED, 380 Oak St., Copiague, N.Y.
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Gertsch Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 3211 S. La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles 16, Calif.

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Booth 3701-3703.

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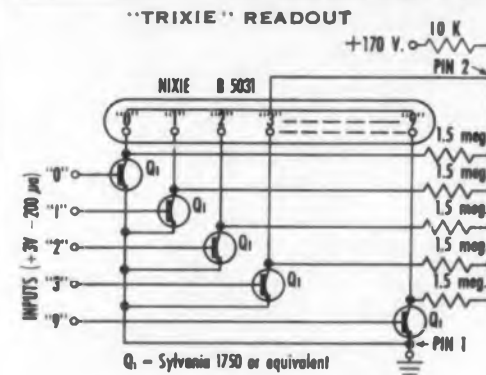
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Sinclair Radio Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, 412 Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Buffalo, N.Y.

Price & Availability: Price is \$230; Delivery is in two weeks or less.

Booth 1630.

1-Mc Limit Bridge 521

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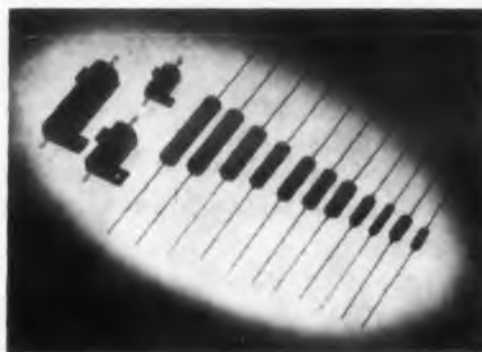


Model V-333A video signal generator provides point-to-point test signals continuously from 20 kc to 20 mc. A rotary switch selects one of these three bands: 20 to 200 kc, 0.2 to 2 mc, and 2 to 20 mc. Response is flat for the full-range and is continuously monitored. Accuracy of the lower bands is $\pm 3\%$ or less; accuracy from 2 to 20 mc is ± 40 kc or $\pm 1\%$. This generator system includes a radar trigger pulse adapter.

Foto-Video Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, 36 Commerce Road, Cedar Grove, N.J.
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Wirewound Resistors 514

Have ratings of 2 to 50 w



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Micro Gee Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 6319 W. Slauson Ave., Culver City, Calif.

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Line-Type Modulators

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FXR, Inc., Dept. ED, 26-12 Borough Place, Woodside 77, N.Y.

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Inso Electronic Products, Inc., Wire and Cable Div., Dept. ED, Union, N.J.

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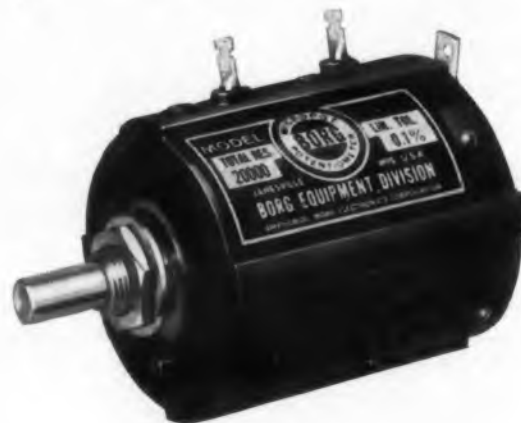
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General Devices, Inc., Dept. ED, Box 253, Princeton, N.J.

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Converter Amplifier

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For use with ac electro-mechanical transducers



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Pacific Electro-Kinetics, Dept. ED, 329 S. Vermont Ave., Glendora, Calif.

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464

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| | N25 | 10 to 1.5 meg. | 1 @ 40° C. | |
| | N30 | 30 to 4.2 meg. | 2 @ 40° C. | |
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| | S25 | 10 to 1.5 meg. | 1 @ 120° C. 2 @ 40° C. | |
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North Atlantic Industries, Inc., Instrumentation Div., Dept. ED, Terminal Drive, Plainview, L.I., N.Y.

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Elgin National Watch Co., Dept. ED, 2435 N. Naomi St., Burbank, Calif.

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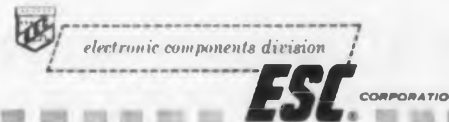
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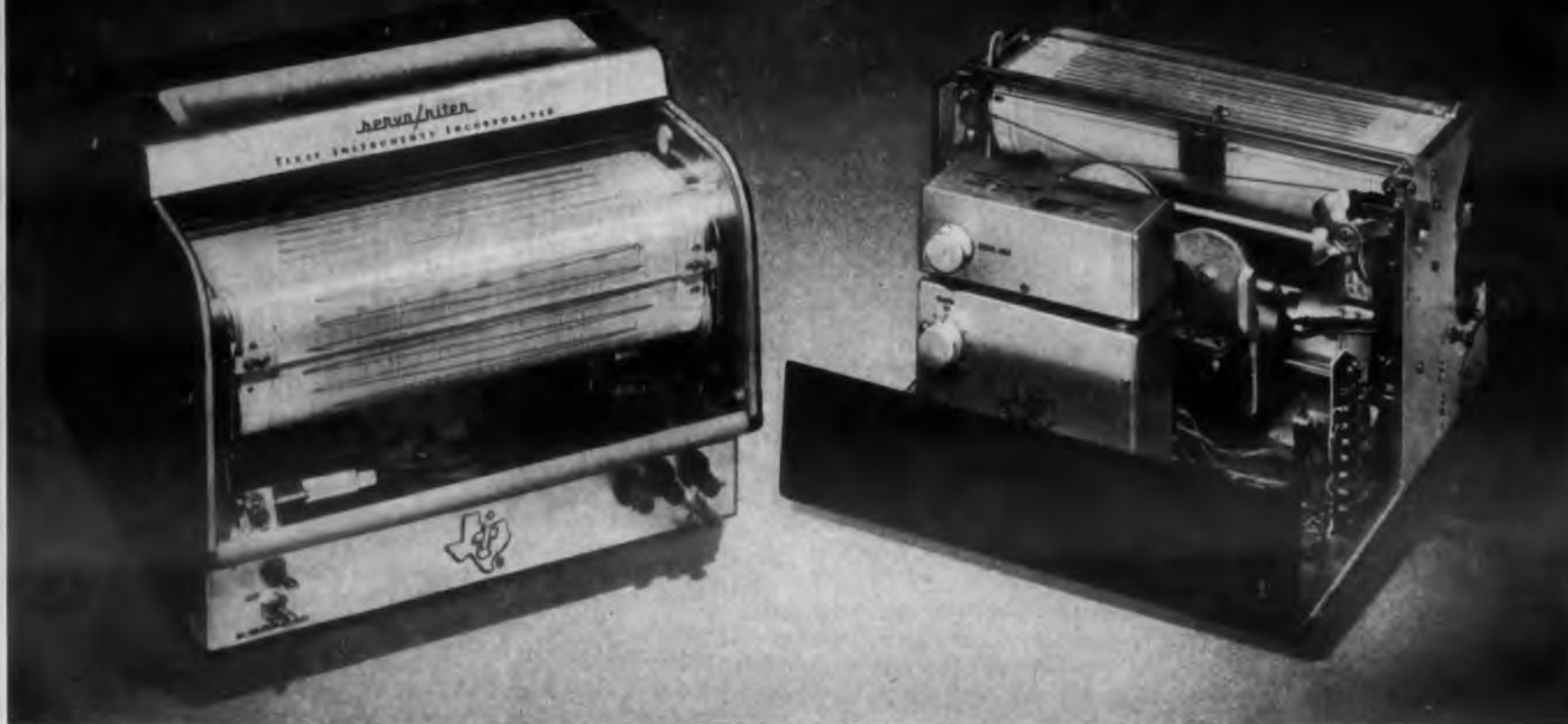
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Switchcraft, Inc., Dept. ED, 5555 N. Elston Ave., Chicago 30, Ill. Booth 2827.

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Is rated at 5 w up to 100 C

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Hi-G, Inc., Dept. ED, Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn.

Price & Availability: The unit is made on order and can be delivered in 30 days.

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Trimmer Potentiometers 479

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Jerrold Electronics Corp., Industrial Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 15th & Lehigh, Philadelphia 32, Pa.

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| 1N1711 | 400 | 500 | 0.3 | 1N610 | 200 | 800 | 0.025 |
| 1N1712 | 500 | 500 | 0.3 | 1N611 | 300 | 800 | 0.025 |
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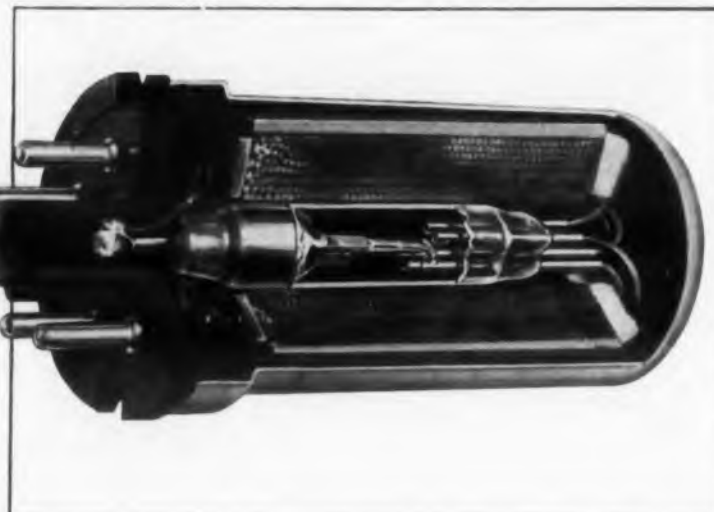
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Rack and panel type



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Elco Corp., Dept. ED, M St. Below Erie Ave., Philadelphia 24, Pa.
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LEL, Inc., Dept. ED, 380 Oak St., Copiague, N.Y.

Price & Availability: Price is \$995 ea when one unit is ordered and \$695 ea for quantities up to 50. It is available from stock for a three to four-week delivery.

Booth 2102.

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| amps. DC (100° C) | peak inverse voltage | max. RMS volts | max. amps. | | Tarzian Type | Jedec No. |
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| | | | recurrent peak | surge 4MS | | |
| 0.325 | 2800 | 1960 | 3.25 | 19.5 | 280SM | 1N1113 |
| 0.35 | 2400 | 1680 | 3.5 | 21 | 240SM | 1N1112 |
| 0.375 | 2000 | 1400 | 3.75 | 22.5 | 200SM | 1N1111 |
| 0.4 | 1600 | 1120 | 4 | 24 | 160SM | 1N1110 |
| 0.425 | 1200 | 840 | 4.25 | 25.5 | 120SM | 1N1109 |
| 0.45 | 800 | 560 | 4.5 | 27 | 80SM | 1N1108 |
| 0.5 | 100 | 70 | 5 | 30 | 10M | 1N1081 |
| | 200 | 140 | 5 | 30 | 20M | 1N1082 |
| | 300 | 210 | 5 | 30 | 30M | 1N1083 |
| 0.5 | 400 | 280 | 5 | 30 | 40M | 1N1084 |
| | 400 | 280 | 5 | 30 | M-500 | 1N1084 |
| | 500 | 350 | 5 | 30 | 50M | - |
| 0.5 | 600 | 420 | 5 | 30 | 60M | - |
| | 200 | 140 | 7.5 | 75 | F-2 | 1N2482 |
| | 400 | 280 | 7.5 | 75 | F-4 | 1N2483 |
| 0.5 | 600 | 420 | 7.5 | 75 | F-6 | 1N2484 |
| | 100 | 70 | 7.5 | 75 | 10H | - |
| | 200 | 140 | 7.5 | 75 | 20H | 1N2485 |
| 0.75 | 300 | 210 | 7.5 | 75 | 30H | 1N2486 |
| | 400 | 280 | 7.5 | 75 | 40H | 1N2487 |
| | 500 | 350 | 7.5 | 75 | 50H | 1N2488 |
| | 600 | 420 | 7.5 | 75 | 60H | 1N2489 |

| amps. DC (100° C) | peak in- verse volt- age | max. RMS volts | re- cur- rent peak | surge 4MS | NEGATIVE | | POSITIVE | |
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| | | | | | Tarzian Type | Jedec No. | Tarzian Type | Jedec No. |
| 1.5 | 100 | 70 | 10 | 100 | - | - | 10J1 | 1N1081 |
| | 200 | 140 | 10 | 100 | - | - | 20J1 | 1N1082 |
| | 300 | 210 | 10 | 100 | - | - | 30J1 | 1N1083 |
| 2 | 400 | 280 | 10 | 100 | - | - | 40J1 | 1N1084 |
| | 100 | 70 | 30 | 100 | - | - | 10LA | 1N1081 |
| | 200 | 140 | 30 | 100 | - | - | 20LA | 1N1082 |
| 2 | 300 | 210 | 30 | 100 | - | - | 30LA | 1N1083 |
| | 400 | 280 | 30 | 100 | - | - | 40LA | 1N1084 |
| | 100 | 70 | 50 | 150 | - | - | 10J2 | 1N1081 |
| 10 | 200 | 140 | 50 | 150 | - | - | 20J2 | 1N1082 |
| | 300 | 210 | 50 | 150 | - | - | 30J2 | 1N1083 |
| | 400 | 280 | 50 | 150 | - | - | 40J2 | 1N1084 |
| 20 | 50 | 35 | 120 | 200 | 5RAN | 1N1157 | 5RAP | 1N1158 |
| | 100 | 70 | 120 | 200 | 10RAN | 1N1158 | 10RAP | 1N1159 |
| | 200 | 140 | 120 | 200 | 20RAN | 1N1159 | 20RAP | 1N1160 |
| 20 | 300 | 210 | 120 | 200 | 30RAN | 1N1160 | 30RAP | 1N1161 |
| | 400 | 280 | 120 | 200 | 40RAN | - | 40RAP | - |
| | 50 | 35 | 210 | 350 | 5SAN | 1N1161 | 5SAP | 1N1162 |
| 35 | 100 | 70 | 210 | 350 | 10SAN | 1N1162 | 10SAP | 1N1163 |
| | 200 | 140 | 210 | 350 | 20SAN | 1N1163 | 20SAP | 1N1164 |
| | 300 | 210 | 210 | 350 | 30SAN | 1N1164 | 30SAP | 1N1165 |
| | 400 | 280 | 210 | 350 | 40SAN | - | 40SAP | - |

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| Tarzian Type | Jedec No. (100°C) | max. amps. | | | | NEGATIVE | | POSITIVE | |
|--------------|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| | | peak in-verse volt- age | max. RMS volts | re- cur- rent peak | surge 4MS | Tarzian Type | Jedec No. | Tarzian Type | Jedec No. |
| 1 1N110 | | 50 | 35 | 210 | 350 | 5S3N | - | 5S3P | - |
| 1 1N111 | | 100 | 70 | 210 | 350 | 10S3N | - | 10S3P | - |
| 1 1N112 | | 200 | 140 | 210 | 350 | 20S3N | - | 20S3P | - |
| 1 1N113 | | 300 | 210 | 210 | 350 | 30S3N | - | 30S3P | - |
| A 1N114 | | 400 | 280 | 210 | 350 | 40S3N | - | 40S3P | - |
| A 1N115 | | 50 | 35 | 600 | 1000 | 5VAN | 1N1165 | 5VAP | 1N1179 |
| A 1N116 | | 100 | 70 | 600 | 1000 | 10VAN | 1N1166 | 10VAP | 1N1180 |
| 2 1N117 | | 200 | 140 | 600 | 1000 | 20VAN | 1N1167 | 20VAP | 1N1181 |
| 2 1N118 | | 300 | 210 | 600 | 1000 | 30VAN | 1N1168 | 30VAP | 1N1182 |
| 2 1N119 | | 400 | 280 | 600 | 1000 | 40VAN | - | 40VAP | - |
| 2 1N120 | | 50 | 35 | 600 | 1000 | 5V3N | - | 5V3P | - |
| AP 1N121 | | 100 | 70 | 600 | 1000 | 10V3N | - | 10V3P | - |
| AP 1N122 | | 200 | 140 | 600 | 1000 | 20V3N | - | 20V3P | - |
| AP 1N123 | | 300 | 210 | 600 | 1000 | 30V3N | - | 30V3P | - |
| AP 1N124 | | 400 | 280 | 600 | 1000 | 40V3N | - | 40V3P | - |
| AP 1N125 | | 50 | 35 | 900 | 1500 | 5WAN | 1N1263 | 5WAP | 1N1267 |
| AP 1N126 | | 100 | 70 | 900 | 1500 | 10WAN | 1N1264 | 10WAP | 1N1268 |
| AP 1N127 | | 200 | 140 | 900 | 1500 | 20WAN | 1N1265 | 20WAP | 1N1269 |
| AP 1N128 | | 300 | 210 | 900 | 1500 | 30WAN | 1N1266 | 30WAP | 1N1270 |
| AP 1N129 | | 400 | 280 | 900 | 1500 | 40WAN | - | 40WAP | - |

| amp. DC (100°C) | peak in-verse volt- age | max. amps. | | | | NEGATIVE | | POSITIVE | |
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| | | max. RMS volts | re- cur- rent peak | surge 4MS | Tarzian Type | Jedec No. | Tarzian Type | Jedec No. | |
| 150 | 50 | 35 | 900 | 1500 | 5W3N | - | 5W3P | - | |
| | 100 | 70 | 900 | 1500 | 10W3N | - | 10W3P | - | |
| | 200 | 140 | 900 | 1500 | 20W3N | - | 20W3P | - | |
| | 300 | 210 | 900 | 1500 | 30W3N | - | 30W3P | - | |
| 200 | 400 | 280 | 900 | 1500 | 40W3N | - | 40W3P | - | |
| | 50 | 35 | 1200 | 2000 | 5XAN | 1N1263A | 5XAP | 1N1267A | |
| | 100 | 70 | 1200 | 2000 | 10XAN | 1N1264A | 10XAP | 1N1268A | |
| | 200 | 140 | 1200 | 2000 | 20XAN | 1N1265A | 20XAP | 1N1269A | |
| 250 | 300 | 210 | 1200 | 2000 | 30XAN | 1N1266A | 30XAP | 1N1270A | |
| | 400 | 280 | 1200 | 2000 | 40XAN | - | 40XAP | - | |
| | 50 | 35 | 1500 | 2500 | 5Y3N | - | 5Y3P | - | |
| | 100 | 70 | 1500 | 2500 | 10Y3N | - | 10Y3P | - | |
| 200 | 200 | 140 | 1500 | 2500 | 20Y3N | - | 20Y3P | - | |
| | 300 | 210 | 1500 | 2500 | 30Y3N | - | 30Y3P | - | |
| | 400 | 280 | 1500 | 2500 | 40Y3N | - | 40Y3P | - | |

CIRCLE 173 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

Ohmmeter

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Range extends as low as 10 μohms



The EMT model 325 ohmmeter has a range extending down to 10 μohms and an upper limit of 3000 milliohms. It reads directly the internal resistance of storage and primary batteries with and without load; it can also be used to measure switch contacts, breakers, and very low resistance busses. The range of the instrument is divided into nine sub-ranges. The test frequency is 50 to 60 cps. Connection of the test sample is performed by clips. The instrument is manufactured in Germany.

Electronic Applications, Inc., Dept. ED, 194 Richmond Hill Ave., Stamford, Conn.

Price & Availability: Price is \$399. Delivery is in 60 days.

Booth 3929.

High Impedance Comparator 383

Frequency range is 400 cps to 10 kc



Model B-921 high impedance comparator has an adjustable voltage ratio of 0.333:1 to 3:1 and a frequency range of 400 cps to 10 kc. A three-terminal bridge, the instrument has an R-trim of -200 to +800 ohms. Accuracy is 0.001%. A battery-operated preamplifier is incorporated in the unit; a source and a selective amplifier-detector are also necessary for operation.

Wayne Kerr Corp., Dept. ED, 1633 Race St., Philadelphia 3, Pa.

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Booth 3827-3829.

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

Price & Availability: They are available from stock at the price of \$20 per 100.

Booth 2325.

Laminates

Can be used at 500 F

Made for electronic applications, these laminates are specially designed for high temperature use. Type ARF-HT asbestos mat plastic, having a flexural strength of 35,000 psi lengthwise and 25,000 psi crosswise, retains 40% of original flexural strength after a 1000 hr exposure to 500 F. Type G3-HT glass fabric plastic, having a flexural strength of 60,000 psi lengthwise and 50,000 psi crosswise, also retains 40% of flexural strength after 1000 hr at 500 F. Standard sheets are 36 x 36 in. and 36 x 72 in. Type ARF-HT is 0.031 to 2 in. thick and type G3-HT is 0.01 to 2 in. thick.

Synthane Corp., Dept. ED, Oaks, Pa.

Booth 4521-4523.

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Paper-Pin Connectors 370

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Gries Reproducer Corp., Dept. ED, 125 Beechwood Ave., New Rochelle, N.Y. Booth 4110.

Rotating-Coil Gaussmeter 368

Accuracy is 0.1%

This rotating-coil gaussmeter measures dc magnetic fields to an accuracy of 0.1%. It reads 0 to 10,000 gauss with a resolution of ± 1 gauss. Instead of measuring the voltage generated by the rotating coil, the instrument compares this against the output of a reference ac generator mounted on the same motor shaft.

Rawson Electrical Instrument Co., Dept. ED, Cambridge, Mass. Booth 3313.

Preamplifier 472

Bandwidth is 20 mc

Designed for use in missile, space, and telemetry applications, model 33-H transistorized preamplifier has a bandwidth of 20 mc centered at a frequency of 100 mc. It can be used with micro-length receiver mixers having an input impedance of 300 ohms and a noise figure of 4.25 db.

Edwards, Inc., Dept. ED, 380 Oak St., New York, N.Y.

Availability: Available for week delivery, the unit is priced at \$270 ea. Quantity discounts are available.

Booth 2102.



Ceramic Wafers for Micro-Modules



Miniature Tube Envelopes

Tube Envelopes

Coors makes high strength ceramic envelopes to extremely close dimensional tolerances and in a wide range of sizes for use in modern electron tubes. Certain of the Coors ceramic compositions were developed specifically to meet the rigorous operating conditions and reliability requirements to which high power, high frequency tubes are subjected.

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At the IRE Show!

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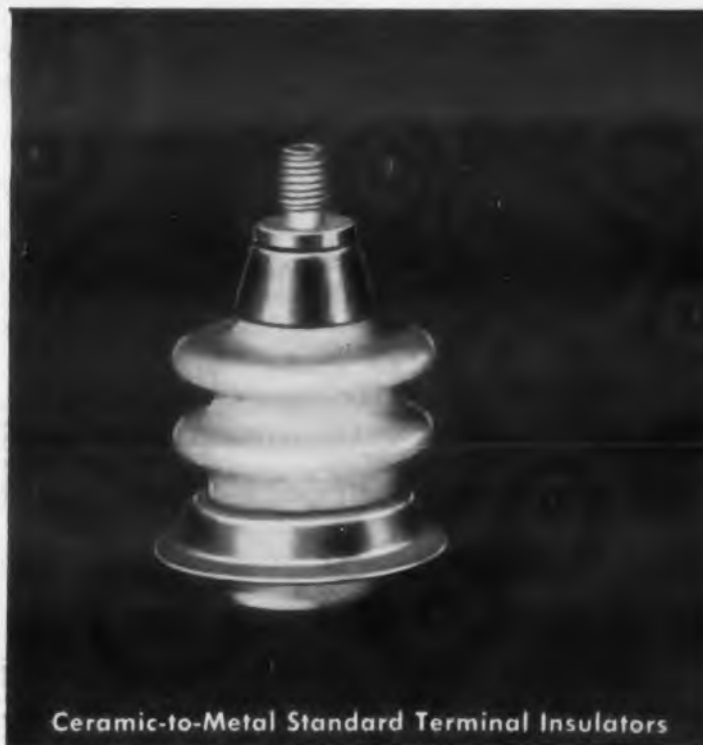
Coors is now in regular production of beryllium oxide ceramic. This new ceramic material has outstanding refractory and nuclear properties. It has better resistance to thermal shock than most other ceramic materials and conducts heat better than any other ceramic material. A good electrical insulator at elevated temperatures, these components are meeting the many advanced needs of the electronic industry. See this Coors ceramic material at the IRE Show or write for new data.

Booth 4005-6

Micro-Module Wafers

The hottest news in extreme miniaturization of electronic equipment is the micro-module—an amazingly small combination of sub-miniature electronic circuit components. The fundamental unit of a micro-module is the high alumina ceramic base plate—a tiny ceramic wafer, approximately 0.300" square x 0.010" thick. Upon this is deposited or metalized a component of a circuit—a resistor, capacitor, transistor, diode, etc. The micro-module is a combination of several of these elements in a small space to serve a specific circuit function—amplifier, oscillator, etc.

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NEW PRODUCTS AT THE IRE SHOW

Pulse Modulators

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Pulse width range is 1 to 15 μ sec



Model 330 12-mw pulse modulator provides a continuously adjustable pulse width range of 1 to 15 μ sec at repetition rates of 100 to 1000 pps. Pulse energy to the primary of the pulse transformer is 20 kw peak at 600 amp. Maximum average power delivered is 24 kw. The equipment includes monitoring circuits for observing both output pulse and current, as well as meters for all pertinent ac and dc voltages and currents. A low-capacity filament supply is used for the tube under test. Line power needed is 208 v, three phase.

Manson Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 1214, Stamford, Conn.

Price & Availability: Price is quoted on request; delivery is in 90 to 100 days.

Booth 3923.

Connector

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Multi-terminal type



The MTC series of multi-terminal connectors offers 40, 60, 80, and 100-pin sizes. They are designed for mounting such components as transistors, diodes, and condensers. Features include: easy locking bolt for securing the plug to the receptacle, easily removable cover, zinc-chromate finish on all hardware, and solder or taper tab terminals.

North Electric Co., Electronetics Div., Dept. ED, 553 S. Market St., Galion, Ohio.

Price & Availability: Price is \$7 to \$8. Units will be available from stock in April, 1960. Delivery is in 30 days.

Booth 2125.

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Constant Current Supply 391

Output is 0 to 20 v at 0.5 to 500 ma



Model 151 constant current supply delivers a variable output of 0 to 20 v at 0.5 to 500 ma. Applications are: semiconductor testing, diode aging, transistor beta tests, potentiometer and current sensitive relay testing, electrolytic work, and in strain gage systems. Regulation is 0.25% for load and 0.25% for a 105- to 125-v ac line. Input is 105 to 125 at 50 to 60 cps, 15 w. The unit measures 8.25 x 5 x 7.75 in. and weighs 7.75 lb.

Quan-Tech Laboratories, Dept. ED, Boonton, N.J.

Price & Availability: Price is \$275 fob Boonton. Unit is available from stock.

Booth 3034.

Glass Inductor Kit 478

Range is 0.05 to 2 μ h

This glass-inductor kit has tuning cores which provide for a range of inductances of 0.05 to 2 μ h. Ten inductors, made by fusing metallic spirals into the surface of a low-loss glass coil form, are included. The inductors have a high stability, operate from -55 to +125 C, and have Q-factors from 120 to 200. Maximum dc current capacity is over 1 amp. Tolerance is $\pm 10\%$. The kit also includes four tuning cores.

Corning Glass Works, Dept. ED, Bradford, Pa.

Price & Availability: Price is \$24.95. Available in March, the kit will be sold by the Erie Resistor Corp.

Booth 2334, 2336, 2427 and 2429.

NEW PRODUCTS AT THE IRE SHOW

Power Supplies

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Have outputs of 0 to 18 v up to 0 to 100 v



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Mid-Eastern Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 32 Commerce St., Springfield, N.J.

Availability: From stock to three weeks.
Booth 3009.

AC Voltage Standard

496

Output is 1 to 501 v ac rms



Model 601A voltage standard has an output of 1 to 501 v ac rms, adjustable in 10-v steps. Power output capability is 5 amp up to 5 v and 25 w above 5 v. Frequencies of 60, 400, and 1000 cps can be selected by front panel control. Voltage accuracy is 0.1% or ± 5 mv and short term voltage stability is 0.01%. Frequency stability is 1% and harmonic distortion is less than 0.3%. The output impedance with a constant resistive load is about 0.01 ohms, which is essentially the resistance of the output terminals. The unit measures 19 x 12.25 x 18 in.

Kin Tel, Div. of Cohu Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 5725 Kearny Villa Road, Box 623, San Diego 12, Calif.

Booth 3613-3615-3617.

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Pulse Generator

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Range is 20 cps to 2 mc



Model B-7 pulse generator has a frequency range of 20 cps to 2 mc. Delay is from 0 to 10,000 μ sec, pulse width is 0.05 to 10,000 μ sec, and amplitude is 50 v into 50 ohms. Rise and fall time is better than 15 μ sec. The normal duty factor of 30% can be increased with a reduction in amplitude so that the instrument does not fan out. Attenuation is 50 db in 10-db steps or 20-db continuous, positive or negative pulses. A minimum external triggering of ± 10 v is required. The synchronous output is 0.05 μ sec wide and has an amplitude of 10 v; time lag is 0.2 μ sec. The unit measures 19 x 8-3/4 x 12 in.

Rutherford Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 8944 Lindblade St., Culver City, Calif.

Price & Availability: Price is \$720; the unit is available from stock and can be delivered in 21 days.

Booth 3834.

Silver Cadmium Battery

502

Weights 1.44 oz.



Model 8YSO1 silver cadmium battery weighs only 1.44 oz and has a volume of 1.36 cu. in. A 9-v battery, it is made up of 8 cells having a 0.1 amp-hr nominal capacity and supplies power for continuous operation for 12 to 15 hr before recharging if necessary.

Yardney Electric Corp., Dept. ED, 40-50 Leonard St., New York, N.Y.

Availability: The unit is made on order. Booth 2127.

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| | 1N1199 SERIES | 50-600 V. | 12 A @ 150°C. CASE | 220 AMPS. | |
| | 1N1191 SERIES | 50-600 V. | 18 A @ 140°C. CASE | 220 AMPS. | |
| | 1N1183 SERIES | 50-600 V. | 35 A @ 140°C. CASE | 220 AMPS. | |
| HIGH POWER RECT. | 1N1396 SERIES | 50-500 V. | 70 A @ 150°C. CASE | 1200 AMPS. | 30 MA @ 190°C. JUNCTION 40 MA @ 190°C. JUNCTION 50 MA @ 190°C. JUNCTION |
| | 1N1660 SERIES | 50-500 V. | 160 A @ 125°C. CASE | 2000 AMPS. | |
| | 1N1670 SERIES | 50-500 V. | 240 A @ 125°C. CASE | 3000 AMPS. | |
| | 439 SERIES | 50-600 V. | 240 A @ 125°C. CASE | 3000 AMPS. | |

| GERMANIUM TRANSISTORS | Class | Typical Operation | | | Maximum Ratings | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | | I _{CS0} μ A | h _{FE} | f _{mc/s} | V _{CC} V | I _C ma | P _C mw | T _J °C |
| 2N59 | AUDIO-PNP | 10 | 100 | 1.2 | 20 | 200 | 180 | 85 |
| 2N60 | AUDIO-PNP | 10 | 70 | 1.1 | 20 | 200 | 180 | 85 |
| 2N403 | AUDIO-PNP | 10 | 33 | 0.85 | 20 | 200 | 180 | 85 |
| 2N614 | IF -PNP | 3 | 5 | 3 | 20 | 150 | 125 | 85 |
| 2N616 | IF -PNP | 3 | 20 | 9 | 20 | 150 | 125 | 85 |
| 2N617 | IF -PNP | 3 | 14 | 7 | 20 | 150 | 125 | 85 |

| SILICON POWER TRANSISTORS | Type | h _{FE} or h _{FE} | f _{mc/s} | V _{CC} Volts | I _C Amps | T _J °C |
|---------------------------|------|---|-------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 2N1015 SERIES—2 AMP. | NPN | 10 (V _{CC} =4 V I _C =2 A) | ALPHA CUTOFF .300 | 30-200 | 7.5a | 150 |
| 2N1016 SERIES—5 AMP. | NPN | 10 (V _{CC} =4 V I _C =5 A) | ALPHA CUTOFF .300 | 30-200 | 7.5a | 150 |

| 50 AMPERE SILICON "TRINISTOR" CONTROLLED RECTIFIER | Breakover Voltage @ 125°C T _J | Reverse Blocking Voltage @ 125°C T _J | Turn-on Time | Turn-off Time |
|--|--|---|----------------|------------------|
| | TYPICAL | | | |
| | 50-400 VOLTS | 50-400 VOLTS | 1.0 μ SEC. | 15-20 μ SEC. |

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Standard rectifier assemblies are available in all types of circuit configurations, and are designed for either forced air or natural convection cooling with a wide range of ratings. Nickel-plated copper plates and other materials used in these assemblies have been chosen to insure satisfactory performance in corrosive atmospheres and high ambient temperatures.

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Electronic Applications, Inc.,
Dept. ED, 194 Richmond Hill Ave.,
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Price & Availability: Price is \$6099; delivery is in 75 days.

Booth 3929.

AC Power Supply 483

Provides 250 v

Model 250 power supply delivers 250 v ac at 400 cps $\pm 0.25\%$ or at a variable frequency from 350 to 450 cps. An input jack is provided for output frequencies from 50 to 4000 cps. Output voltage is continuously variable from 0 to 120 v. Output distortion is less than 1% and regulation from no-load to full-load is better than 1%. The use of silicon diodes in the plate-supply circuit reduces the heat dissipated. Panel size is 19 x 8-3/4 x 13-1/2 in.

Industrial Test Equipment Co.,
Dept. ED, 55 E. 11th St., New York,
N.Y.

Booth 3513.

Laboratory Receiver 473

Incorporates high gain amplifier

Model LR 1297 laboratory receiver combines a high-gain if amplifier, a precision attenuator, a power supply, and an indicator. It is suitable for noise figure measurements, nuclear resonance work, antenna pattern recording, and other design applications. Used with the firm's mixer-preamplifier assembly, the unit will provide a microwave receiver operating from bands L through K.

LEL, Inc., Dept. ED, 380 Oak St., Copiague, N.Y.

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Model ME-301 coil winding machine handles wires ranging in size from 0.025 to 0.065 in. in diam or from No. 22 to 14 AWG. This high-speed device is claimed to perform perfect thread layer winding.

Associated American Winding Machinery, Inc., Dept. ED, 750 St. Ann's Ave., New York 56, N.Y.

Price & Availability: Unit is available from stock. Price is \$575 ea. Booth 4228-4230.

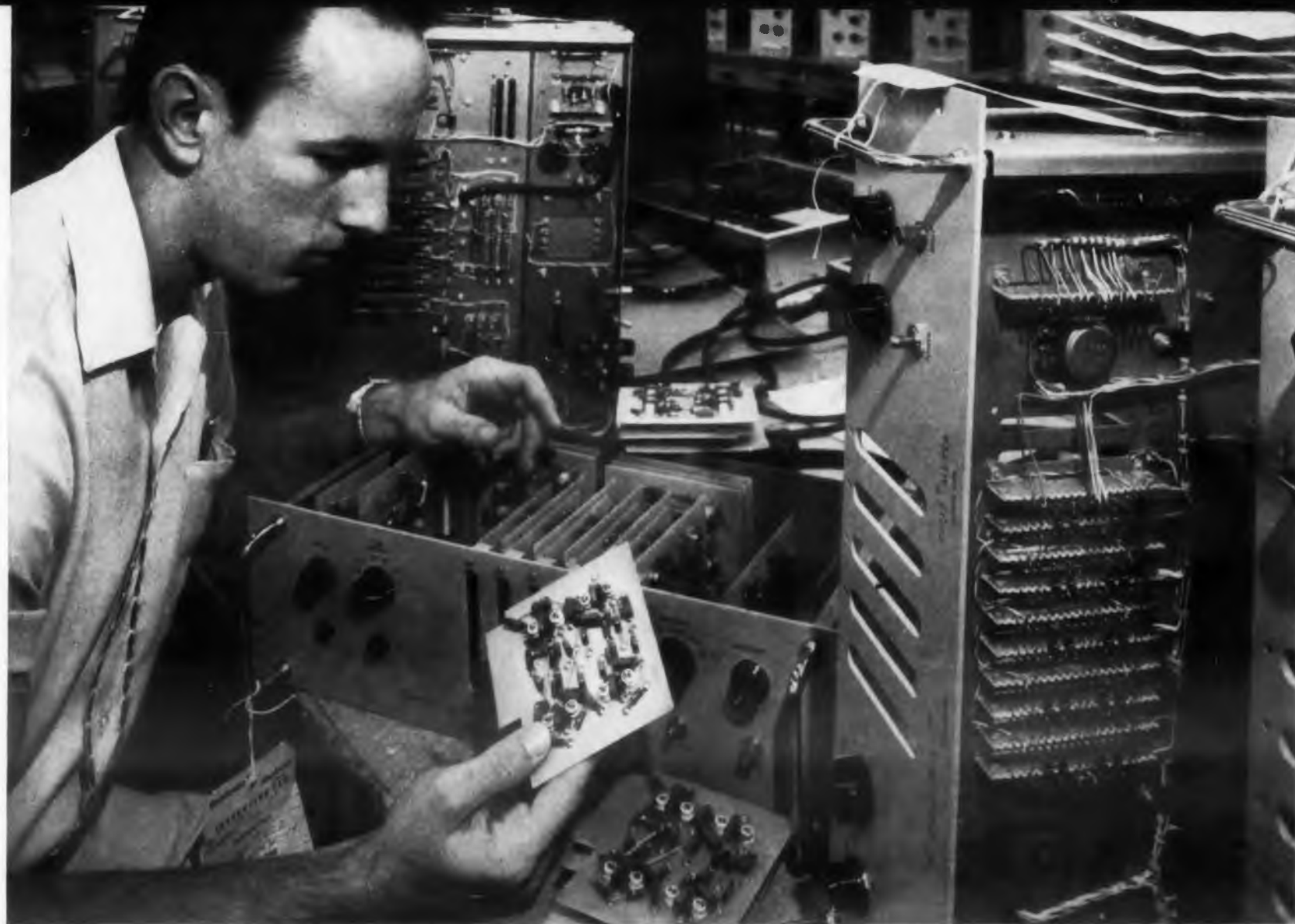
Component Kits 374

For development work

The Ferrokits are made for developmental work requiring ferrite magnetic cores, voltage dependent resistors, negative temperature coefficient or light dependent resistors, and memory cores, planes, or stacks. The kits are composed of standard, off-the-shelf parts and contain complete technical data.

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

Price & Availability: Price ranges from \$10 to \$395. Kits are available for immediate delivery. Booth 2530.



Tung-Sol transistors handle four major jobs in Beckman/Berkeley peak accuracy frequency counter

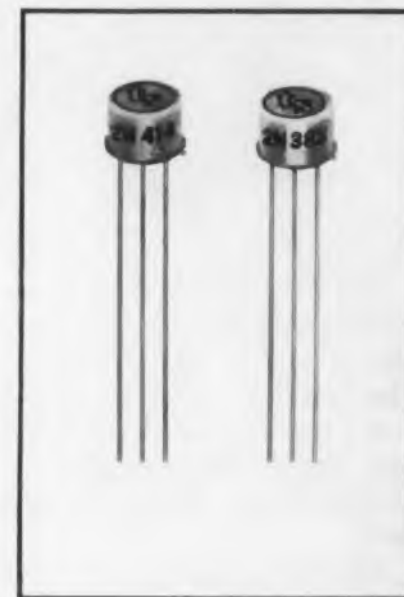
The Beckman/Berkeley Model 5310 EPUT Meter makes frequency measurements from 10 cps to 200 kc with an accuracy of up to 1 part in 10⁶. In military applications, such as missile check-out, where operating time is brief but success "a must", the EPUT Meter "gets in and gets out" quickly with fire-away data. Where long-term service with minimum downtime is a critical requirement, as in industrial monitoring processes, the equipment is also ideally suited.

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Southwestern Industrial Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 10201 Westheimer Road, P.O. Box 13058, Houston 19, Tex.

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395

For capacitor checking to 100,000 μ f



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Leach Corp., Special Products Div., Dept. ED, 516 E. Compton Blvd., Compton, Calif. Booth 4052.

DC Power Supply

Provides 130 to 325 v

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Operating from an input of 105 to 125 ± 10 v ac, model PS4232 power supply delivers 130 to 325 v dc. For general purpose use, the unit has a load current of 0 to 1.5 amp, regulation of 0.2 v or less, and stabilization of less than ± 0.2 for a line change of ± 10 v with a constant load. Ripple and noise are less than 2 mv rms. Output impedance is less than 0.2 ohms from dc to 100 kc. Maximum ambient temperature is 50 C. The unit weighs 50 lb, measures 5.25 x 17 x 12 in., and has movable side brackets which permit rack mounting.

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Wales Strippit, Inc., Dept. ED, Akron, N.Y.

Price & Availability: Prices range from \$9000 to \$10,000; the unit will be available from stock after April 30, 1960.

Booth 4010.

Transistorized Mixer-Preamplifier 471

Range is 8.5 to 9.6 kmc

Model MMX-4 transistorized mixer-preamplifier assembly covers the range of 8.5 to 9.6 kmc. The unit has a 15-mc bandwidth centered at 60-mc output frequency, a 20-db over-all gain, and an over-all noise figure of 10 db. Used with the firm's if amplifiers, the unit permits the production of solid state microwave receivers.

LEL, Inc., Dept. ED, 380 Oak St., Copiague, N.Y.

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Booth 2102.

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Conrad, Inc., Dept. ED, Holland, Mich.

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Antenna Systems 477

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Andrew Corp., Dept. ED, 363 E. 75th St., Chicago 19, Ill. Booth 1502-1504.

Microwave Antenna 369

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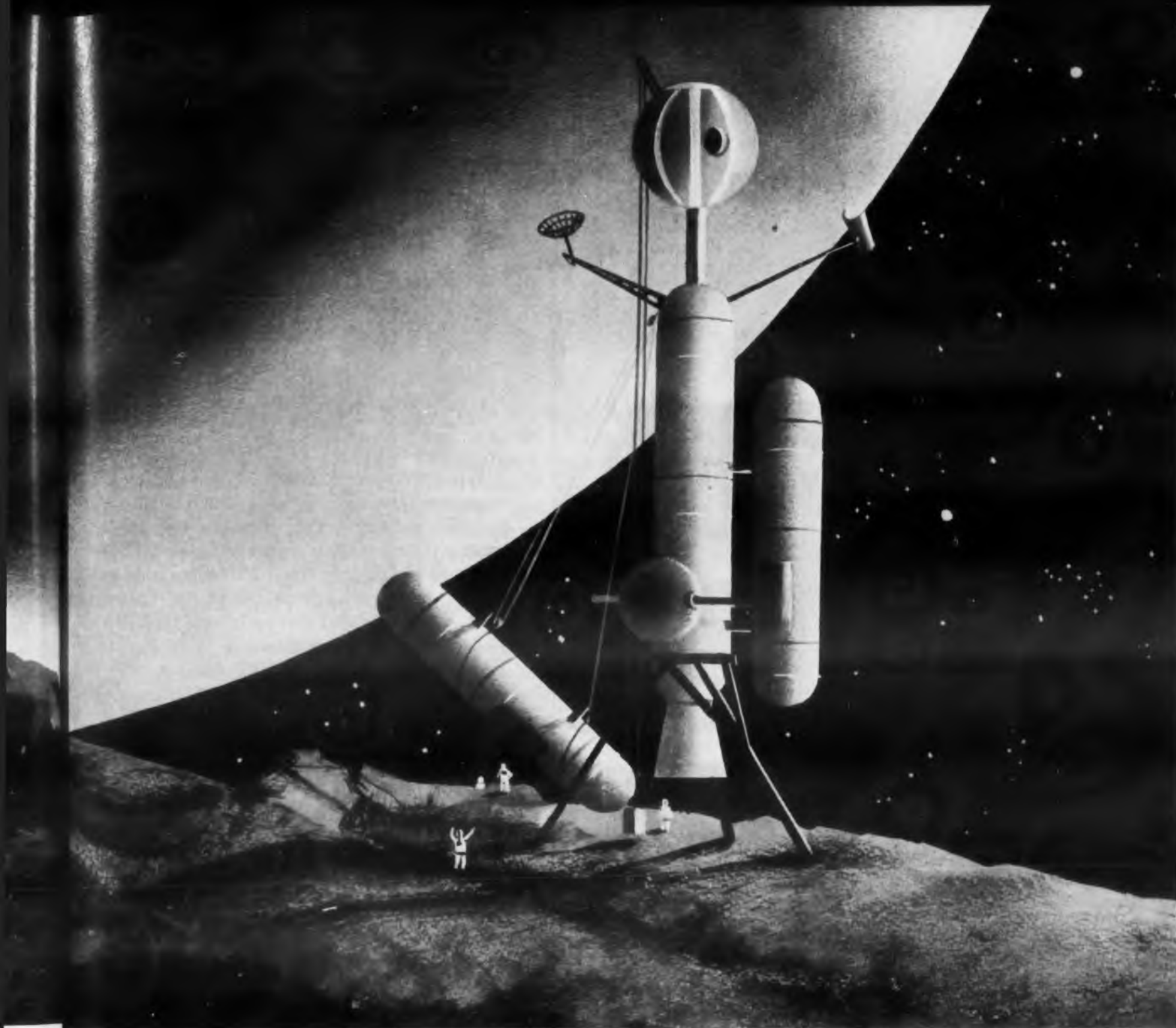
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Andrew Corp., Dept. ED, 363 E. 75th St., Chicago 19, Ill.

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Booth 1502-1504.

Transistor 470 Transformers

Meet Mil-T-27A

These miniature, molded, transistor transformers are designed to meet MIL-T-27A and have a life of 10,000 hr. They measure 0.5 in. in diameter and are 0.5-in high. Weight is 4 g. Primary impedances are 400 to 100,000 ohms and secondary impedances are 11 to 2500 ohms. Construction for operation at 130 C is available on special order.

Microtran Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 145 E. Mineola Ave., Valley Stream, N.Y.

Price & Availability: Units are available for 24-hr delivery. Price is about \$5 ea for small quantity orders.

Booth 2315.

Vibration Pickup 372

Compact in design

Model TD-6 vibration pickup, having a wide frequency range, is about half the size of the previous model. The threshold velocity of this unit is essentially zero.

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Industro Transistor Corp, Dept. ED, 35-10 36th Ave., Long Island City 6, N.Y.

Price & Availability: Price is \$22.70 ea for 1 to 99 units; \$15.15 for 100 to 999 units. They are available from stock.

Booth 1628.

Wideband Mixer-Preamplifier

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Range is 8.5 to 9.6 kmc



Model MMX-5 matched microwave-mixer assembly covers the range of 8.5 to 9.6 kmc and provides an if output-bandwidth of 100 mc. The if center frequency is 250 mc, gain is 15 db, and over-all noise figure is 10 db. The microwave receiver's front end is capable of handling the short pulses required for high resolution radar systems.

I.E.L., Inc., Dept. ED, 380 Oak St., Copiague, N.Y.

Price & Availability: Price is \$925 ea when one unit is ordered. Discounts are furnished for quantities. Delivery is in 30 days.

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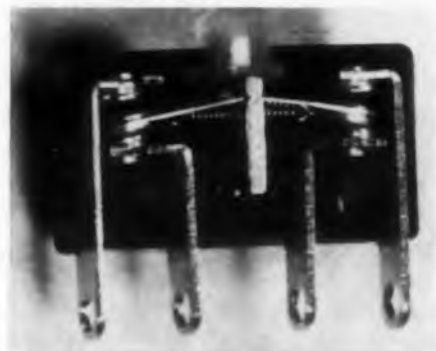
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Subminiature Switch

354

Rating is 10 amp at 30 v dc



Type 16 subminiature switch is rated at 10 amp at 30 v dc, inductive. Mechanical life is over 20,000,000 cycles and electrical life is over 940,000 cycles at 5 amp, 115 v ac and 140 cycles at 10 amp, 30 v dc. The unit has double break contacts and can operate from -100 to $+300$ F. It meets MIL-S-6743 as well as some of the requirements of MIL-E-5272. Solder, screw, or quick-disconnect type terminals are offered; they may extend from the bottom, the side, or the ends of the case.

Illinois Tool Works., Licon Div., Dept. ED, 6606 W. Dakin St., Chicago 34, Ill.

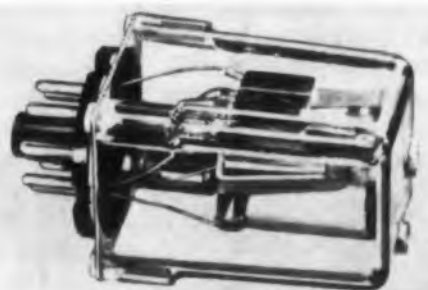
Price & Availability: Standard units are available from stock; others can be supplied in six to eight weeks. Price is quoted on request.

Booth 1506.

Miniature Plug-In Relay

353

Has transparent cover



This class 33 plug-in mounted relay is furnished with a transparent styrene cover, which permits operating visibility, insulates the relay from electrical interference, and offers protection from dust or iron filings. The relay can be furnished for dc operation with contact combinations up to 3pdt. The enclosure is available with 8- or 12-pin octal style plugs. Over-all dimensions, including plug, are $2-11/12 \times 1-3/8 \times 1-3/8$ in.

Magnecraft Electric Co., Dept. ED, 3350D W. Grand Ave., Chicago 51, Ill.

Price & Availability: Price is \$3.50 to \$9.50 ea, depending on quantity and specifications. Delivery is in two to four weeks.

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NEW PRODUCTS AT THE IRE SHOW

Timing System

455

Has 60-cps generator



This transistorized timing-system provides a time accuracy of 0.1 sec per week. The system incorporates a generator which provides 60-cps power, a power amplifier which boosts the 60 cps to 15 w for chart drives and other motors, and a clock and photocell-gated programmer providing 10-sec, 1-min, 30-min, and 1-hr timing pulses. A stroboscope has a scale displaying WWV signals so that system time can be compared and corrected. The system is powered by 24-v batteries. It operates over the temperature range of -10 to $+50$ C and with relative humidity of 0% to 95%. It weighs 25 lb.

The Geotechnical Corp., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 28277, Dallas 28, Tex.
Booth 3240.

Rheostat Potentiometers

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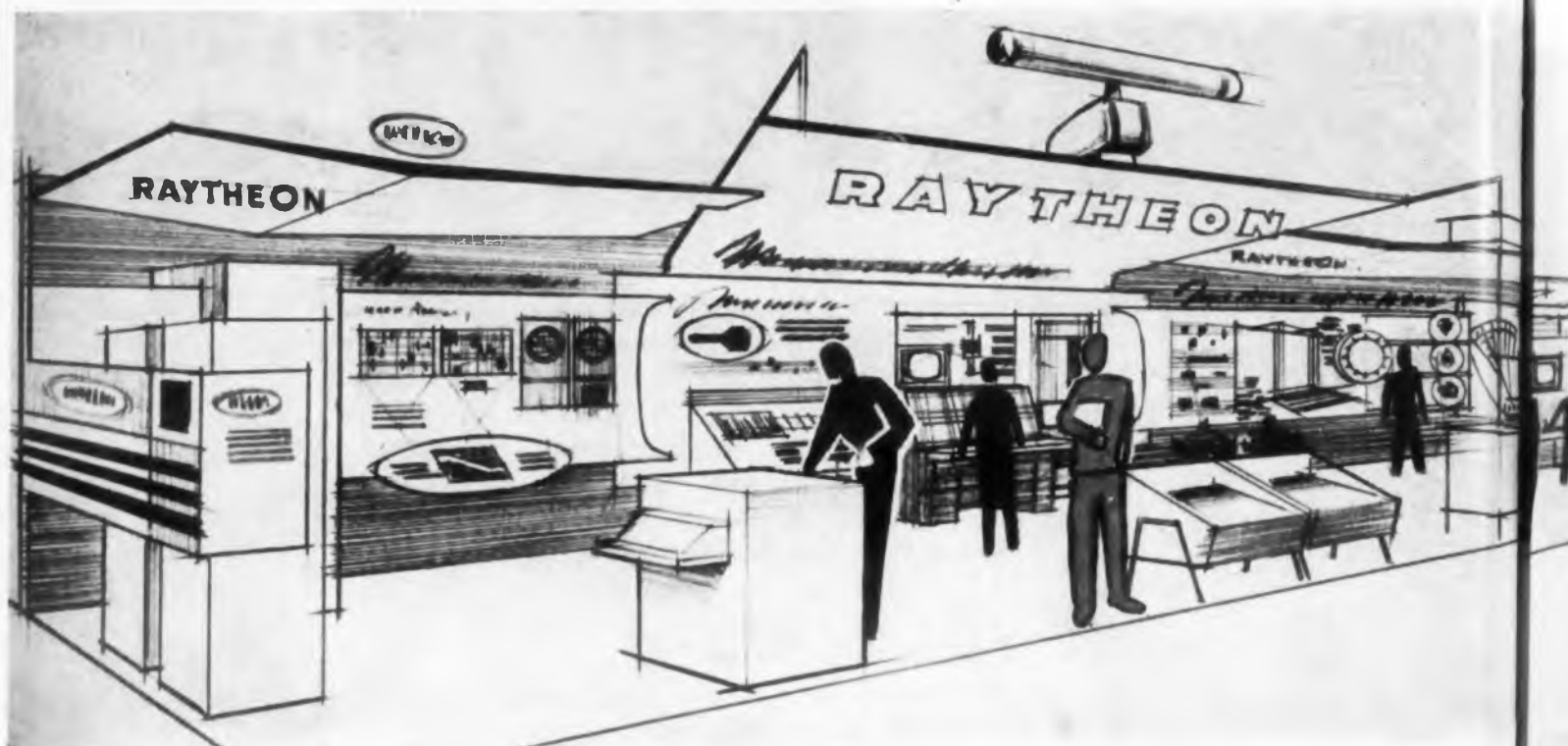
Come in sizes of 25 to 150 w



These rheostat potentiometers come in sizes of 25, 50, 75, 100, and 150 w with variations of shafts, tolerances, and off positions. The units are designed to meet MIL-R-22. Large cores allow for longer life and prevent burnouts. Other characteristics are: no backlash in shaft, precise winding, insulated shaft, high temperature enamel, and rugged construction.

Tru-Ohm Products, Div. of Model Engineering & Manufacturing, Inc., Dept. ED, 2800 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago 18, Ill.
Booth 2305.

See these new Raytheon Product



INDUSTRIAL COMPONENTS DIVISION

New Kilo-line recording storage tubes provide 1000 TV lines at 50% modulation.

These high-resolution, low-noise tubes for frequency and scan conversion utilize a specially designed tetrode electron gun for a resolution of 1,000 TV lines at 50% modulation and provide better control over beam cut-off than conventional triode guns. Applications include: (1) scan conversion for bright display radar and moving target indicators, (2) slow-down video for still picture telephone transmission, (3) stop-motion video.



CIRCLE 832

New pointer knobs virtually eliminate parallax.

Two new sloping pointer style control knobs have been added to Raytheon's widely used commercial and military knob line. The new pointer series complies fully with military specifications and is available in black or



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CIRCLE 833

COMMERCIAL APPARATUS & SYSTEMS DIVISION

New Voltage-regulating PF transformer holds voltages to within $\pm 3\%$.

The new Raytheon voltage regulating PF transformer maintains plate and filament voltages to within $\pm 3\%$ of rated output with line voltage variation of from 100 to 130 volts. PF transformers are now available in three standard models with ratings up to 380 VDC at 250 MA. They eliminate need for VR tubes and special circuitry.



CIRCLE 834

Sorensen Series Q line of power supplies for 6, 12 or 28 VDC regulated.

The Sorensen Series Q power supply line is comprised of 15 different models with outputs of 6, 12 or 28 VDC, adjustable approximately $\pm 25\%$. Voltages are regulated within $\pm 0.05\%$ for load and line combined. Power capacities range up to 200 watts. The complete line of Sorensen power supplies covers requirements from 600,000 volts down to 3 volts. Sorensen also offers a line of frequency changers and line voltage regulators.



CIRCLE 835

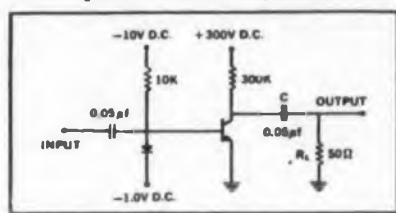
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Developments at the IRE Show

SEMICONDUCTOR DIVISION

New "Avalanche Mode" Silicon Transistor switches in $2\frac{1}{2}$ milli- μ sec.

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2N1468 Silicon NPN transistor for avalanche mode operations. Other features: 40 watts peak power, average power dissipation of 250 milliwatts, maximum operating temperature of 125°C .

CIRCLE 836

New Silicon Mesa Transistor in Subminiature Package.

Raytheon's Semiconductor Division announces the availability of high-performance Silicon Mesa transistors in subminiature packages (.130" D., .160" H.). These units feature the reliable "Mesa" construction, alpha cut-off frequencies up to 50 megacycles and close control of DC base-current gain in high-speed switching types.



CIRCLE 864



ON THE SECOND FLOOR, to the right of the escalator, you'll find this Raytheon exhibit of electronic component and equipment advances—N. Y. Coliseum, Booths 2604-2614.

MICROWAVE AND POWER TUBE DIVISION

Four new ruggedized backward wave oscillators cover 1-12.4 kmc.

Four compatible Raytheon BWO's now provide continuous frequency coverage from 1 to 12.4 kmc. They utilize interdigital delay-line structures for greater ruggedness and heat dissipating characteristics, are smaller and lighter than their predecessors and have improved fine-grain tuning variations with minimized fine-grain power output variations. Forced air cooling is not required under normal operating conditions.



CIRCLE 860

New ferrite circulators for masers, parametric amplifiers and radio astronomy.

A standard line of extremely compact, low-frequency, three-port ferrite circulators is now available from Raytheon. Now, a total of twenty-eight units are avail-



able — for UHF as well as S- and L-band applications. The new UHF unit extends the frequency range down to 400 mc. These circulators are supplied with fixed permanent magnet fields (as illustrated) or with tuned magnetic fields for full performance over a broader band.

CIRCLE 861

UHF planar triode has 60% more cathode current capacity.

This unique, Machlett developed UHF planar triode with ceramic envelope has 1.6 times the cathode current rating of the more conventional tubes in current use. The new ML-7211 has applications in communications, navigation, telemetering, radar and missile equipment of the most advanced design.



CIRCLE 862

Improved camera tube for general closed-circuit TV applications.

Machlett's novel vidicon camera tube features photoconductor guard and self-aligning beam eliminating the need for permanent magnets or coils. This tube will be exhibited at the IRE along with Machlett's water-cooled triode rated at 20-megawatts peak power, a scan conversion tube for conversion of radar information to TV display, and a high-power vapor cooled tube for general purpose modulator, amplifier and oscillator services.

CIRCLE 863



MACHLETT LABORATORIES

Crystal Frequency Synthesizer 393

Output range is 2 to 34 mc



Model N317 crystal frequency synthesizer has an output range of 2 to 34 mc, covered in four bands. Stability is better than 1×10^{-8} per day. Spurious signals, except harmonics of the output, are suppressed to -80 db. Minimum tuning increment is 125 cps; rapid tuning in 10-kc steps is also permitted. Power output at any setting is 100 mw min into a 50-ohm load. Input is 200 w, 117 v, 60 cps. Applications include: transmitter exciters, frequency standards, signal generators, frequency meters, and sideband receivers. Both bench and rack models are offered.

Manson Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 1214, Stamford, Conn.

Price & Availability: Price is \$9500; delivery time is 120 days.

Booth 3923.

Subminiature Crystal Case Relay 364

Is dpdt type



This dpdt subminiature crystal case relay meets severe industrial and military specifications and exceeds the requirements of MIL-R-25018, MIL-R-5757C, and MS24250. It can be used in control systems, computers, airborne and guided missile equipment, and similar applications. Bifurcated contact structure is used to improve reliability and efficiency in dry circuit applications. The relay is designed for continuous operation from -65 to $+125$ C and has a life expectancy of 100,000 operations. It is slightly more than 1 in. long and weighs about 0.5 oz.

Union Switch & Signal, Div. of Westinghouse Air Brake Co., Dept. ED, Swissvale, Pa.

Price & Availability: Information on request. Booth 2122-2124.

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449

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Industrial Instruments Automation Corp., Dept. ED, 89 Commerce Rd., Cedar Grove, Essex County, N.J.
Booth 3227-3229.

Power Oscillator

355

Has outputs of 100 and 1000 v



Model DK-115-14 precision power oscillator is a 15-w unit with outputs of 100 and 1000 v. Regulation on both outputs is better than 0.1%. The temperature-sensitive bridge elements are encapsulated in a constant temperature oven to provide voltage stability. Frequency range of the unit is 200 cps to 10 kc. For relay rack mounting, the unit has dimensions of 5.25 x 8 x 19 in. Other voltage arrangements can be provided.

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

Price & Availability: Price is \$795. Delivery time is four weeks.
Booth 3018.

Panel Meters

358

For standard voltage and current ratings



For all standard ac and dc voltage ratings as well as current ratings, the Big Look panel meters have a 3.93-in. scale length. Scales are custom made to meet customer requirements. Mounting conforms to ASA C39.1. They are 4.5-in. units.

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

Price & Availability: The product will be available from stock by May 1, 1960. Price has not been determined.

Booth 2904-2932.

Vane Axial Blower

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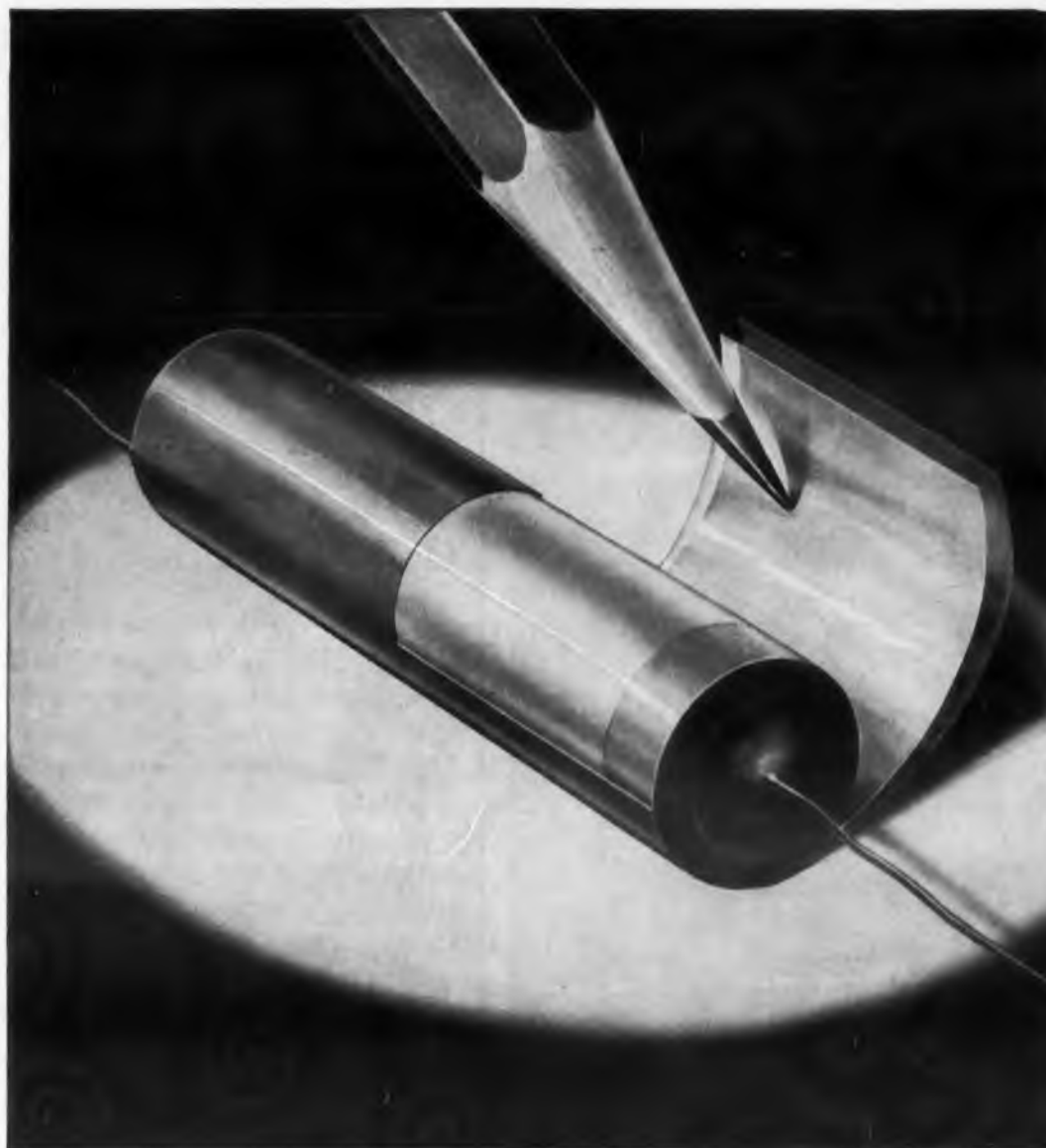
Delivers 200 cfm



Model E2543-200 vane axial blower operating at 10,500 rpm delivers 200 cfm at 3/4-in. water gage. It is for use where maximum air and medium static pressure are important. Having class F insulation, the unit stands ambient temperatures to 85 C and has a life in excess of 5000 hr. It also meets MIL-E-5400B. Weighing 3.5 lb, the unit utilizes a motor with a 2-5/16 in. diam and has over-all dimensions of 4 in. in diameter and 4-1/2 in. in length.

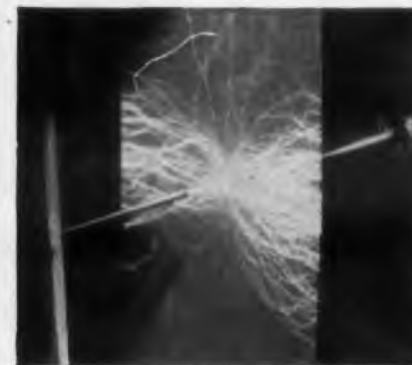
Air-Marine Motors, Inc., Dept. ED, 369 Bayview Ave., Amityville, L.I., N.Y.
Booth 2601.

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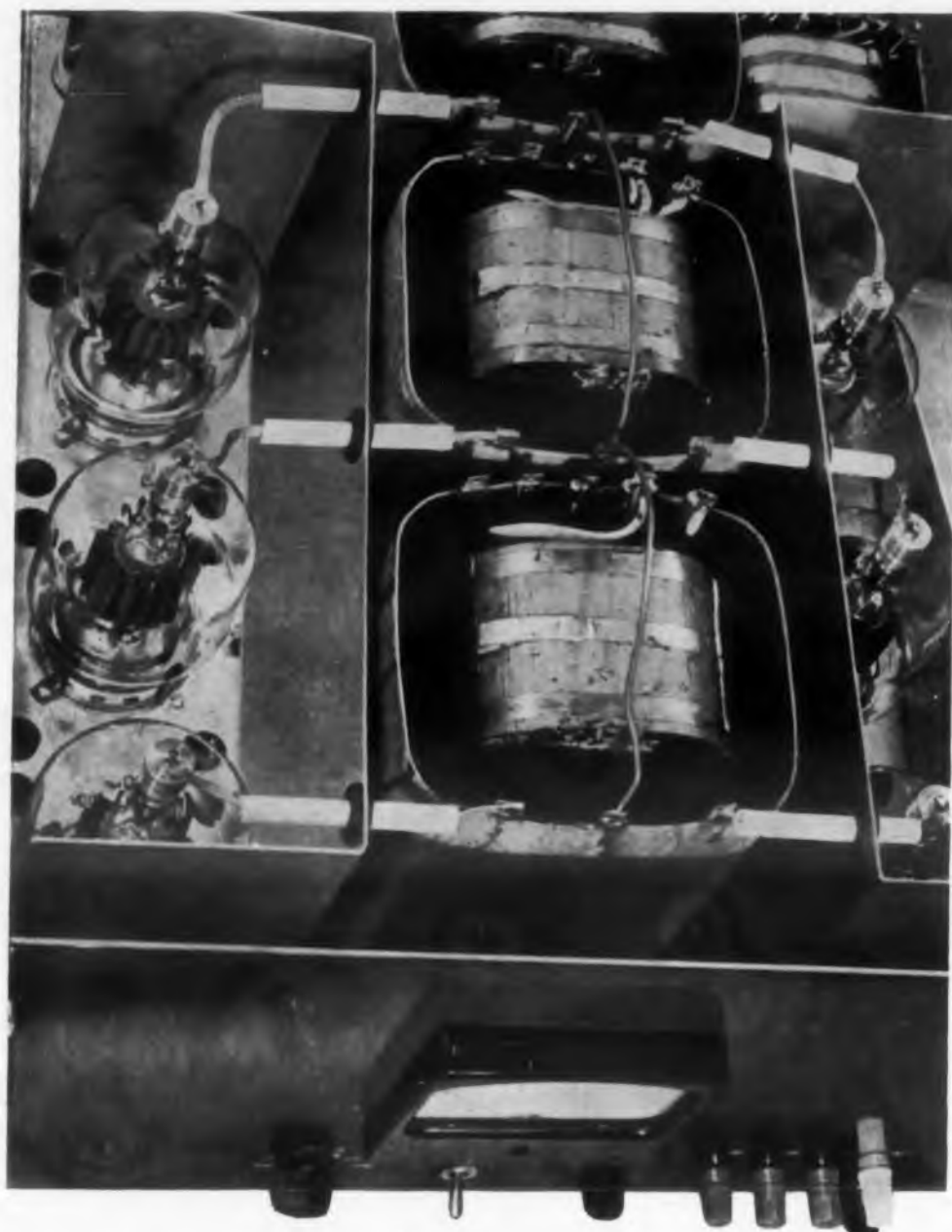
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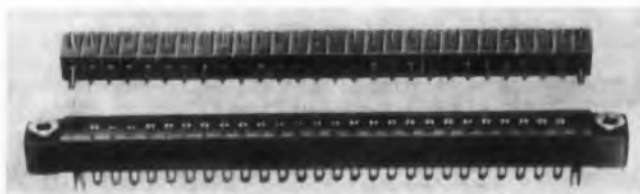
Sperry Electronic Tube Div., Sperry Rand Corp., Dept. ED, Gainesville, Fla.

Price & Availability: Delivery is in 60 days; Price is quoted on request. Booth 2432-2438.

Printed Circuit Connectors

457

Have 28 contacts



Series 200-70-15, 14, and 13 right-angle plug and socket printed circuit connector has 28 contacts. It can be supplied with or without threaded mounting-holes for dip soldering. The body material is glass-reinforced with diallyl phthalate as per MIL-M-19833. A polarizing key can be placed in any socket contact from 2 to 27 after the mating-pin contact has been removed.

Continental Connector Corp., Dept. ED, 34-63 56th St., Woodside 77, N.Y.

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Time Delay Relay

363

Delay times are 50 msec to 3 min



Series 1100 time delay relay has standard delay times of 50 msec to 3 min during operate or release cycle. Accuracies of 10% or better can be obtained under the following operating conditions: vibration, 20 g at up to 2000 cps; temperature, -65 to +125 C; and shock, 50 g. Contact ratings to 10 amp are offered. Units are supplied for either ac or dc source voltages. Relays with longer delays or with delay during operate or release time can also be furnished.

Hi-G, Inc., Dept. ED, Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn.

Price & Availability: Units are made on order and can be delivered in 30 to 60 days. Price is quoted on request.

Booth 2227.

Amplifier

454

Range is 30 to 300 mc

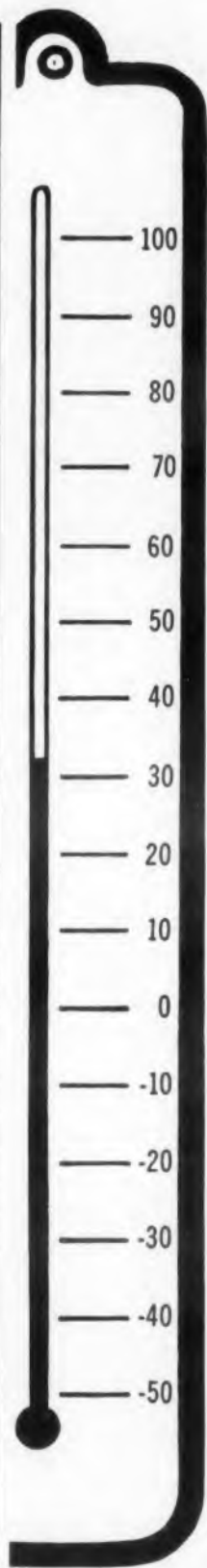


Model UH-2(A)S amplifier, designed to have a minimum noise-figure, operates in the range of 30 to 300 mc. The unit uses coplanar triodes in a cascade circuit. Broadband response is 5% to 10% of center frequency. Gain is up to 25 db, input impedance is 50 ohms, and output impedance is 50 ohms. The unit measures 6.75 x 3.5 x 3.5 in. and weighs 2-7/8 lb.

Applied Research Inc., Dept. ED, Port Washington, N.Y.

Availability: The unit is made on order and can be delivered in 30 days.

Booth 1110.



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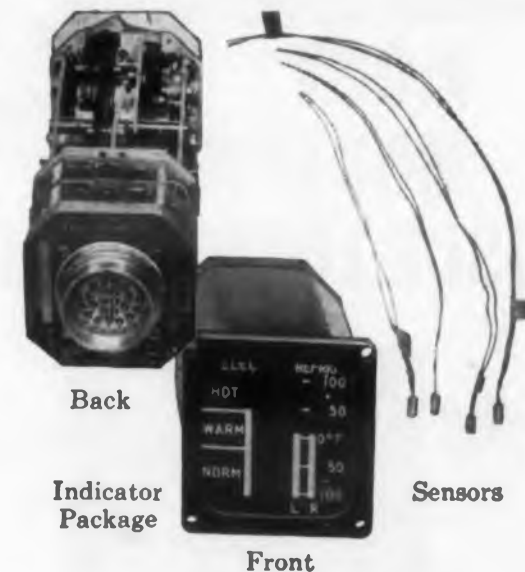


The device illustrated senses and displays the highest of 4 temperature sensor signals on the Conqair B-58 supersonic bomber. It also reads out the temperature of the plane's 2 refrigeration systems. However, the unit can monitor temperature of any military or commercial electronic system. Special versions can be furnished to monitor any analog voltage signal.

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Entire unit (component parts illustrated) has an accuracy of 1½%, weighs only 3.85 lbs. max., requires only 2¾" panel space, and does the work of 6 indicating systems. Component parts consist of 4 sensors, a computer package with 6 channels, and a hermetically sealed indicator package.

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501

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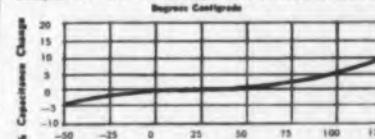
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| Capacitance in Mfd. | 626G* | | 627G | | 628G* | | 629G | | 616G† | | 617G† | |
|---------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | D | L | D | L | D | L | D | L | D | L | D | L |
| .001 | .173 x 3/16 | .173 x 1/8 | .173 x 3/16 | .173 x 1/8 | .173 x 3/16 | .173 x 1/8 | .173 x 3/16 | .173 x 1/8 | .173 x 3/16 | .173 x 1/8 | .173 x 3/16 | .173 x 1/8 |
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| .01 | .173 x 3/16 | .173 x 1/8 | .173 x 3/16 | .173 x 1/8 | .173 x 3/16 | .173 x 1/8 | .173 x 3/16 | .173 x 1/8 | .193 x 3/16 | .193 x 1/8 | .193 x 3/16 | .193 x 1/8 |
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| .22 | .400 x 1/8 | .400 x 1/8 | .400 x 1/8 | .400 x 1/8 | .400 x 1/8 | .400 x 1/8 | .400 x 1/8 | .400 x 1/8 | .500 x 1/8 | .500 x 1/8 | .500 x 1/8 | .500 x 1/8 |
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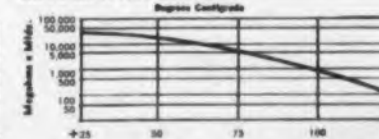
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JFD Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 6101 Sixteenth Ave., Brooklyn 4, N.Y.

Availability: Units are available for 7-day delivery.

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VTVM

627

Full scale sensitivity is 3 mv

This ac vtvm has a sensitivity of 3 mv full scale and provides 11 ranges which extend to 300 v. Response range is 20 cps to 2.5 mc and accuracy is within 3% over the frequency range. The proper range is automatically selected when the probes touch the circuit. The instrument is for operation on 105 to 125 v ac, measures 10-1/4 x 6-5/8 x 10-1/4 in., and weighs 13-1/2 lb.

Allied Radio Corp., Dept. ED, 100 N. Western Ave., Chicago 80, Ill.

Price & Availability: Available from stock, the unit is priced at \$99.50.

Booth 3915-3917.

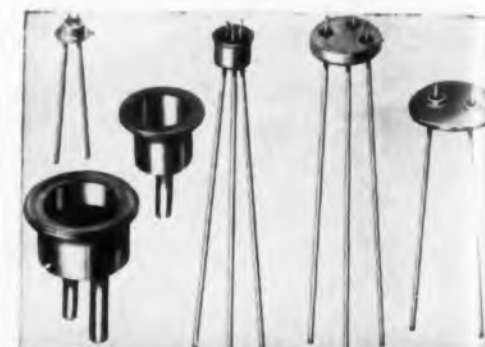
Traveling Wave Tube

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Gain is 30 db min



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388

Range is 1 cps to 1 mc



Model N-2 signal generator has a frequency range of 1 cps to 1 mc. Its distortion is 0.2%. The built-in meter and attenuator permit the output amplitude to be set at any value, eliminating the necessity for a voltmeter to monitor the output. This unit replaces model M-2.

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511

Provides 350 cfm



Model MSA 11000 blower unit provides 350 cfm at 5.8 SP at a density of 0.075. It can be furnished in speeds of 5400, 7500, and 11,500 rpm at 115, 200, 208, and 440 v. The unit weighs 5-3/4 lb, and meets military requirements for environmental conditions.

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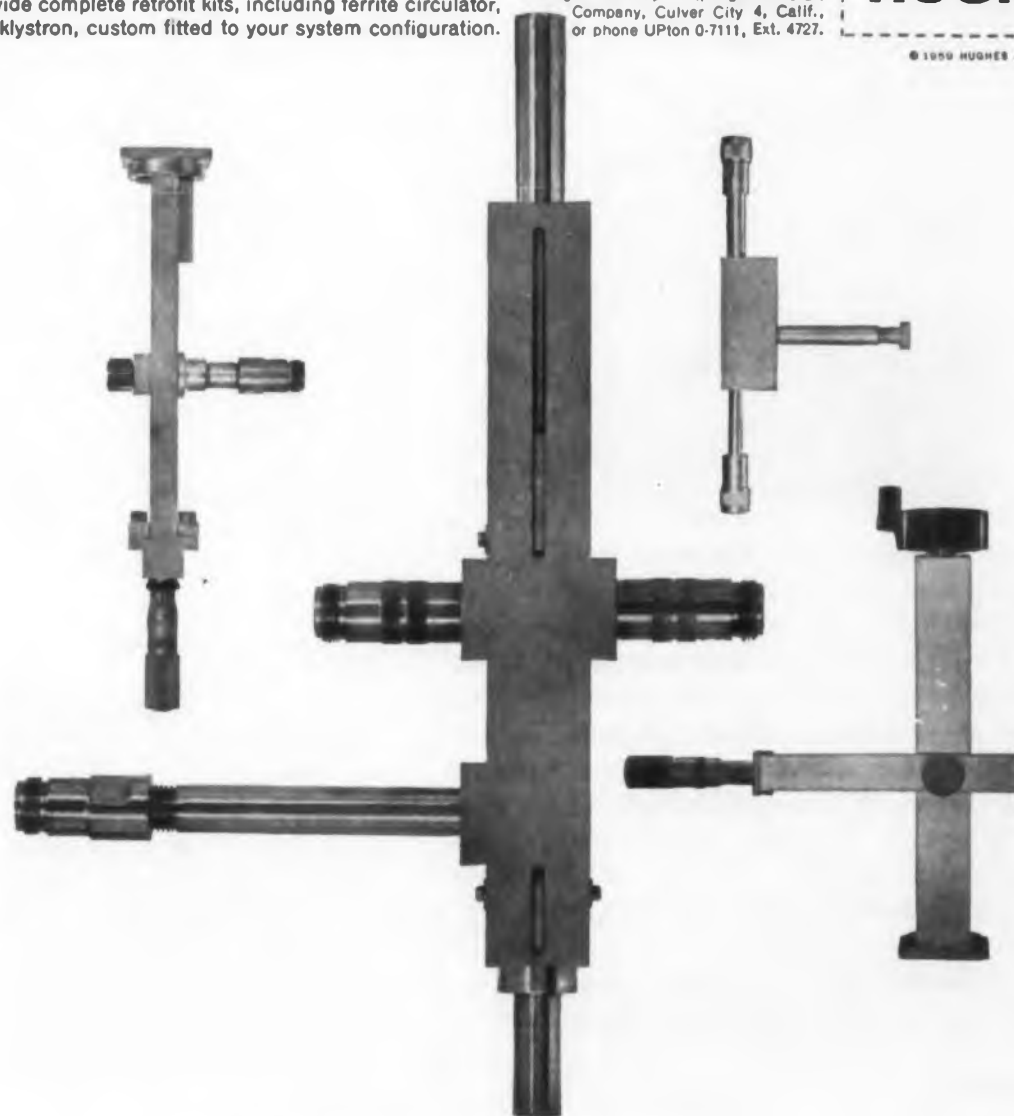
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| | L Band | S Band | C Band | X Band |
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| Bandwidth | 2 to 10 mc | Up to 25 mc | Up to 25 mc | 2 to 8 mc |
| Noise Figure | 2 to 4 db | 2 to 4 db | 2 to 4 db | 6 db |
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Voltmeter

385

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Southwestern Industrial Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 10201 Westheimer Road, P.O. Box 13058, Houston 19, Tex.

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Booth 3307-3309.

Power Supplies

357

Regulation is $\pm 0.01\%$



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Quan-Tech Laboratories, Dept. ED, 60 Parsippany Blvd., Boonton, N.J.

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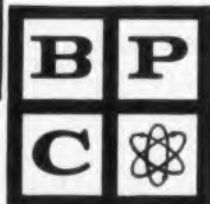
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Booth 2911.

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504

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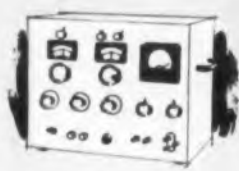
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Delay Line

460

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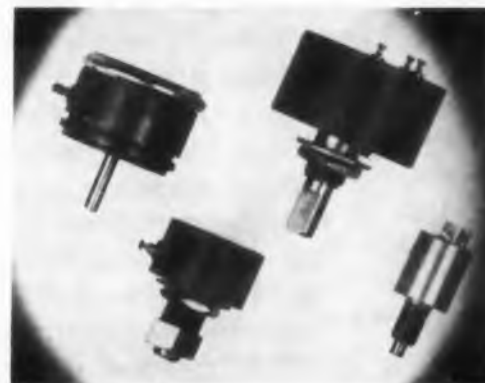
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Plastic Potentiometers

494

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Ace Electronics Associates, Inc., Dept. ED, Somerville, Mass.
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Continental Connector Corp., Dept. ED, 34-63 56th St., Woodside 77, N.Y.

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Availability: The units are furnished from stock. Booth 2209.

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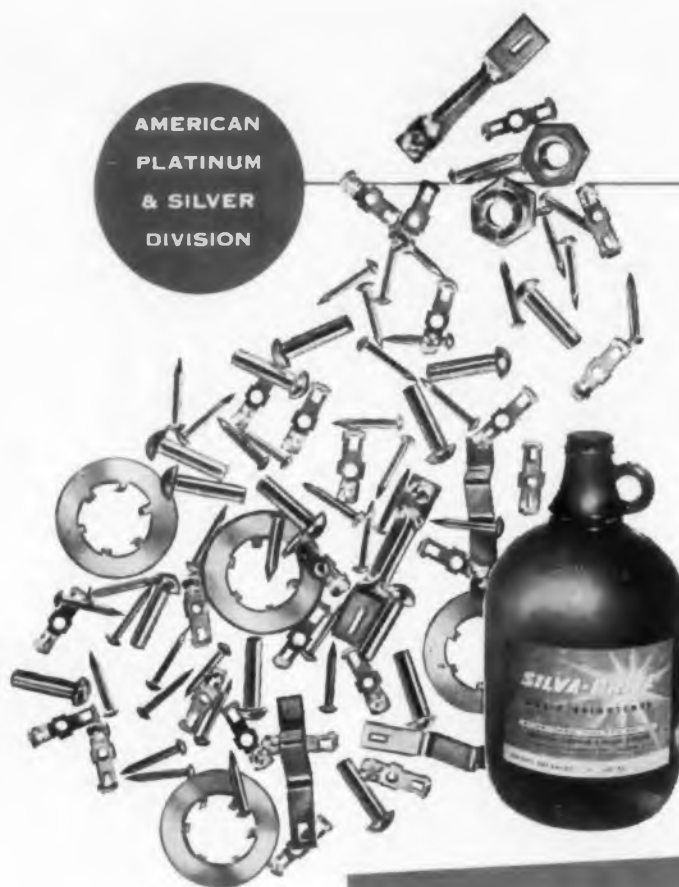


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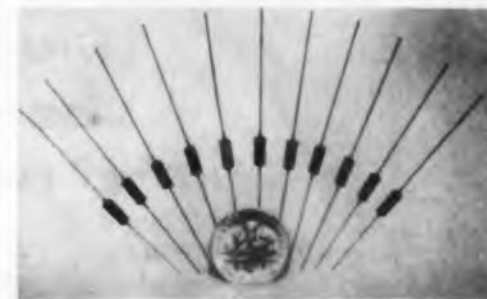
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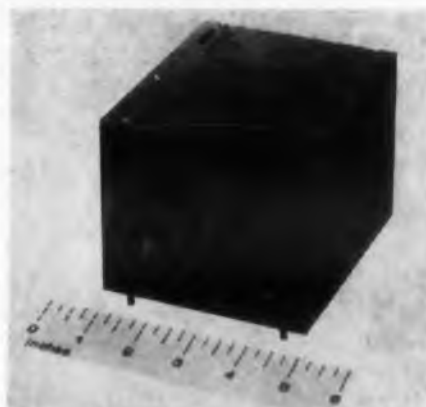
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402

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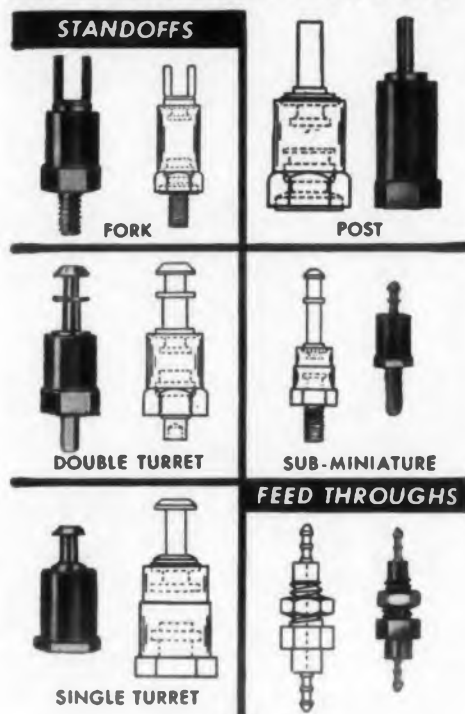
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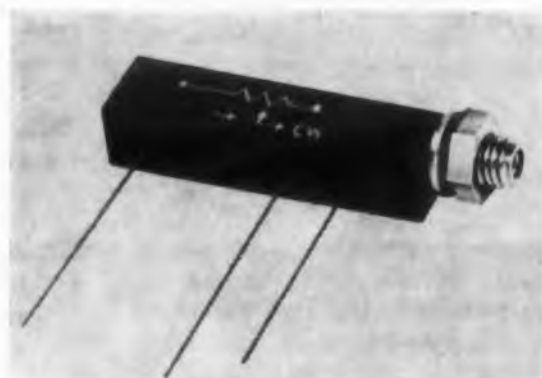
The W. L. Maxson Corp., Unimax Switch Div., Dept. ED, Ives Road, Wallingford, Conn.

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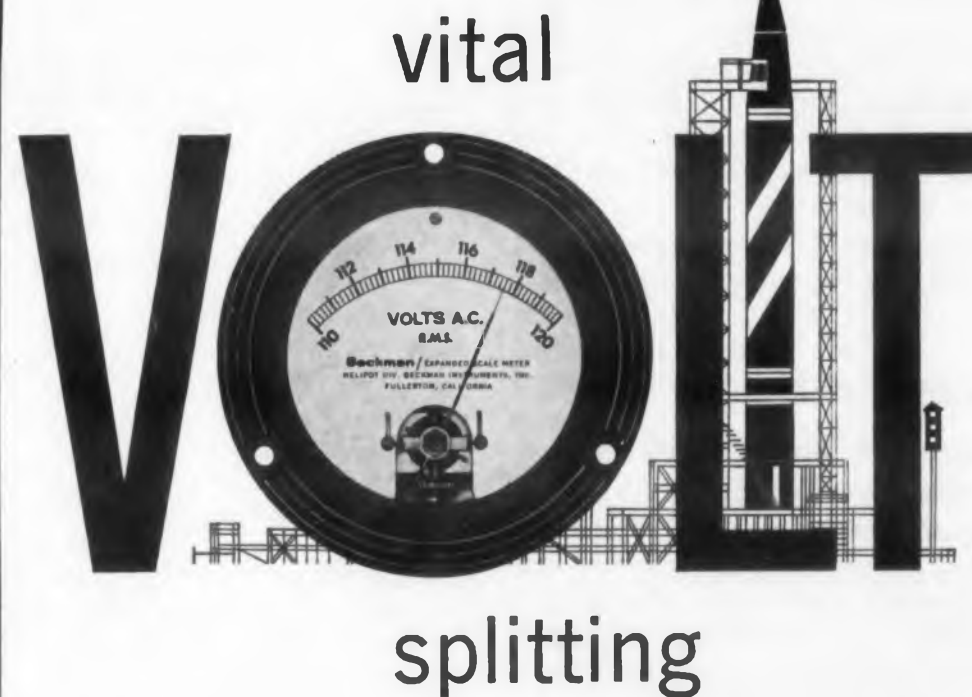
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Accuracy: 0.02% ± 1 digit for 10 microvolt range of $.00001$ to $.09999$ v; 0.01% ± 1 digit from $.0001$ to 999.9 v

Input Impedance: 1000 megohms up to 9.999 v;
11 megohms up to 999.9 v

Average Reading Time: 50 milliseconds

Operating Ambient Temperature: 0-50°C

Maximum Source Impedance: 5 K ohms on 10 microvolt range only; noncritical all other

Automatic Features: Ranging, polarity

DC VOLTAGE SPECIFICATIONS: Apply to all instruments except those incorporating the pre-amplifier

Range: $\pm .0001$ to $\pm .9999$;
 ± 1.000 to ± 9.999 ;
 ± 10.00 to ± 99.99 ;
 ± 100.0 to ± 999.9 v

Accuracy: 0.01% ± 1 digit

Input Impedance: 1000 megohms to ± 9.999 v;
11 megohms to ± 999.9 v

Average Reading Time: 50 milliseconds

Max. Balance Time: 200 milliseconds

Operating Ambient Temperature: 0-50°C

Automatic Features: Ranging, polarity

DC RATIO SPECIFICATIONS: Apply to all instruments measuring DC ratios

Range: .0000 to $.9999^{\circ}$

Accuracy: ± 1 digit

Input Impedance: 1000 megohms

Average Reading Time: 50 milliseconds

Max. Balance Time: 100 milliseconds

Reference Voltage: 10 volts $\pm 10\%$ (nominal)

Reference Input Impedance: 1000 megohms

Operating Ambient Temperature: 0-50°C

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AC VOLTAGE SPECIFICATIONS: Apply to all instruments measuring AC voltages

Range: .0000 to $.9999$ VAC;
1.000 to 9.999 VAC;
10.00 to 99.99 VAC;
100.0 to 999.9 VAC

Accuracy: 0.1% and two digits

Frequency Response: 30 cps to 10,000 cps

Input Impedance: 1 megohm shunted by 30 mmfd up to 9.999 VAC;
10 megohms shunted by 30 mmfd up to 999.9 VAC

Average Reading Time: 2 secs. low freq.; $\frac{1}{2}$ sec. high freq. (400 cps and up)

Operating Ambient Temperature: 0-50°C

Automatic Features: Ranging

RESISTANCE SPECIFICATIONS: Apply to all instruments measuring resistances

Range: 000.1 ohms to 999.9 ohms;
1000. ohms to $9999.$ ohms;
10.00 K ohms to 99.99 K ohms;
100.00 K ohms to 999.9 K ohms

Accuracy: 0.01% ± 1 digit to 99.99 K ohms;
0.03% ± 1 digit to 999.9 K ohms

Average Balance Time: 200 milliseconds

Operating Ambient Temperature: 0-50°C

Automatic Features: Ranging (decimal point placement)

ELECTRICAL OUTPUT SPECIFICATIONS: Apply to all instruments incorporating electrical outputs

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ETC Inc., Dept. ED, 990 E. 87th St., Cleveland 3, Ohio.

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Laminates

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Are copper clad

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Taylor Fibre Co., Dept. ED, Norristown, Pa.

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Chassis Slides

485

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These chassis slides come in eleven stock lengths from 10 to 30 in., in 2-in. increments. The Mark 10 series consists of units 1-3/4 in. in height, and a rated capacity of 100 lb; the Mark 20 series slides are 2-1/2-in. high, and have a 200-lb capacity. Models in both series may be flush mounted against the enclosure skin or air flow panel. There is no protruding hardware in operation. The available models include: shelf type, front rail type, standard, 1 position tilt up, or all position.

Markline Electronic Products Inc., Dept. ED, 7227 Whitsett Ave., N. Hollywood, Calif.

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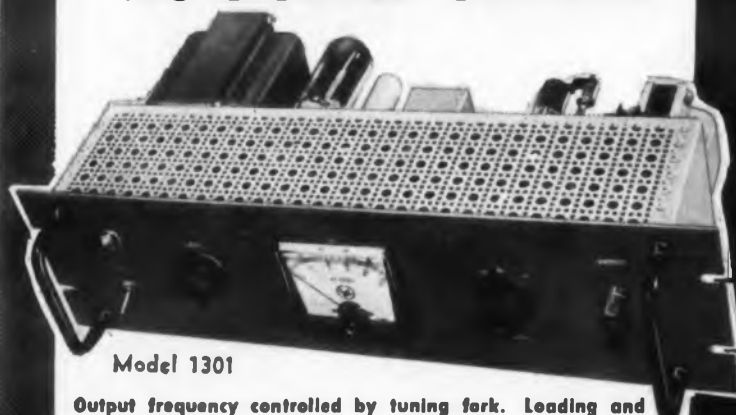
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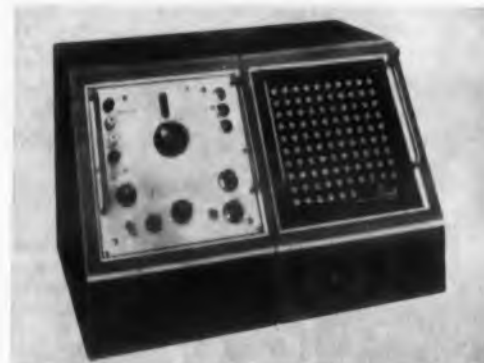
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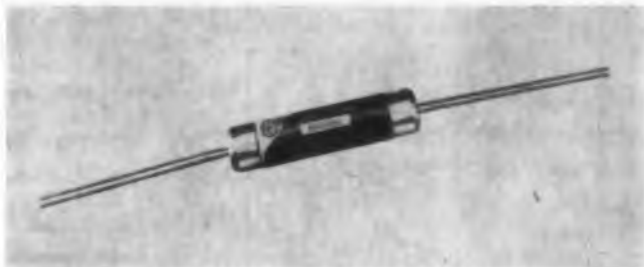
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Control Electronics Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 10 Stepar Place, Huntington Sta., L.I., N.Y.

Hipot Tester

596

Provides from 0 to 10 kv, ac and dc

This unit is made up of a 0 to 10 kv ac and dc sensitive hipot tester, a testing sequence control panel, and a testing compartment. The electronic fault relay is adjustable in six steps from 5 to 5000 μ amp. Dual scale panel meters show voltage and leakage current on each component being tested. Both a straight ground return and a guarded high voltage return are available. Input is standard 115 v, 60 cps.

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Fellow Engineering Co., Dept. ED, 1168 Meadowbrook Road, Altadena, Calif.

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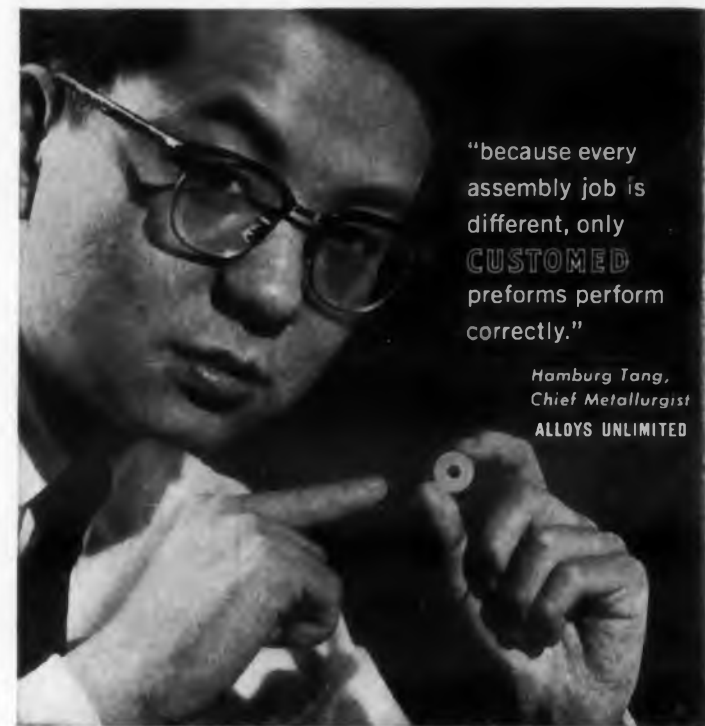
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Yellow Springs Instrument Co., Inc., Dept. ED, Yellow Springs, Ohio.

Price: Model 80 is priced at \$295.

Voltmeter

For measurement down to 10 mv ac or dc



Model SPD-35 voltmeter measures both ac and dc voltages down to 10 mv. It has 10 standard voltage ranges in ac and dc, up to 300 v. For ac measurement, it has an input impedance of 5 megohms shunted by 25 μ f. Frequency range is 25 cps to 250 kc. The ac accuracy is $\pm 3\%$ full scale up to 100 kc and $\pm 5\%$ up to 250 kc. The dc circuit is stabilized by two feedback loops, one of which includes a chopper. The dc accuracy is $\pm 3\%$ on all ranges. Made for built-in half relay-rack mounting in systems and consoles, it permits continuous monitoring of critical parameters. Arc length of the meter is 5-1/8 in.

Metronix, Inc., Dept. ED, Chesterland, Ohio.

Price & Availability: Price is \$430; delivery is in 4 to 6 weeks.

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TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS #A2215

Environmental Capabilities

Vibration: 5g, 20-1000 cps; 10g, 1000-2000 cps
Temperature Range (operative): -54°C to +71°C (non-operative): -65°C to +85°C
Altitude: Unlimited

Azimuth Pickoff

Excitation: 26V, 400 cps, single phase
Output (sinusoidal): 11.8V \pm 5% max.
Error from E.Z.: 10 min. max.

Motor

Excitation: 115V, 400 cps, three phase
Speed: 23,500 RPM
Power: Starting: 35 watts
Running: 7.5 watts

Performance Characteristics

Drift: 4°/hr. max.
Leveling Rate: Between 2° and 4°/min.
Azimuth Torquing Rate: 360°/min. (intermittent)
40°/min. (continuous)

Physical Features

Dimensions: 4" dia. x 5 3/8" long
Weight: 5.5 lbs. (approx.)

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TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS #B2115

Environmental Capabilities

Vibration: 5g, 20-1000 cps; 10g, 1000-2000 cps
Temperature Range (operative): -54°C to +71°C (non-operative): -65°C to +85°C
Altitude: Unlimited

Pickoffs

Excitation: 26V, 400 cps, single phase
Error from E.Z.: 10 min. max.
Output Voltage (line to line): 11.8V \pm 5% max.

Motor

Excitation: 115V, 400 cps, three phase
Power: Starting: 35 watts
Running: 7.5 watts

Performance Characteristics

Repeatability of Established Vertical: To within a cone of half angle equal to 12 minutes of arc
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Erection Rate: Normal: Between 2° and 4°/min.
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TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS #Q2315

Environmental Capabilities

Temperature Range (operative): -54°C to +71°C (non-operative): -65°C to +85°C
Altitude: Unlimited
Vibration: 10g, 10-2000cps

Pickoffs

Excitation: 26V, 400 cps, single phase
Output (sinusoidal): 11.8V \pm 5% max.
Error from E.Z.: 10 min. max.

Motor

Excitation: 115V, 400 cps, three phase
Speed: 23,500 RPM
Momentum: 2.25 x 10⁶ gm cm²/sec.

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(Electrically energized torquer type)
Excitation: 115V max./phase
Torquer Constant: 22.8 dyne cm/Volt²

Performance Characteristics

Free Drift: 0.5°/minute each axis
Runup Time: 1 minute max.
Torquing Rate: 360°/min. (intermittent)
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Physical Features

Dimensions: 4" dia. x 5 3/8" long
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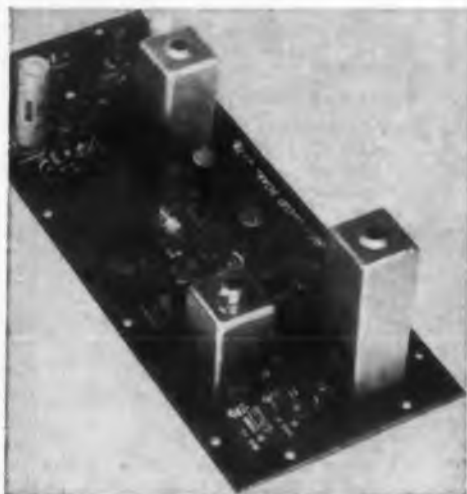
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Hewlett-Packard Co., Dept. ED, 275 Page Mill Road, Palo Alto, Calif.
Booth 3302-3304-3306, 3401-3403-3405.

Attenuators 680

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FXR, Inc., Dept. ED, 26-12 Borough Place, Woodside 77, N.Y.
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Varian Assoc., Dept. ED, 611 Hansen Way, Palo Alto, Calif.

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Booth 2714-2720.

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549

Accuracy is 2%

Model 978 vhf admittance bridge has an accuracy of 2% from 30 to 300 mc. Capacitance is ± 40 μ f and conductance is 0 to 50 millimhos. A miniature thermistor element employed in a servo feedback system is used as a conductance standard. Two-terminal measurements can be made on rf components, semiconductors, transmission lines, and other devices. The test voltage is rarely more than 50 mv.

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

Booth 3301-3303-3305.

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547

For fm, am and cw signals



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Nems-Clark Co., Dept. ED, 919 Jesup Blair Drive, Silver Spring, Md.

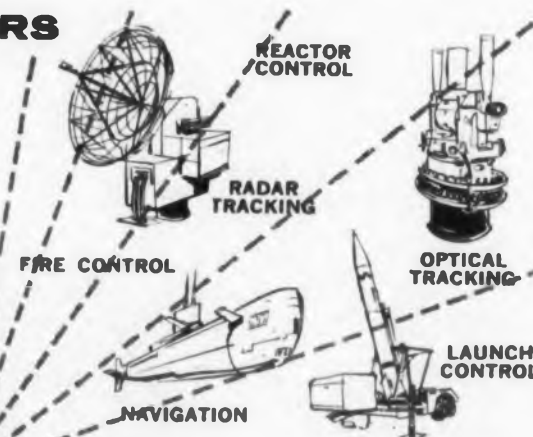
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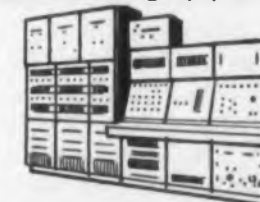
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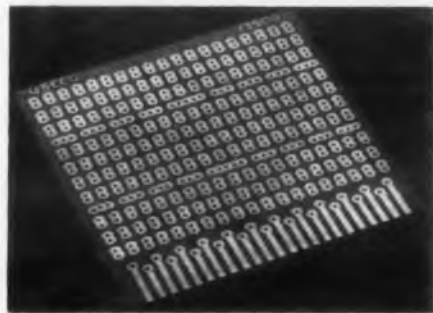


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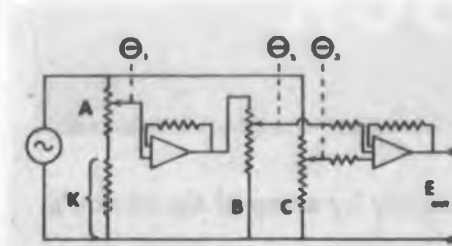
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DESIGN IDEAS FOR ELECTRONIC ENGINEERS:

How to design better analog computing circuits with Vernistat* a. c. potentiometers

Analog computers typically use such components as potentiometers, resolvers, and linear synchros to relate shaft position to voltage. In most applications, to reduce the effect of loading error, high impedance circuits, and phase shift, a substantial amount of additional equipment, such as isolation amplifiers and auxiliary power supplies, is required. Size, weight, heat dissipation, and possibility of failure are thus greater than if loading error, phase shift, and high output impedance problems did not exist.

Typical of a class of equations which are incorporated into such analog computer circuitry is the relation $E_{out} = [K + A(\theta_1)] B(\theta_2) + C(\theta_3)$.



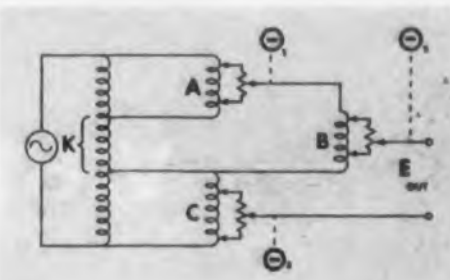
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Cook Batteries, Dept. ED, 3850 Olive St., Denver 7, Colo.

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Ultek Corp., Dept. ED, 920 Commercial St., Palo Alto, Calif.

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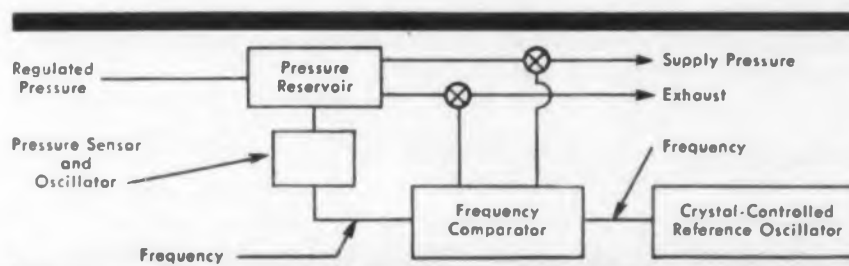
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Control Equipment Corp., Dept. ED, 19 Kearney Rd., Needham Heights 94, Mass.

Power Dividers 411

For airborne applications

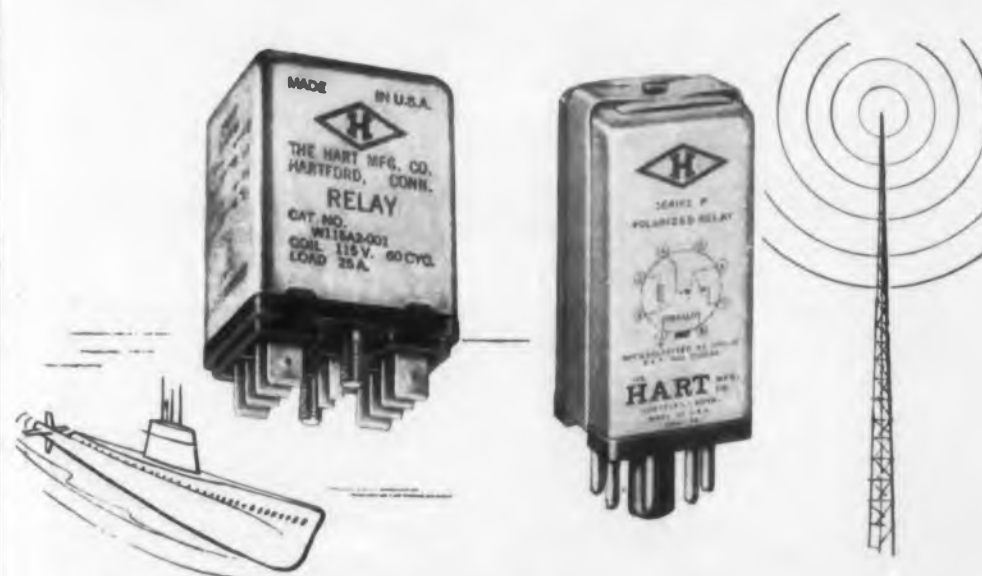


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631

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Raytheon Co., Semiconductor Div., Dept. ED, 215 First Ave., Needham Heights, Mass.

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General Electric Co., Lamp Metals and Components Dept., Dept. ED, Cleveland 12, Ohio.

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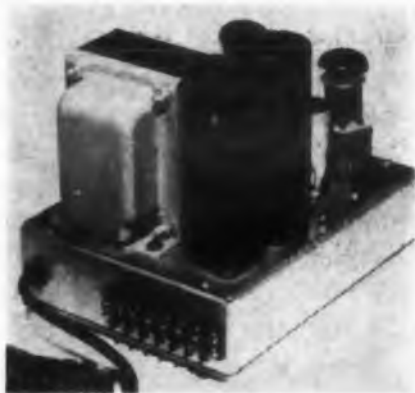
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Vemaline Products Co., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 222, Hawthorne, N.J.

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Trans Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 7349 Canoga Ave., Canoga Park, Calif.

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AD-YU Electronics Laboratory, Inc., Dept. ED, 249-259 Terhune Ave., Passaic, N.J.

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

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CBS Electronics, Dept. ED, 100 Endicott St., Danvers, Mass.

Price & Availability: Units are available from stock at a price of \$1.20 ea in quantities of 50 or more.

Miniature Delay Lines 595

Delay to rise time ratio is 4:1

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Valor Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 13214 Crenshaw Blvd., Gardena, Calif.

Price & Availability: Available from stock, units are priced at \$97.50 ea.

Germanium PNP Transistors 638

Designed for specific uses

These germanium pnp transistors are specifically designed for application in industrial and military hf communications, instrumentation, control, navigation, and mobile equipment. Types are designated: 2N274, 2N384, 2N1023, 2N1066, 2N1224, 2N1225, 2N1226, 2N1395, 2N1396, and 2N1397. Characteristics include: maximum junction temperature rating, 100 C; maximum transistor-dissipation rating in free air at 25 C, 120 mw, transistor-dissipation rating with heat sink, 240 mw, and maximum collector-to-base rating, -40 v, except for the 2N1226 which is rated at -60 v. The units operate to 50 mc and above in rf amplifier service, and 125 mc and above in oscillator service.

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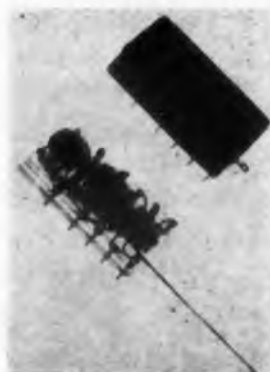
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C & K Components, Inc., Dept. ED, 101-103 Morse St., Newton 58, Mass.
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Molding Press 669

For production of miniature components

Model 725 automatic transfer, plastics molding press is suited for the production of miniature and subminiature components, punches and dies for precision parts, TV-tube aluminizing equipment, impregnation systems for capacitors and filters, silicon rectifiers, and other devices.

F. J. Stokes Corp., Dept. ED, 5500 Tabor Road, Philadelphia 20, Pa.
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Speed Sensor 517

For use with rotating equipment

Model 9353B transistorized, overspeed sensor protects rotating equipment against destructive acceleration and damaging rotational speeds. When the input speed signal reaches 12.8 kc $\pm 1\%$, an internal relay is tripped and 28 v dc is applied

through the relay contacts. The trip point frequency is specified by the customer. In addition to overspeed prevention, the output of the unit may be used for other control functions such as limit cycle control, off-on control, and sequencing. The device is suitable for use in aircraft and ground support equipment.

Varo Manufacturing Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 2201 Walnut St., Garland, Tex.
Booth 1731.

TV Camera 655

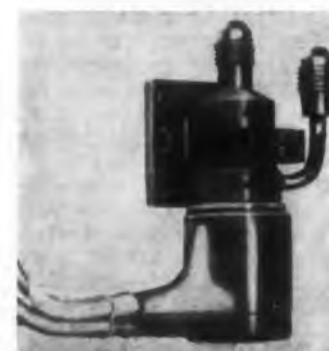
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Model TTVC camera provides a 600-line resolution. It has crystal-controlled rf-modulated channels, a maximum output of 50 mv, and a video output of 1.4 v, peak-to-peak. Weight is 14.5 lb.

Blonder-Tongue Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, 9 Alling St., Newark 2, N.J.
Booth 3225.

Oscillator Klystron 620

Is liquid-cooled



Type VA-64G two-resonator oscillator klystron, having a frequency of 13.3 kmc, is liquid-cooled. It delivers a minimum of 15 w cw into a matched load. Suitable for fixed-frequency, doppler-radar navigation applications, the tube measures 3.275 x 1.4 x 2 in. and weighs about 5 oz.

Varian Assoc., Dept. ED, 611 Hansen Way, Palo Alto, Calif.
Availability: Delivery time is 90 to 120 days.
Booth 2710-2720.

Silicon Transistor 652

High speed, general purpose

Type 2N717 npn silicon transistor is a high-speed, general-purpose unit having saturated switching times of less than 1 μ sec at 0.5 amp. The typical gain-bandwidth product is 100 mc. In low-level amplifier use, the unit provides a 15-db neutralized gain at 30 mc. Current gain is essentially flat over a two-decade range of current. The JEDEC TO-18 package permits 1.5-w dissipation at room temperature. Environmental requirements of MIL-S-19500B are met.

Fairchild Semiconductor Corp., Dept. ED, 545 Whisman Road, Mountain View, Calif.

Availability: Units are available from distributors.

Booth 2701-2707.

Strain Gage Power Supplies 650

Temperature coefficient is 0.005% per deg F

Model 10-150 strain-gage, floating power supplies have a temperature coefficient of better than 0.005% per deg F. The units are designed to furnish bridge excitation to resistive strain gages and transducers in multichannel data-acquisition systems. The shielded-line transformer and high impedance-to-ground permits the transmission of signals through single-ended amplifiers with little or no cross-talk through 20,000 cps. The units can be rack-mounted in a panel measuring 10 x 3.5 in.

B & F Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 3644 N. Lawrence St., Philadelphia 40, Pa.

Booth 3123.

Rate Table 531

Uses a synchronous motor

Model 82A rate table consists of a turn-platform driven by a synchronous motor. The table can be remotely operated by applying or

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Micro Gee Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 6319 W. Slauson Ave., Culver City, Calif.

Price & Availability: Price is \$2100. The unit can be delivered in 30 days.

Booth 3846.

Traveling Wave Tube Amplifier 630

Frequency range is 4 to 8 kmc

Model 5-542 traveling wave tube amplifier is for operation with the Raytheon traveling wave-tube QK-542. Frequency range is 4 to 8 kmc, output is 1 w min into a 50-ohm load, and response is 10 cps to 10 mc. Small-signal gain is 30 db min and gain at maximum power output is 25 db. Spurious modulation in at least 35 db below the output signal level. Input voltage is 105 to 125 v, 60 cps, at about 960 va. Dimensions are 10.5 x 19 x 16 in.

Alfred Electronics, Dept. ED, 897 Commercial St., Palo Alto, Calif.
Price & Availability: Price is \$3190 and delivery is from stock.

Booth 1633.

Silver-Zinc Battery 516

Delivers 80 w-hr per lb

Model 61700 silver-zinc battery, designed for missile applications, is capable of delivering 80-w-hr per lb. The unit is made up of 19 cells of 200 amp-hr nominal capacity and is housed in a pressurized stainless-steel case. It weighs 140 lb and measures 11-3/16 x 14-7/8 x 11-1/2 in. In typical application, it offers five cycles supplying 65 amp at a 6-1/2-hr discharge rate with three pulses of 90 amp for 1 min each. Operating temperature range is 20 to 80 F.

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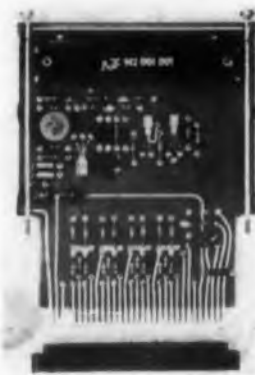
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Computer Control Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 983 Concord St., Framingham, Mass.
Booth 3308-3310.

Vibration Equipment 518

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MB Electronics, Dept. ED, 781 Whalley Ave., New Haven 8, Conn.
Booth 3107-3108.

Power Supplies 642

Outputs are 30 to 330 v dc

These high-voltage, transistor-regulated, power supplies are available in four models. Model PS4221 has an output of 30 to 210 v and a current range of 0 to 0.8 amp. Model PS4231 provides 120 to 330 v at 0 to 0.8 amp. Model PS4232 provides

120 to 330 v at 0 to 1.5 amp and Model PS4222 provides 30 to 210 v at 0 to 0.5 amp. All models have an output regulation of within 0.1% against 10% change in line and load from zero to full load. Ripple and noise level for models PS4231 and PS4232 is 3 mv rms and for models PS4221 and 4222, 2 mv rms. The output impedance is less than 0.4 ohms from dc to 100 kc for the 0.8-amp units and 0.2 ohms for the 1.5-amp models. Short circuit protection is provided.

Power Sources, Inc., Dept. ED, Burlington, Mass.

Booth 1914.

Compacting Press 649

Processes 34 to 50 pieces per min

Model F-4 compacting press, for use in the production of hermetic seals, tantalum capacitor anodes, barium titanate shapes, ferrite cores, and other electronic components, processes 34 to 50 pieces per min. It can make parts with diameters up to 1-1/4 in. and depths to 1-1/4 in. The press is a 4-ton single-punch unit.

F. J. Stokes Corp., Dept. ED, 5500 Tabor Road, Philadelphia 20, Pa.
Booth 4126.

Shaft-Driven Ratio Transformers 371

Range is 30 to 1000 cps

These heavy-duty shaft-driven ratio transformers are recommended for use in the frequency range of 30 to 1000 cps. Input voltage can be as high as 1000 v above 400 cps; a frequency of 2.5 cps is possible. Models RT-14 and RT-14A have a resolution in 0.001% steps; models RT-15 and RT-15R have continuous resolution. Terminal linearity is 0.001% for all models.

Gertsch Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 3211 S. La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles 16, Calif.

Price & Availability: The product will be available by October, 1960. Price has not yet been determined.
Booth 3701-3703.

Digital Deviation Ohmmeter 519

Balance time is 1 sec

Model DVM-300 digital deviation ohmmeter measures the resistance around a selected nominal value and presents the information in digital form as a percentage. The instrument uses three digits and has an average balance time of 1 sec. It reads $\pm 5\%$ of the total resistance to an absolute accuracy of 0.01%. It is suited for automatic measurement of temperature coefficients. Contact closures are available for Go/No-Go testing and tolerance sorting operations.

Electro Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 3540 Aero Court, San Diego 11, Calif.
Booth 3811.

Ball Bearing Chassis Slides 648

Precision made

Series 140 and 150 ball-bearing, chassis slides are precision made and designed for use in the ground instrumentation of missile programs. The slide mechanisms are made of extruded 7075 T6, a hard aluminum alloy. Other parts are made of stainless steel. Slide widths are 5/16 to 1/2 in. Load ratings are up to 200 lb per pair. Positive locking of the slide assembly in fully extended position is provided. Shock-block mounting is available for use in environments of heavy shock and vibration. All slides incorporate a pushbutton levering device.

Jonathan Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 720 E. Walnut St., Fullerton, Calif.
Booth 4514.

Transistors 646

Come in three types

These transistors are offered in three different types. Type XN102 medium-power, mesa transistor is rated at 0.5 w, 160 mc. Type XN102 germanium, diffused-junction pnp device is for hf amplifier applica-

tions where medium-power outputs are needed. Type 2N705 germanium pnp, diffused-junction device is for very high-speed switching applications and will attain speeds of less than 10 μ sec. This unit can be used in a wide variety of computer pulse and switching circuits, both saturating and non-saturating.

Motorola Inc., Semiconductor Products Div., Dept. ED, 5005 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix, Ariz.

Booth 1114-1115.

Resistance Wire 366

For use to 300 C

Able to stand 300 C for short periods of time, this electrical resistance wire can be used continuously at 250 C. The insulation material is Ceron ST; an overlay of Teflon is also used. Sizes as fine as 0.001 in. in diameter are available.

Kanthal Corp., Dept. ED, Amelia Place, Stamford, Conn.
Booth 4002.

Amplifier Klystron 619

Power gains are 25 to 35 db



Type VA-832 amplifier klystron has a three-cavity construction that provides power gains of 25 to 35 db. It operates in the range of 9.7 to 9.9 kmc, cw or pulse, delivering a minimum of 6 w cw or up to 1 kw of peak-pulsed output power. Focusing is electrostatic. The tube weighs 1 lb and measures 2-1/2 x 3-1/2 x 1-5/8 in. It can be used in high altitudes without pressurization.

Varian Assoc., Dept. ED, 611 Hansen Way, Palo Alto, Calif.

Availability: The tube is in limited production.

Booth 2710-2720.

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OPERATION SIMPLIFICATION. A high priority request from the Pentagon points to the big need for simplification in missile control and guidance systems. Fewer components and mechanical parts are what the Defense men are looking for in the hope of cutting down the numerous failures and malfunctions in missile performance. Along the same line, an Army Colonel has called for "deprovement" as a technique for design in military equipment. What he's looking for is stuff that's "smaller and worse" rather than "bigger and better." It's a wide open invitation and everyone is welcome to suggest possible solutions!

ELECTRIC CAR REVIVAL. Fuel cells that generate electricity when hydrogen and oxygen gases are fed into special carbon electrodes may spark a revival of the electric car. Resembling in some respects a big battery, the fuel cell might offer these advantages: silent operation; no smog-producing exhaust; economy because of the high (65% to 80%) efficiency. Some 20 companies are reported working on fuel cells for everything from satellites to outboard motors.

BIG VOICE FOR THE NAVY. By the end of this year the Navy hopes to have the world's most powerful radio station in operation at Cutler, Maine. The antenna system will have two arrays, each having a center tower 980 ft. high; an inner ring of six towers 875 ft. tall; and an outer ring of six towers 800 ft. high. Some 2200 miles of copper will be used in the ground system under the antenna arrays. With transmission output up to two megawatts, radio contact will be possible even with subs lying deep in the Arctic Ocean.

GUIDE TO TESTING. A detailed breakdown of what the Department of Defense demands in the way of environmental testing for electronic component parts is still available. Components fall into one of eight distinct groups and evaluation is done in terms of 12 test areas. Write to the Office of Technical Services, Dept. of Commerce, Washington 25, D.C. and ask for "Environmental Requirements Guide for Electronic Component Parts."

DUGOUT DATA. So far it's been man against man when rival baseball team managers try to outsmart each other. But soon baseball strategy will be decided by a computer. At least that is what's going on at the University of California, where a big computer is being "given its innings." The machine weighs the desirability of thirteen possible plays against the composite batting averages of the typical big league team.

CABLEMAN'S CORNER. The subject of cable testing is an important one. This is the phase of production that determines whether or not the cable you are purchasing is in accordance with your standards and requirements. In the field of electronics and automation, cables are required to suit various stringent electrical, mechanical, and/or chemical environments. Many years of study and testing have gone into the design of test equipment to be used for these critical tests. It is not enough to know that a cable has been tested in a manner that is "essentially" the same as the required standard. Slight variations in equipment design or methods of tests can mean the difference between conformance and non-conformance. Make sure the test data you receive gives a true picture of the performance of your cable. When you need cable, call on a cable specialist. Phone Rome 3000, or write to Rome Cable Division of Alcoa, Dept. 1130, Rome, N. Y.

These news items represent a digest of information found in many of the publications and periodicals of the electronics industry or related industries. They appear in brief here for easy and concentrated reading. Further information on each can be found in the original source material. Sources will be forwarded on request.

CIRCLE 253 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

Airborne Time Code Generator illustrates high-density packing obtainable with T-Series circuits.



Hinged arrangement of mounting panel facilitates accessibility.



The finished package weighs only 20 lbs., measures 5" x 8" x 20 3/8". Unit generates 14-digit Point Mugu code, modulating a 1 kc carrier plus a dc time code. Three sine wave and four pulse outputs are also provided, all with only 96 T-Series circuits and 77 watts of input power.



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| POWER | 77 watts | 650 watts (plus power for fan) |

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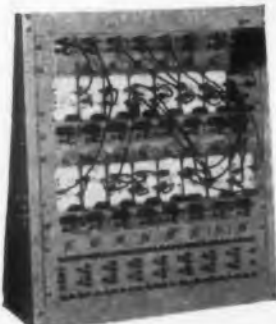
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Ceramaseal, Inc., Dept. ED, New Lebanon Center, N.Y.

Price & Availability: Units are made on order and have a delivery time of 8 to 10 weeks. Price varies from \$1 to \$7 ea.

Booth 1724.

Input Conditioning 651 Module

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B & F Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 3644 N. Lawrence St., Philadelphia 40, Pa.

Booth 3123.

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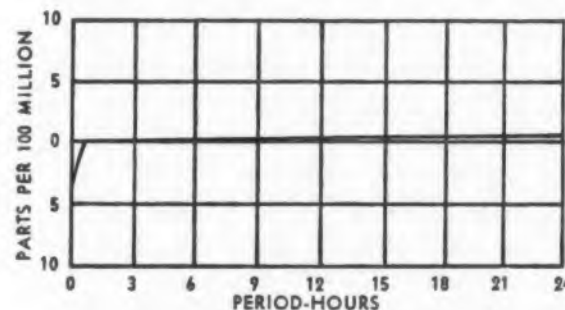
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Victory Engineering Corp., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 373, Union, N.J.
Price & Availability: Units will be available in May 1960. Price is quoted on request.
 Booth 1423.

HF Microwave Diodes 534

Have low-loss figure

These low-noise, hf microwave diodes may be used as up-converters, amplifiers, limiters, harmonic generators and switches. They are particularly suitable for use as low-noise parametric amplifiers.

Sylvania Electric Products Inc., Dept. ED, 730 Third Ave., New York 17, N.Y.
 Booth 2322-2332, 2415-2425.

Silicon Transistor 654

Collector-to-base rating is 120 v

Type 2N698 diffused silicon transistor has a collector-to-base rating

of 120 v which allows wider voltage swings in amplifier and oscillator circuits as well as more protection in inductive switching circuits.

Fairchild Semiconductor Corp., Dept. ED, 515 Whisman Road, Mountain View, Calif.
Availability: The unit is available through distributors.
 Booth 2701-2707.

Frequency-Time Standard 628

Consists of four instruments

This system, providing an easily operated primary frequency and time standard, consists of four instruments. Model 113AR frequency divider and clock makes time comparisons between model 103AR oscillator and standard transmitted time signals.

Hewlett-Packard Co., Dept. ED, 275 Page Mill Road, Palo Alto, Calif.
 Booth 3302-3304-3306, 3401-3403-3405.

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Metal Craft Co., Weldex Div., Dept. ED, 3300 Doris, Detroit, Mich.

Availability: Can be delivered in 14 days.

Adapter Panel

625

This adapter panel is designed for mounting the firm's 2-channel Mark II recorder in a standard 19 in. rack. The instrument may be removed from the adapter panel at any time and returned to its standard portable case.

Clevite Corp., Brush Instruments Div., Dept. ED, 37th and Perkins, Cleveland 14, Ohio.

Price: Price of the panel is \$100, fob Cleveland.

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Associated Research, Inc., Dept. ED, 3777 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago 18, Ill.

Price & Availability: Some models available from stock; other models delivered in 21 days. When ordered in quantities of 1 to 10, price is between \$9 and \$17.

Connector Test Adapter

626

This hand-tool is used for making voltage, signal, continuity and performance tests on black boxes, components, harnesses, systems, aircraft, and missiles using AN-MS miniature, subminiature, and similar type connectors. The tool has heavy silver or gold contact plating, a bendable shaft, and four-way lead connection.

Air-O-Tronics Engineering Co., Dept. ED, Box 31, Lancaster, Calif.

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Cambridge Thermionic Corp., Dept. ED, 445 Concord Ave., Cambridge 38, Mass.



Ceramic Insulators 425

Used where high frequencies or sealing to metals or glasses is involved, AlSiMag 243 ceramic insulation material is said to have low loss. Uses of the material are mainly in vacuum tube applications.

American Lava Corp., Dept. ED, Manufacturers Road, Chattanooga 5, Tenn.

Price & Availability: Custom made only.



Silicon Diodes 437

Among these silicon glass diodes are included general purpose JAN types 1N457, 1N458, and 1N459. Also included are fast switching Signal Corps types 1N662, 1N663, 1N643 MID, and 1N658.

Silicon Transistor Corp., Dept. ED, Carle Place, Long Island, N.Y.

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Sperry Rand Corp., Remington Rand Div., Dept. ED, 315 Park Ave. South, New York 10, N.Y.

Price & Availability: Made to order only and delivered 30 days after order received. Price is \$9.75 per unit.

Sequence Timer 492

This sequence timer is electronically timed, has instant reset, and is push-button started. Each of twelve time positions is separately adjustable to 30 minutes or more. Model B 705-12 can be supplied for rack mounting on the standard 3-1/2 x 19 in. panel.

Research Industrial, Dept. ED, Roslyn, Pa.

Price & Availability: Can be delivered 15 days after order received. Price is \$89.60 per unit.

Correction Notice

The magnetic splicing tape described on page 89 of the January 20th issue is not made by Post Designs, Inc., as stated. The manufacturer is Robins Industries Corp., 37-27 Prince St., Flushing 54, N.Y.

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| B | .001—20MF | 600—20KV | -55°C +70°C | .02% 1KC | +800 PPM | 10 ⁶ MEG | 1.0% | 3.00% |
| C | .001—20MF | 100—30KV | -55°C +200°C | .02% 1KC | -50 PPM/C | 10 ⁶ MEG | 0.1— | 0.01% |
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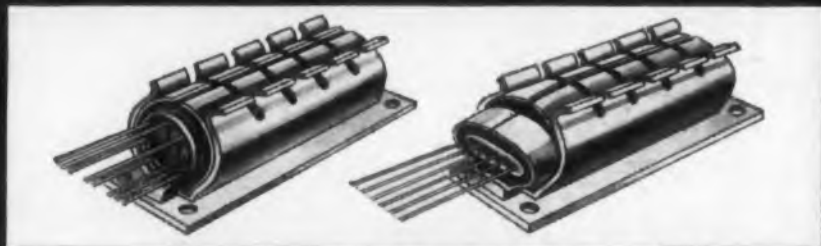
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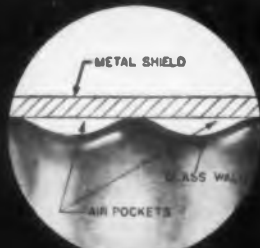
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Western Devices, Inc., Dept. ED, 600 W. Florence Ave., Inglewood 1, Calif.

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Selectro Corp., Dept. ED, 610 Fayette Ave., Mamaroneck, N.Y.

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Scott Instrument Labs, Inc., Dept. ED, 17 E. 48th St., New York 17, N.Y.

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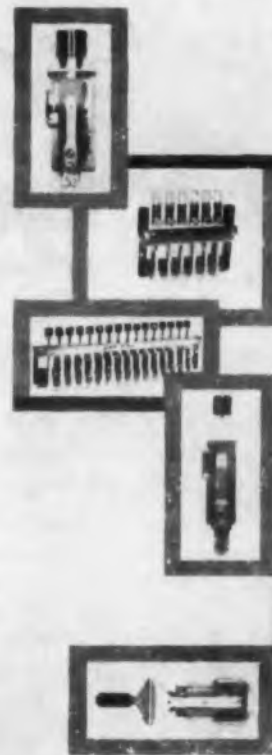
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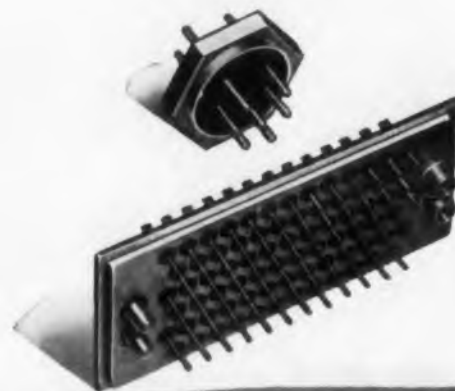
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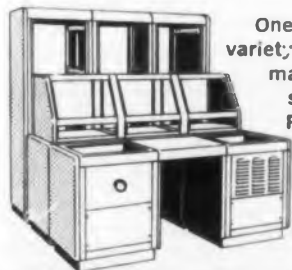
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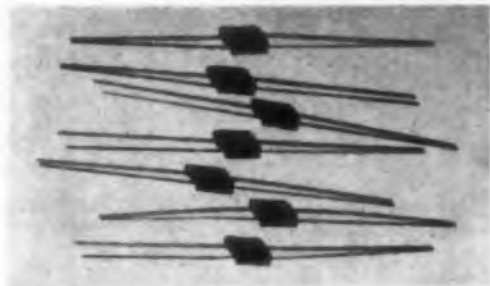
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Fairchild Semiconductor Corp., Dept. ED, 545 Whisman Road, Mountain View, Calif.

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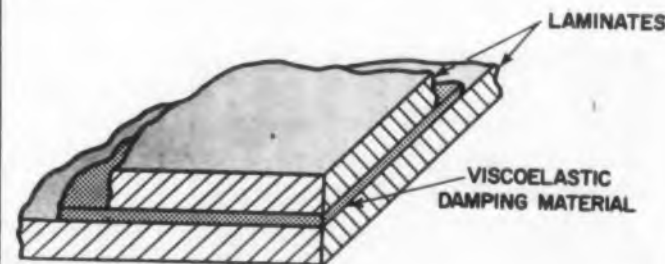


Fig. 1. Viscoelastic damped laminated sheet. Laminates are of conventional materials, either metal or plastic.



Fig. 2. Rigidamp structural members. Viscoelastic medium between cell and insert absorbs dynamic energy when beams flex under impressed vibration.

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Fig. 3. Strip dampers on beams on left offer means of "fixing" the resonant response of conventionally designed structures.

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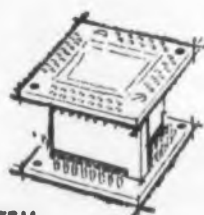
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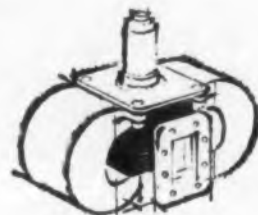
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Printed Circuits

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Members of trade associations, professional societies, and other interested organizations can now obtain speakers to discuss the design, applications, and utilization of printed circuits. W. J. McGinley, President of the Institute of Printed Circuits, has announced that such speakers are available from a new speakers bureau developed by the IPC. Members of the IPC are available as speakers in most major cities.

Institute of Printed Circuits, Dept. ED, 27 E. Monroe, Chicago 3, Ill.

Wire and Cable Design

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Times Wire & Cable Co., Inc., announces an expansion of wire and cable engineering services that embraces all mechanical and electrical phases of the design and manufacture of electronic conductors. The company is now equipped and manned to handle design problems from dc to X-band, and through voltage and current handling encompassing virtually all requirements of the electronics industry.

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Computing Service

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Establishment of the Douglas Computing Service to sell excess computing machine time outside the company has been announced by the Douglas Aircraft Co. The available computing equipment includes: IBM 709, 704, 701, and 650 computers as well as IBM 722 tape-to-card, IBM 720 card-to-printer, IBM 717 card-to-printer, IBM 714 card-to-tape, the Univac file computer, and the Univac tape printer. A scale of hourly rates has been established for each type of machine.

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Computing Coefficient of Coupling

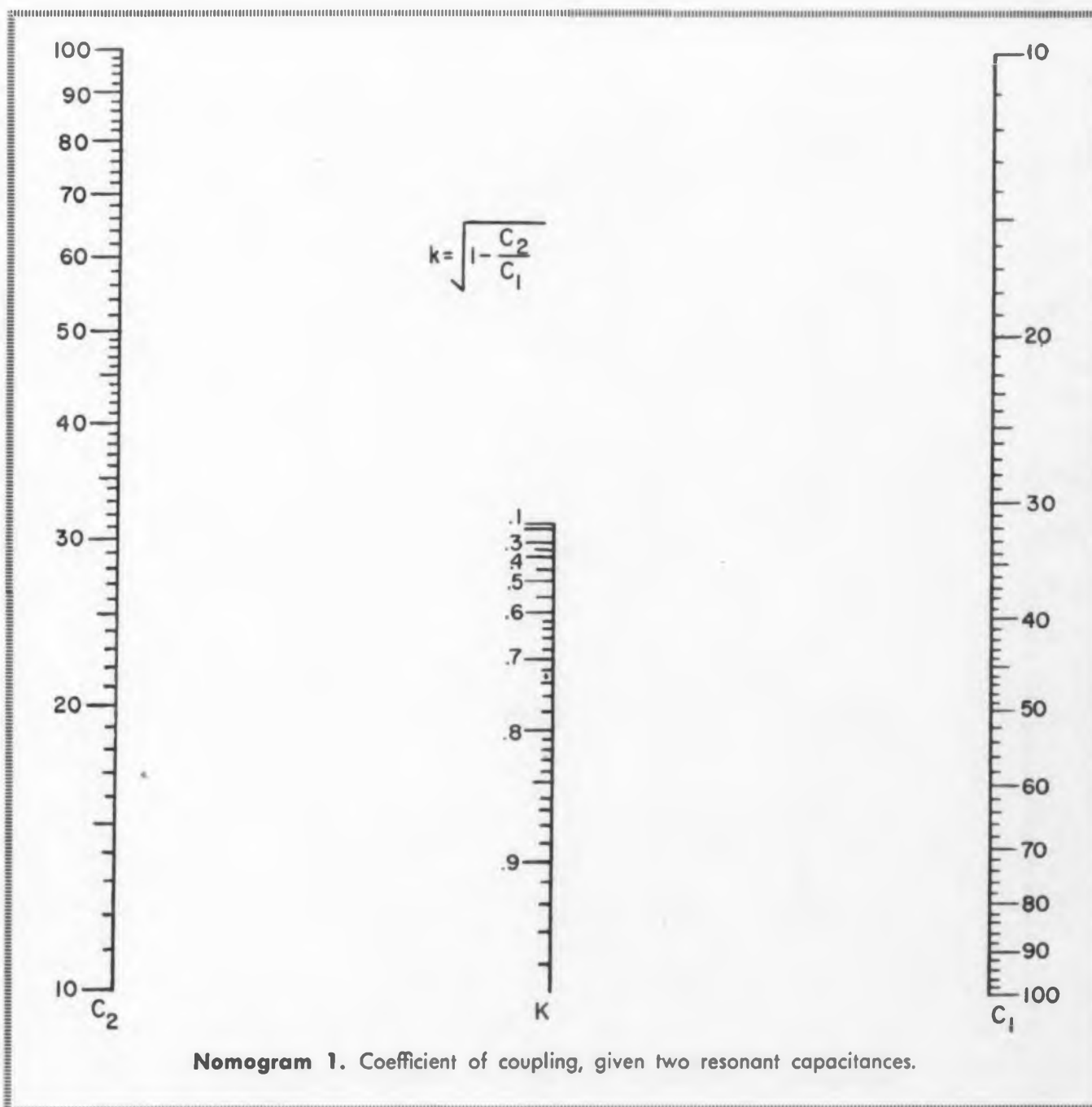
Donald Moffat

Motorola, Inc.

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Coefficient of coupling of an rf transformer can be calculated from Q-meter measurements. As a convenience for the designer, the method is reviewed here by Mr. Moffat, and nomograms are provided for solving the equations. To use the Mutual Inductance method, an additional nomogram is given.

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ENGINEERING DATA

Computing Coefficient of Coupling (cont.)

THERE ARE two ways to calculate the coefficient of coupling of an rf transformer from Q-meter measurements, and both start the same way. Leave one winding (call it the secondary) open and find a frequency f_1 to resonate the primary with external capacity C_1 . Then short the secondary.

First Method

To use the first method, leave the frequency unchanged and find a new capacity C_2 to resonate the primary. Coefficient of coupling is given by

$$k = \sqrt{1 - C_1/C_2}$$

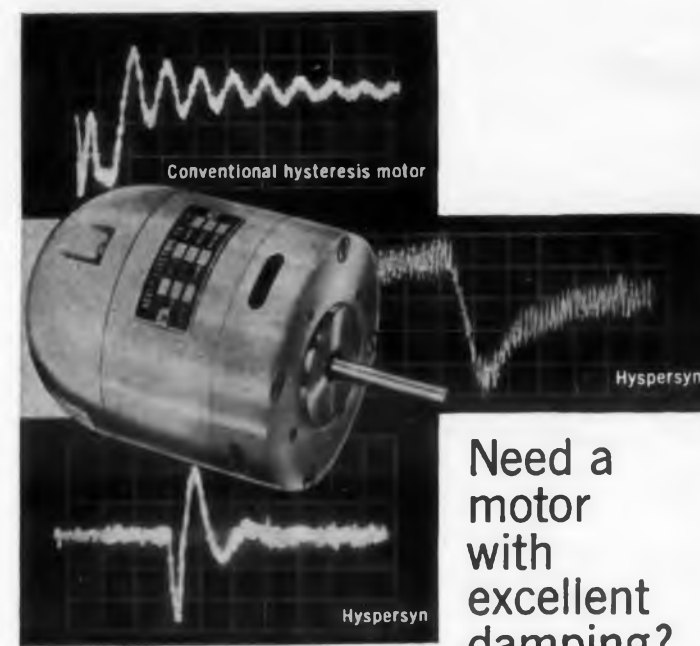
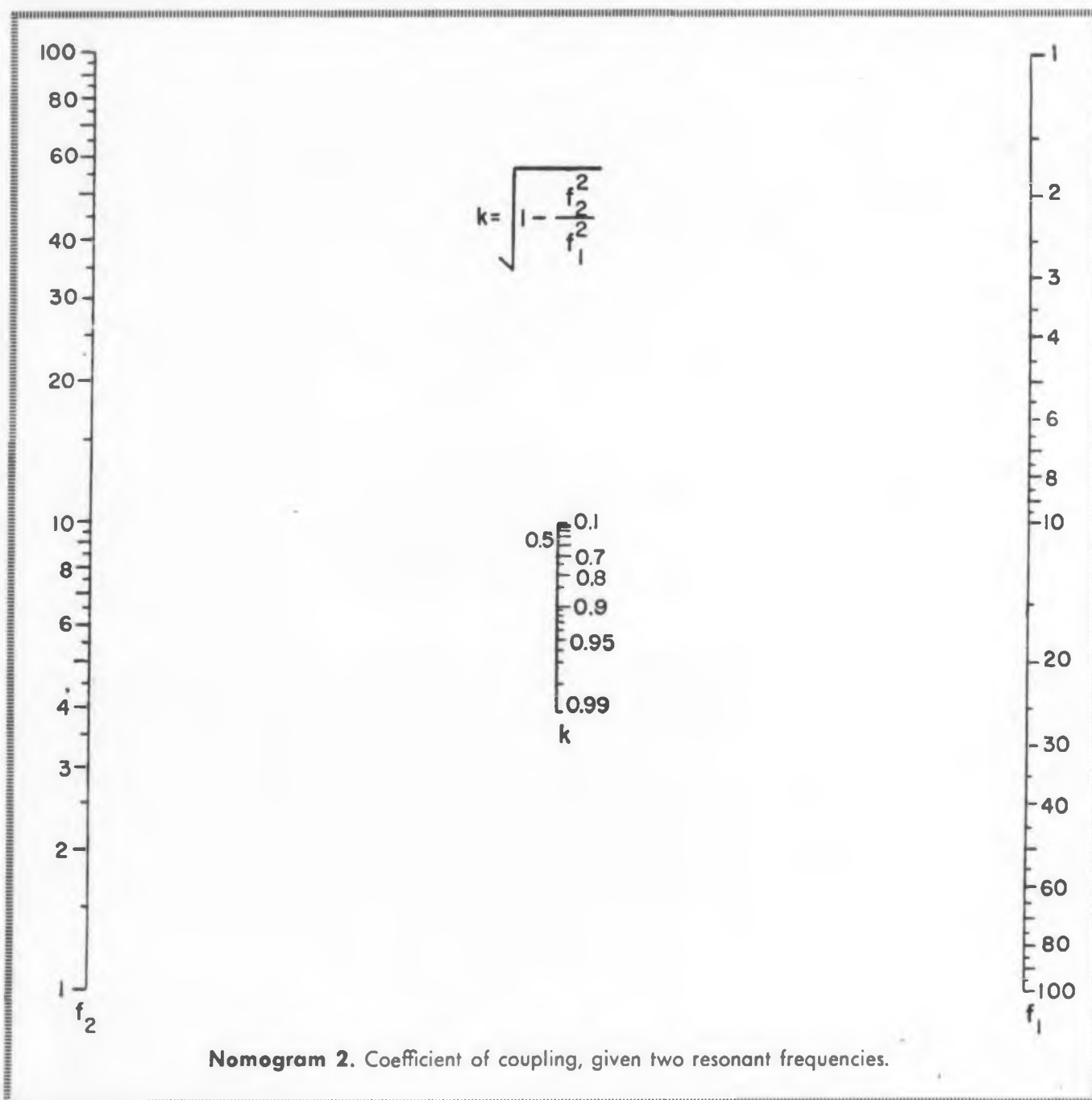
To solve this equation on Nomogram 1, simply join C_1 and C_2 with a straight line and read k where the line crosses the center scale. The range of values of the capacitors can be extended by multiplying both C scales by the same number.

Second Method

In the second method the capacity, C_1 , is left unchanged and the primary is re-resonated with a new frequency, f_2 . Coefficient of coupling is given by

$$k = \sqrt{1 - f_1^2/f_2^2}$$

On Nomogram 2, a straight line be-



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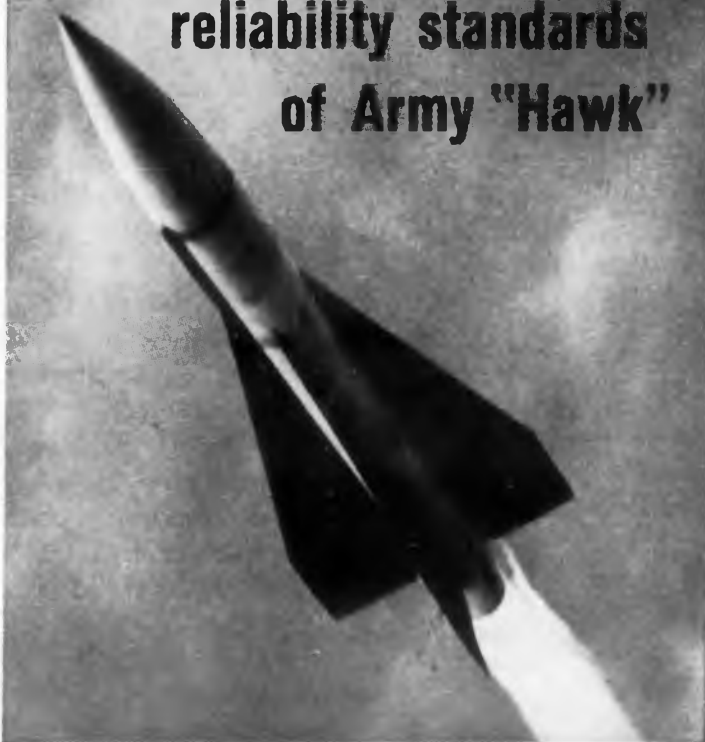


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Computing Coefficient of Coupling (cont.)

tween f_1 and f_2 crosses the center scale at the correct value of k .

Although measurements for both methods are usually done on a Q-meter, it is sometimes more convenient to use a grid dip meter for the second method. Because there will be dips for both windings, the grid dip meter should be used with care, so as to identify each dip with its corresponding winding.

An example:

With the secondary open, a transformer is resonated with 45 μf . The secondary is then short-circuited and, at the same frequency, the primary resonates with 60 μf . On Nomogram 1 draw a straight line from $C_1 = 45 \mu\text{f}$ to $C_2 =$

60 μf and read $k = 0.5$ where the line crosses the center scale.

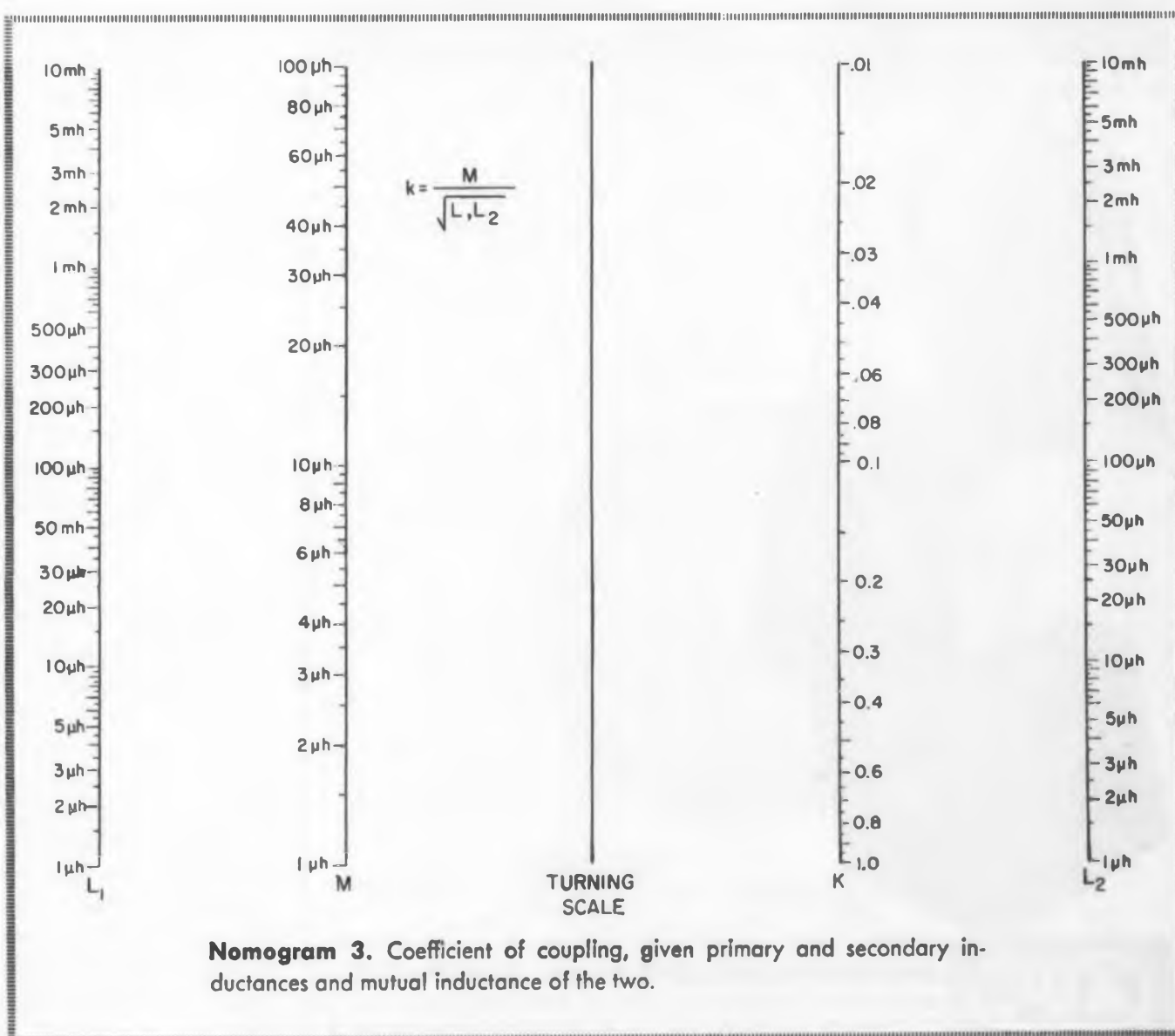
Because of approximations in the equations, reliability of the results is questionable for coefficients of coupling less than 0.2.

Mutual Induction Method

An entirely different method uses the inductances of both windings and the mutual inductance.

$$k = M / \sqrt{L_1 L_2}$$

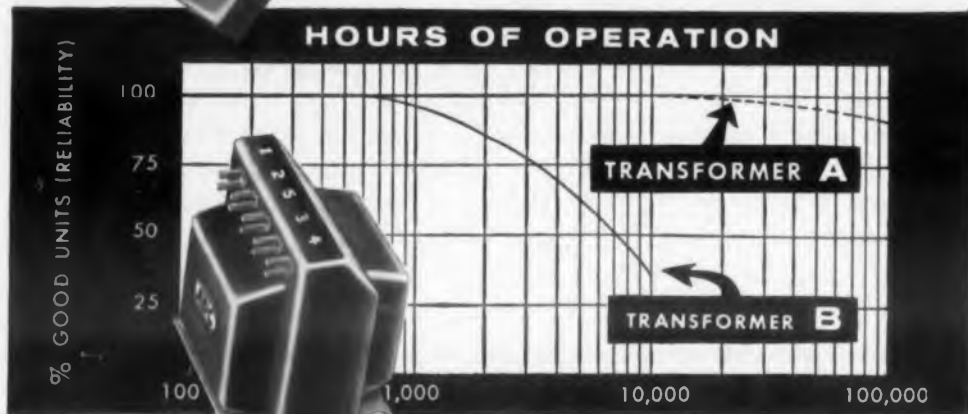
On Nomogram 3 draw a straight line from L_1 to L_2 . From the point where this line crosses the turning scale, draw a line to M and extend the line back to the k scale. ■ ■



Nomogram 3. Coefficient of coupling, given primary and secondary inductances and mutual inductance of the two.

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NEW LITERATURE

Recording Heads 291

Specifications and mounting arrangements of approximately 60 different designs of standard recording heads appear in this four-page bulletin. Digital heads, analog heads, and special heads are dealt with. Applied Magnetics Corp., Box 368, Building 304, Santa Barbara Airport, Goleta, Calif.

Power Supplies 292

Airborne transistorized power supplies, models TPC-18A and 19A, are described and illustrated in this two-page data sheet. The units are designed for replacement of D-10A dynamotors as the power supply for aircraft communications and navigation receivers. Applications, schematic drawings, and specifications are included. Southwestern Industrial Electronics Co., A Div. of Dresser Industries, Inc., 10201 Westheimer Road, Box 22187, Houston 27, Tex.

Etching Printed Circuits 293

Booklet No. Q-24, entitled "Industrial Uses of Kodak Photo Resist," contains complete instructions for the use of the firm's etching materials in printed circuit applications. The products are used where extreme definition with copper plates or copper laminates is required. Graphic Reproduction Sales Div., Eastman Kodak Co., Rochester 4, N.Y.

Radar and Communications 294

An airborne manual and panoramic receiver, missile electronic program generator, air to ground transceiver, and a mobile communications center are some of the systems illustrated in this 19-page brochure. Radar systems featuring size and weight reduction, transistorized X-band radar and transponder beacons are included. Military communications projects are illustrated by photographs and line drawings. Designers for Industry, Inc., 4241 Fulton Parkway, Cleveland 9, Ohio.

Transistors 295

Electrical and mechanical data, and performance design characteristics for a series of pnp silicon alloy transistor are covered in three bulletins, two pages each. The transistors, types 2N1440, 2N1441, and 2N1442, meet the requirements of JEDEC 30 and MIL-T-19500 A. Design characteristics include 200 C junction temperature, device dissipation of 400 mw at 25 C and 170 mw at 125 C. The components are designed for low level amplification, small signal and medium power applications. National Semiconductor Corp., Danbury, Conn.

Servo Analyzers 296

Block diagrams, performance details, and a list of applications for the 200 series of servo analyzers are included in this four-page brochure. Details are given relative to direct readout and automatic plotting capabilities which provide frequency in cps, phase angle in degrees, and amplitude ratio in db. Metrolog Corp., 169 N. Halstead St., Pasadena, Calif.

Metals and Alloys 297

Lists of metals and alloys for the semiconductor field, and high-purity metals for special solder applications appear in this six-page catalog. Phase diagrams and charts of the elements are also included. The materials come in microform spheres, dots, washers, ribbon, or wire made to individual requirements. Anchor Alloys, Inc., 968 Meeker Ave., Brooklyn 22, N.Y.

Pulse Generator 298

Complete specifications, in addition to a photograph, of model 4120B pulse generator appear in this one-page data sheet. The unit is a source of medium power, has modular circuitry, and has a repetition rate that may be internally or externally controlled, or operated single shot. Electro-Pulse, Inc., 11861 Teale St., Culver City, Calif.

Molded Plastics

A value analysis approach to the design and purchase of plastic parts and components is presented in this eight-page illustrated brochure. Standard stock knobs that are made by the firm are also described. *Write on company letterhead to Chicago Molded Products Corp., Dept. ED, 1020 N. Kolmar Ave., Chicago 51, Ill.*

RF Chokes and Coils 299

Electrical parameters for the complete line of Variable Inductors are given in this two-page data sheet. The coils are available in a range of inductances from 0.1 μ h to 4700 μ h in 29 overlapping ranges. They are designed for printed circuit board mounting. Nytronics, Inc., Essex Electronics Div., 550 Springfield Ave., Berkeley Heights, N.J.

Wire and Cable Charts 300

Four color-coded data charts contain composite information on wires, cables, and power cords. A specification sheet, diameter and wall thickness sheet, weight sheet, and price sheet are included. All are 8-1/2 x 11 in. with universal binder punch. Hatfield Wire & Cable Div. of Continental Copper & Steel Industries, Inc., Hillside 5, N.J.

Speed Recorder 301

Industrial applications, principles of operation, and general specifications of type HF multi-range strip chart speed recorder are given in this four-page booklet, No. GET-2741-3A. A schematic of the instrument and a description of available accessories are included. General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y.

Anodizing Aluminum

This booklet, entitled "Questions and Answers About Anodizing," gives information on the cost of anodizing aluminum, the forming of anodized parts, the amount of heat anodic films can withstand, and the effect of anodizing upon the dimension of a part. *Write on company letterhead to Reynolds Metals Co., Dept. ED, Richmond 18, Va.*

Timing and Computer Systems 302

Three data sheets describe the ZA-26211 airborne time code generator, an all transistorized unit with an accuracy of one part in 10^5 ; the ZA-23833 search and control system; and the ZA-25159 computer format converter for converting radar data into magnetic tape or NRZ format. Electronic Engineering Co. of Calif., Technical Literature Section, 1601 E. Chestnut Ave., Santa Ana, Calif.

Pioneers in Electricity

"Ten Founding Fathers of the Electrical Science," the 48-page illustrated monograph on electricity's pioneers by Dr. Bern Dibner, fellow of the AIEE, is now being offered in a reprinted version. The men whose biographical sketches appear in this book are Dr. William Gilbert, Otto von Guericke, Benjamin Franklin, Alessandro Volta, Andre Marie Ampère, Georg Simon Ohm, Karl Friedrich Gauss, Michael Faraday, Joseph Henry, and James Clerk Maxwell. *Copies are available at \$1.00 each from the Burndy Library, Dept. ED, Norwalk, Conn.*

Laminated Plastics 303

Two copper-clad, flame retardant laminated plastics are described in bulletin No. 3.1.25.1, two pages. Fireban 321-R is a rolled copper foil material; Fireban 321-E has the copper foil electrolytically deposited. Taylor Fibre Co., Norristown, Pa.

HF Driver and Network 304

Bulletin No. SB1018, two pages, describes and illustrates the LE30 driver and LX3 dividing network. The units in conjunction reproduce the entire upper half of the audio spectrum. James B. Lansing Sound, Inc., 3249 Casitas Ave., Los Angeles 39, Calif.

Paper Tape Accessories 305

Models PR-1 auxiliary photoelectric paper tape reader, PR-2 multi-code high-speed tape reader, and PTP-1 auxiliary paper tape punch are described in this two-page data sheet. Bendix Aviation Corp., Computer Div., 5630 Arbor Vitae St., Los Angeles 45, Calif.

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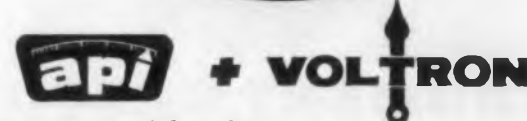
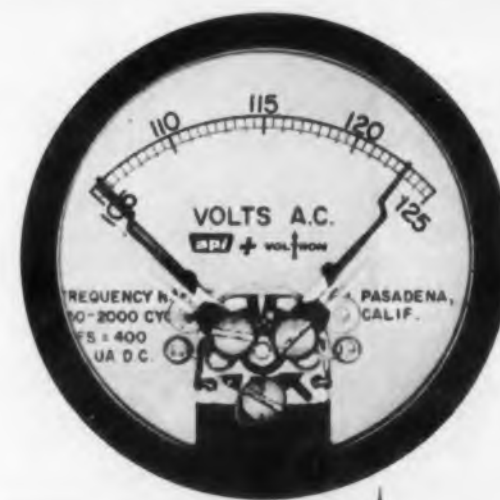
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Semiconductor Directory

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Expanded to 36 pages, this semiconductor directory provides a comprehensive listing of the latest in diodes, tunnel diodes, rectifiers, germanium transistors, and silicon transistors, with selected schematics for industrial circuit applications. All major manufacturers and types are numerically listed complete with specifications, applications, and prices. The directory is suitable for loose-leaf insertion. Lafayette Radio Corp., 165-08 Liberty Ave., Jamaica 33, N.Y.

Miniature Batteries

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This illustrated eight-page bulletin describes the Silvercel battery system in general, and lists specific data for the 20xPA50 automatically activated primary battery, and two types of rechargeable batteries. Data listed in bulletin No. Z-101 includes electrical, physical, environmental, and typical application characteristics, as well as discharge curves. Yardney Electric Corp., 40-50 Leonard St., New York 13, N.Y.

Mercury Thermostats

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Three types of mercury thermostats are described in this 18-page catalog: the well-type for sensing case temperature, the duct-type for gas or fluid temperature sensing, and the surface-type for area contact sensing. Specifications include temperature settings, contact ratings, operating voltage, and dielectric strength. The catalog also contains outline drawings and mounting instructions. Vapor Heating Corp., Vap-Air Div., 6420 W. Howard St., Chicago 48, Ill.

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Potentiometer 313

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Servo Systems 314

This special report, eight pages, illustrates how the Servolab packaged assembly of electronic and electromechanical components permits students to build and test their own servo systems. Formula derivation and practical application are demonstrated. Photographs and diagrams show how a number of servo systems can be demonstrated quickly in a few steps. Servo Corp. of America, 111 New S. Road, Hicksville, Long Island, N.Y.

Audio Bandpass Filters 315

Data sheet No. 701, one page, lists six models of audio bandpass filters designed for alternate band separation use. A table gives typical characteristics of each model at 1.5 db bandwidth and 35 db frequen-

cies as well as shape factor and dimensions. Control Electronics Co., Inc., 10 Stepar Place, Huntington Sta., Long Island, N.Y.

Selenium Rectifiers 316

Bulletin No. 287A, four pages, describes the firm's line of selenium rectifiers. Included are a description of the stack coding system, a computation table for stack dimensions, and cell rating tables for both convection and forced air cooling. Typical performance characteristic curves are also shown. Radio Receptor Co., Inc., Selenium Div., 240 Wythe Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y.

Fused Quartz Products 317

Products made of pure fused quartz and silica are illustrated and described in this 30-page catalog. Introductory pages give electrical and mechanical data, and dielectric properties of Vitreosil. The rest of the catalog is divided into two classifications, Laboratory Ware and Industrial Ware. Thermal American Fused Quartz Co., 18-20B N. Salem St., Dover, N. J.

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Coaxial Cables 321

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Transformers 322

Catalogs S-105 and CT9-59 carry detailed listings of stock transformers for military, communications, radio, TV, and power circuit applications. Included are specifications for many units for transistor applications. Chicago Standard Transformer Corp., 3501 W. Addison St., Chicago 18, Ill.

Fusion Sealed Capacitors

Fusion sealed glass capacitors that meet all requirements of MIL-C-11272A, MIL-STD-202, and MIL-STD-202A, are described in this four-page booklet. Characteristics include voltage rating, temperature coefficient, tolerance, and insulation and moisture resistances. The booklet also contains performance curves and tables. To obtain reference file No. CE-1.01, write on company letterhead to Corning Glass Works, Electronic Components Div., Dept. ED, Bradford, Pa.

Plastics Table of Properties 323

Properties for nine thermoplastic materials are given on this table. Properties shown include: tensile, impact flexural and compressive strength; resistance to sunlight, water, weak and strong acids and alkalis; dielectric short-time strengths and constants; power factors; machining qualities, harness, flexibility and thermal properties. Cadillac Plastic & Chemical Co., 15111 Second Ave., Detroit 3, Mich.

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XY Recorder 325

Bulletin No. 794-1, two pages, gives complete data on model HR-94 XY recorder. The unit offers direct differential transformer or ac transducer input. The data sheet contains a functional block diagram. Houston Instrument Corp., Box 22234, Houston 27, Tex.

Theodolites 326

A series of theodolites used to obtain azimuth accuracy of inertially guided ballistic missiles is described in this eight-page brochure. Specifications for four models include nominal range, azimuth rotation, azimuth monitoring range, and linear sway tolerance. Operational characteristics and accessories are also described. Perkin-Elmer Corp., Electro-Optical Div., Norwalk, Conn.

Relay Magnetic Amplifier 327

Bulletin No. 70 has 10 schematic diagrams and graphs describing the design and application techniques of single-ended magnetic preamplifiers. Some of the topics covered are: ac doubler cir-

cuits, dc double bridge circuits, snap action or bi-stable characteristics, and magnetic amplifier thermistor systems. The six-page bulletin also describes models 701, 706, 711, and 761 relay magnetic amplifiers. Acromag, Inc., 22519 Telegraph Road, Southfield, Mich.

Soldering Iron 328

A low-tension, miniature soldering iron for use on printed circuit boards, transistors and diodes, under a loupe or magnifying glass, and on subminiature assemblies, is described in this data sheet. Accessories for the Ersa-Minotype are also described. Caig Laboratories, 46 Stanwood Road, New Hyde Park, Long Island, N.Y.

Self Locking Nut 329

Bulletins No. 3002 and 3003 list sizes and dimensions for the Tru-Lok self locking aluminum nut. The bulletins contain temperature, strength-to-weight, and reusability data. Waltham Precision Instrument Co., 221 Crescent St., Waltham 54, Mass.



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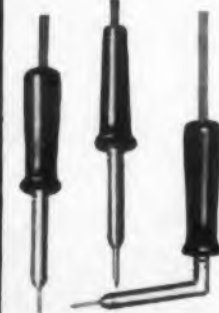
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NEW LITERATURE

Aluminum Foil Capacitors 333

Specifications and performance characteristics of miniature and subminiature aluminum foil capacitors are described in this eight-page bulletin, No. 81558. Operating factors include dc leakage current, dissipation factor, capacitance and tolerance, operating temperature range, dc working voltage rating, and surge voltage. Standard rating and selection charts for aluminum encased and ceramic encased capacitors are given in the bulletin. International Electronic Industries, Inc., Box R 23, Nashville, Tenn.

Insulating Material 334

This two-page data sheet discusses electrical, chemical, and physical properties of Rexolite 2200, a reinforced thermosetting plastic insulating material designed for use at ultra high and microwave frequencies in both wet and dry locations. The sheet includes curves for dissipation factor, dielectric constant, and attenuation. Rex Corp., West Acton, Mass.

Plastic Sheets, Tubes, and Rods 335

Applications, special and detailed characteristics, and available sizes of over 50 grades of laminated plastic sheets, tubes, and rods are given in this 16-page catalog, No. 2B Gen. Included are phenolics, silicones, melamines, and epoxies with filler bases of paper, nylon, cotton, asbestos, and glass fabric. Also shown are properties of copper clad laminates for printed circuits. General Electric Co., Laminated Products Dept., Coshocton, Ohio.

Headsets 336

Moving-coil dynamic headsets are described and illustrated in this two-page data sheet. Wiring changes in the three-circuit jack permit use of the headsets for series, parallel, monaural, binaural, or stereo listening. The bulletin includes data on ear cushions and microphones. Permadyne Div. of Melody Master Manufacturing Co., 2149-51 W. Roscoe St., Chicago 18, Ill.

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Capacitors 338

Series TS tantalum slug capacitors are described in bulletin No. 159. The electrolytic capacitors meet the physical and performance requirements of MIL-C-3905B, and are available in insulated and uninsulated styles. Ohmite Manufacturing Co., 3693 Howard St., Skokie, Ill.

Insulation Blankets 339

This four-page bulletin, No. 6019, contains results of thermal tests conducted by the firm. The thermal conductivity of various metals, insulating materials, and other miscellaneous materials, are listed. Electrofilm Technical Service, 7116 Laurel Canyon Blvd., N. Hollywood, Calif.

Potentiometers 340

Series 7230 ten-turn potentiometers for servo-mounting are covered in this four-page data sheet, No. 60150. They are rated at 2 w and 65 C, derating to 0 at 125 C. Included are complete preliminary specifications, environmental characteris-

tics, coil data, dimensional drawings, and photographs. Beckman Instruments Inc., Helipot Technical Information Service, 2500 Fullerton Road, Fullerton, Calif.

Radiation Monitoring 341

Automatic monitoring of gamma and beta radiation using model DZ14 radiation supervisor is discussed in this booklet. The unit may be used to monitor background in low level counting rooms, in working areas of "hot" laboratories, and in radiography installations. BJ Electronics, Borg-Warner Corp., 3300 Newport Blvd., Santa Ana, Calif.

Power Supplies 342

The PI series of miniaturized all solid state power supplies is covered in this two-page data sheet. In addition to specifications, voltage, current, and dimensions are given for seven models in the series. Load and line regulation data also appears in the bulletin, No. PS2013. Deltron Inc., 2905 N. Leithgow St., Philadelphia 33, Pa.



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NEW LITERATURE

Electroforming 346

"Current Uses for Electroforming—a Manual for Designers, Engineers, and Manufacturers" is an illustrated technical handbook that incorporates the latest technical information on electroforming, the process of building a structural part by electro-deposition. Included in the 32-page manual are chapters on what the electroforming process is, where it is used, "do's and don'ts" for designers, and charts and tables of engineering data. Allied Record Manufacturing Co., Allied Research & Engineering Div., 6916 Santa Monica Blvd., Los Angeles 38, Calif.

Potentiometer 347

Specifications of the model 215 potentiometer appear in this two-page data sheet. The component comes in three terminal configurations: stranded teflon insulated leads, solder lugs, and printed circuit pins. Standard resistances, specifications, and dimensions are given in the bulletin. Bourns, Inc., Trimpot Div., Box 2112, Riverside, Calif.

Variable Resistors 348

Type 2W wirewound variable resistors are described in four-page bulletin No. A-3b. Dimensional drawings, electrical and mechanical specifications, L and T pad controls and performance specifications, and a table of standards for flatted and slotted shafts are included. CTS of Asheville, Inc., Skyland, N.C.

Silicon Zener Diodes 349

Bulletin No. SR-260 presents a listing of silicon Zener diodes in standard RETMA decade listings. Included is the complete tabulation of 5%, 10%, and 20% standard tolerance types currently available. The bulletin, six pages, contains dimension drawings, derating of power dissipation vs ambient temperature graphs, and typical reverse voltage characteristics graph. Zener diode substitution boxes and voltage reference packs are illustrated. International Rectifier Corp., Product Information Dept., 1521 E. Grand Ave., El Segundo, Calif.



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Plastics 711

This 16-page booklet outlines properties, applications, and availabilities of plastic mill shapes and machined parts, tubing and hose, sintered plastic parts, molding resins, and coating materials. The Polymer Corp., 2120 Fairmont Ave., Reading, Pa.

Rectifier Analyzer 712

Model 141A rectifier analyzer, a 20-amp test set with forward current and reverse voltage independently adjustable, is described and illustrated in data sheet No. 106, two pages. Specifications and performance curves are included. Wallson Assoc., Inc., 912-914 Westfield Ave., Elizabeth, N.J.

PDM Telemetry 713

This 12-page, two-color illustrated brochure, No. 935, describes a commutator, transistorized pulse-width modulator, and crystal-stabilized transmitter designed for airborne PDM telemetry systems. The brochure includes detailed electrical, en-

vironmental, and physical characteristics in addition to outline drawings. Tele-Dynamics Inc., 5000 Parkside Ave., Philadelphia 31, Pa.

Coating Machine 714

Model HD-2, an automatic spray coater, is described and illustrated in this two-page data sheet. The machine applies a continuous coating of resinous compositions, such as epoxy compounds, to electrical and electronic components having coaxial leads. Conforming Matrix Corp., 476 Toledo Factories Bldg., Toledo 2, Ohio.

Molded and Laminated Plastics 715

Insurok molded and laminated plastic sheets, rods, tubes, and fabricated parts are covered in this eight-page catalog, No. 20.000.13. Tables list physical, electrical, and mechanical properties, in addition to bonding strength, suggested uses, and general characteristics. Photographs illustrate the materials as used for printed circuitry and electronic components. The Richardson Co., 2731 Lake St., Melrose Park, Ill.



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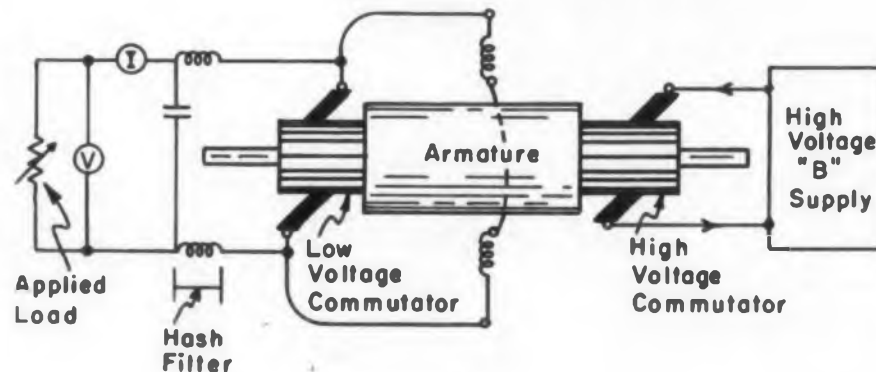
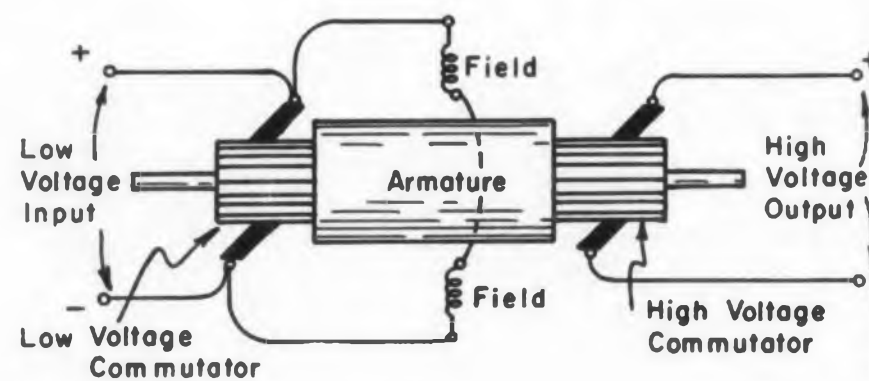


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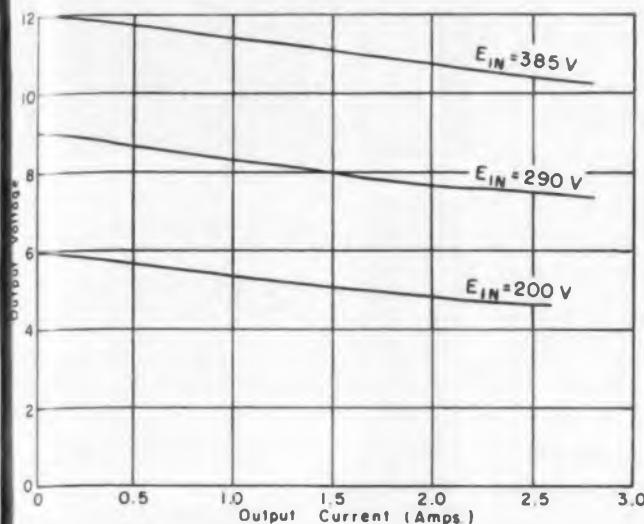


Fig. 3. The regulation curves for a reverse operated dynamotor, connected as in Fig. 2.

windings. It is virtually independent of the field current. However, the field current determines the motor torque and speed. In general, high field current is associated with low armature speed and vice versa. Residual magnetism in the steel poles insures that the motor is self-starting.

Used as shown in Fig. 2, the dynamotors do not have their full rated power handling capacity. This is because additional power must be supplied to account for the inefficiency of the machine. Despite the reduced rating, sufficient output can still be obtained to make the reverse method of operation useful.

Fig. 3 shows the results of such operation. The motor used was manufactured by Eicore. It was rated at 14 v, 6.4 amp input, 330 v, 150 ma output. With the rated high-voltage current of 150 ma, only about 3 amp could be drained from the low-voltage end, illustrating the unit's reduced power handling capability.

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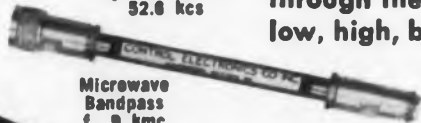


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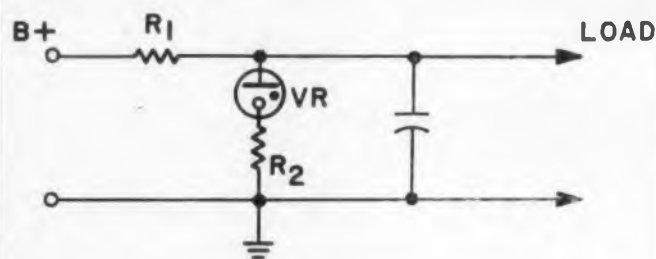
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eliminated by inserting a resistor R_2 in series with the VR tube sufficient to off-set the negative resistance component. In practice, this resistance, which actually may improve the regulation, is usually about 100 ohms. It is preferable, however, to use about twice the minimum resistance required and to raise the VR current by lowering the series dropping resistor.

Lawrence G. Cowles, *Electronic Design Engineer, The Superior Oil Co., Bellaire, Tex.*

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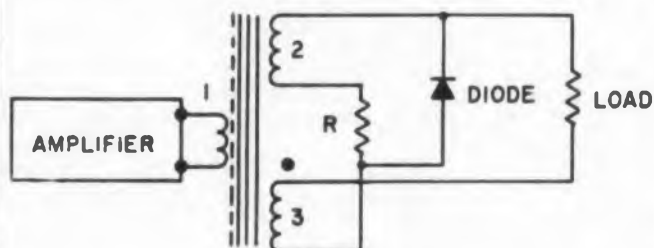


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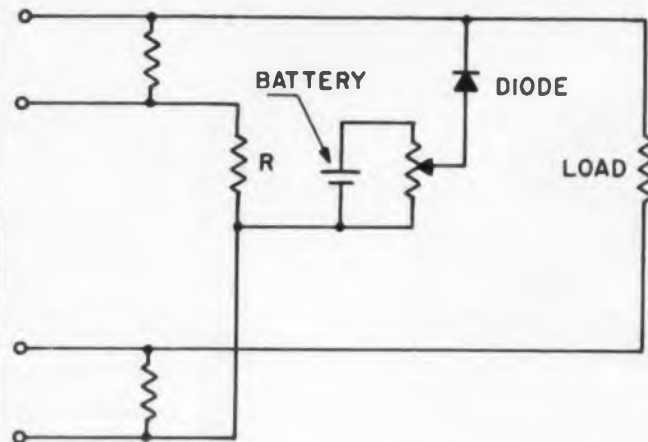


Fig. 2. Low-level gating can be obtained with resistive coupling and a battery to vary the clamping potential.

other and the diode acts to set a clamping action across the winding 2. Resistor R develops the clamping voltage across the diode and limits the current flow through it. Low-level signals, or noise, below the diode conducting voltage cause no clamping action. The signal potentials generated in coils 2 and 3 cancel so that no potential difference appears at the load. As the signal level is increased above the level of the diode forward voltage drop, diode current flows through resistor R on the positive segment of the signal. This causes an unbalance in signal between transformer coils 2 and 3 and a half wave rectified signal appears at the load, proportional to the signal amplitude. A sine-wave load signal can be obtained by placing a second diode in parallel, but reversed, across the diode shown. The clamping potential can be varied by selection of the type of diode, by adding diodes in series or, if an exact value is required, by the addition of a potentiometer and battery in series with the diode.

Fig. 2 illustrates a biasing circuit using resistive coupling. Two clamping diodes and potentials as described will allow a satisfactory sine-wave output, although the cross-over section of the sine-wave will be missing.

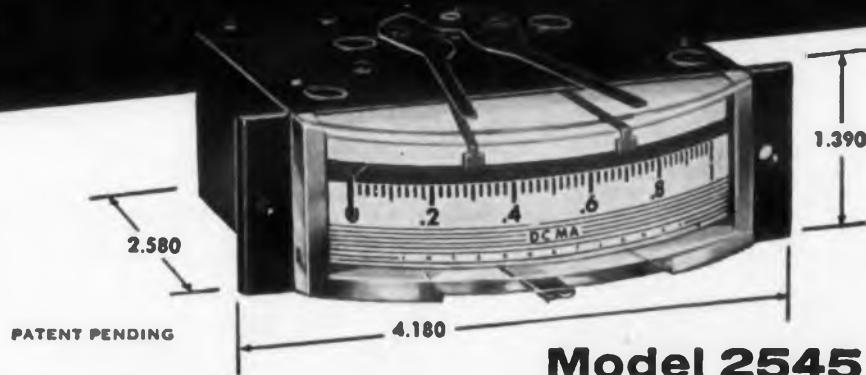
Metallic diodes are recommended in this circuit but vacuum-tube diodes will function if the Edison current through resistor R is balanced out. For optimum performance, resistor R should have the same impedance as the secondary winding. However the resistance value is not critical. Electrostatic shielding between windings is desirable.

The complete details of these circuits can be obtained by referring to patent number 2,867,735 issued January 6, 1959.

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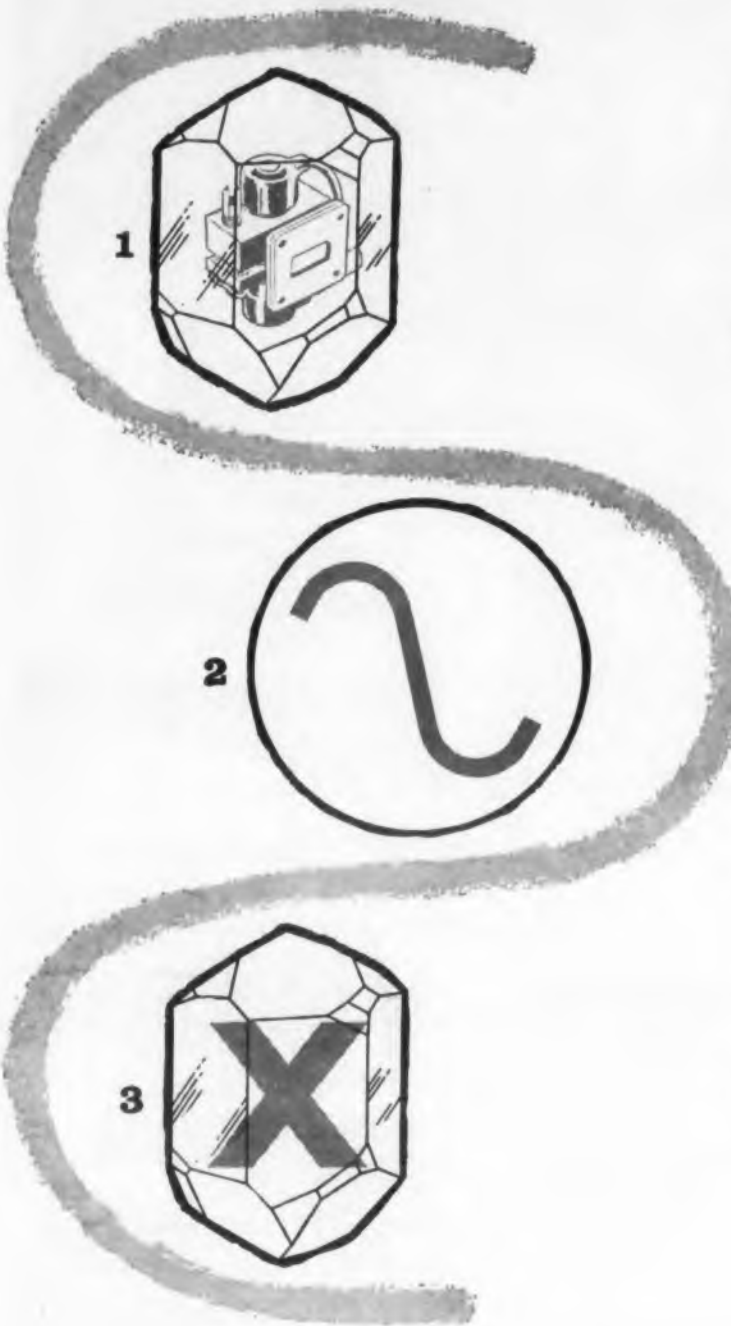
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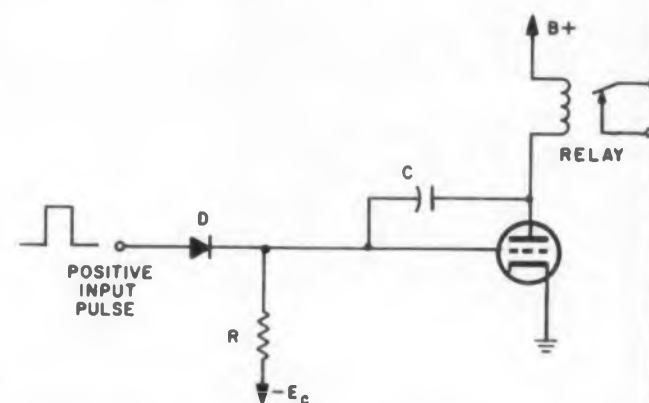
Miller Effect Extends Relay Close Time

Use was made of the Miller effect to provide an extended time delay in a relay circuit.

A relay had to be closed, without any delay, by a positive pulse. The relay was to remain closed for an extended time. For long close times, very large values for resistance and capacitance were required when conventional RC timing circuits were considered.

In the circuit shown, the tube is held cut-off by the bias voltage $-E_c$. A positive input pulse charges capacitor C_1 ; the tube conducts and closes the relay. The relay remains closed until the capacitor C discharges through R . However, the Miller effect has increased the effective capacity by a factor of $1 + A$, where A is the amplifier gain. This serves to extend the relay close time, and allows the use of comparatively smaller RC values.

Richard Steinberg, Member of the Technical Staff, Hughes Aircraft Co., Culver City, Calif.



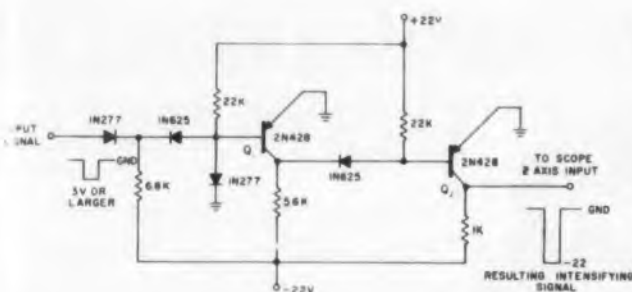
Miller effect is used to increase RC time constant and extend relay close time.

Logic Signal Intensifies Scope Display

During check-out of a digital computing system, it became necessary to intensify the oscilloscope display at a particular logical time in order to pinpoint the location of certain data.

The circuit shown, when connected to the scope's Z axis input, used computer derived logical signals to intensify the scope display. The intensifying signal I requires a negative pulse of 3-v amplitude or greater, referenced to ground. It is applied to the input diode of the inverter amplifier C_1 . Previously cut-off, Q_1 suddenly saturates, causing inverter stage Q_2 to cut-off. The collector

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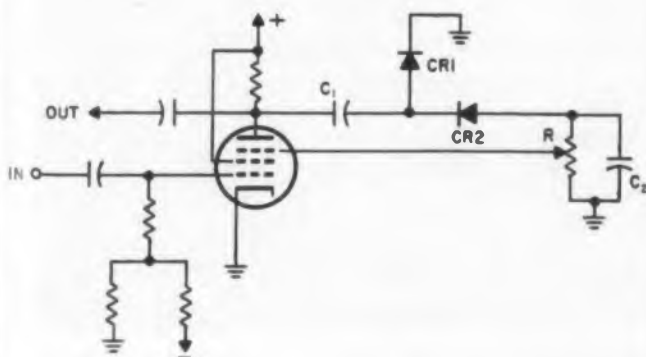
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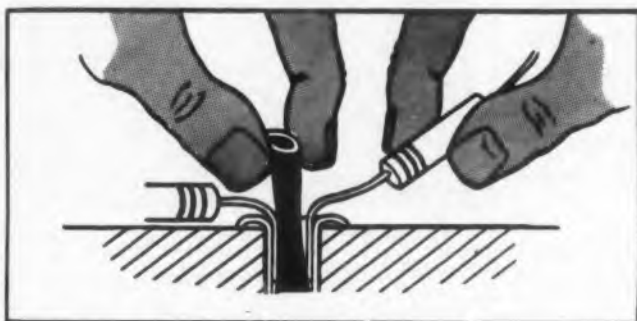


Fig. 1. By stretching the rubber core, different diameter wires are inserted and gripped firmly in this interesting terminal design.



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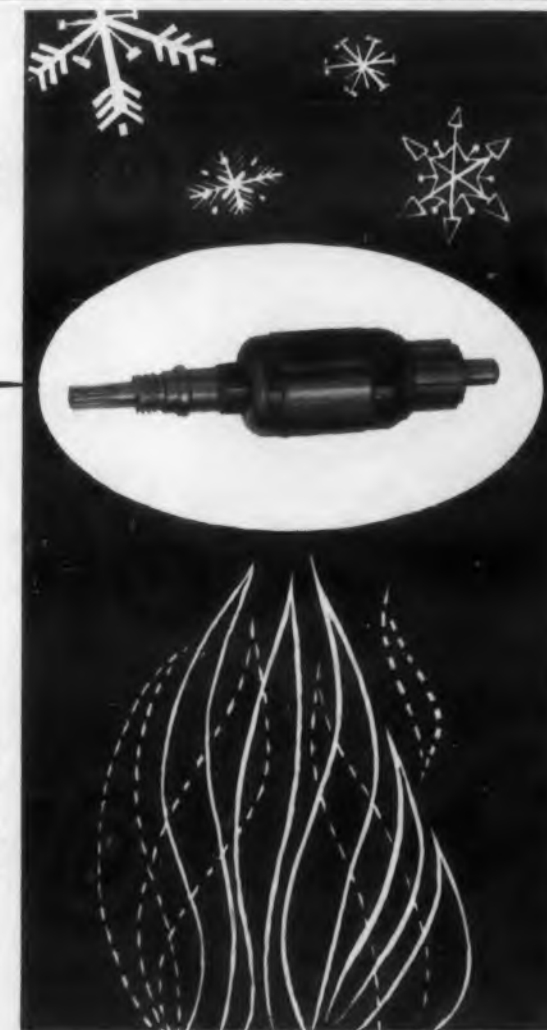
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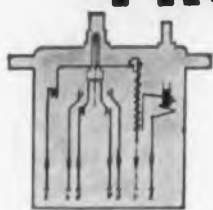
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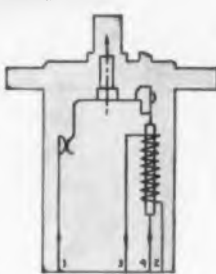
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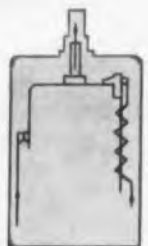
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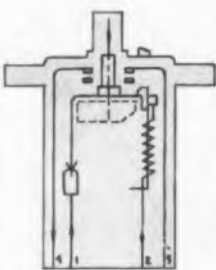
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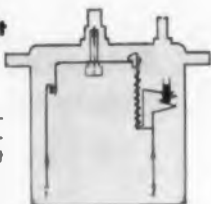


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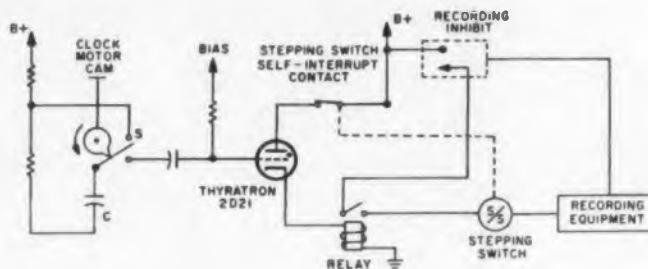
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When the clock motor cam closes switch S, the charged capacitor C discharges and fires the cut-off thyatron. Firing the thyatron energizes the relay. When data is not being recorded, B+ is fed through the closed recording-inhibit contacts (activated by other circuitry), but the closed relay contacts, to the stepping switch magnet. The energized stepping switch opens the self-interrupt contacts, extinguishing the thyatron and resetting the relay. Thus, for every clock pulse, the stepping switch is moved one position.

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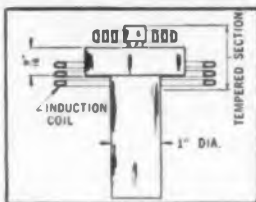
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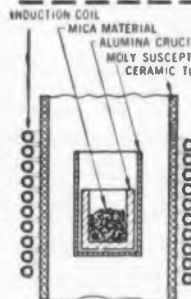
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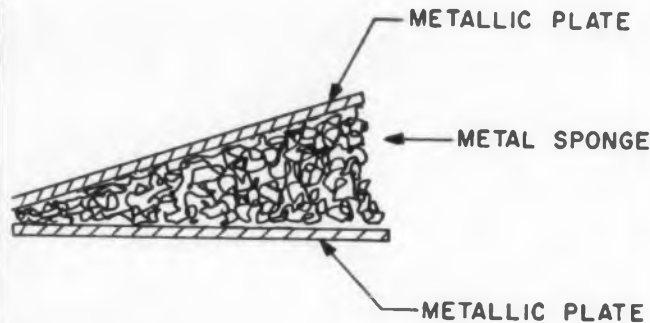
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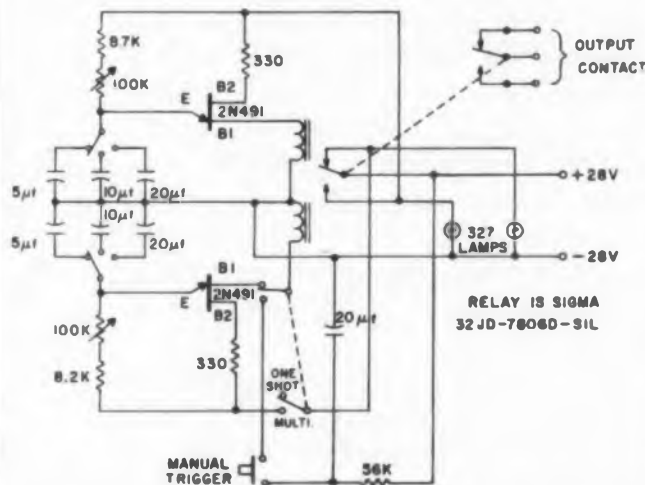
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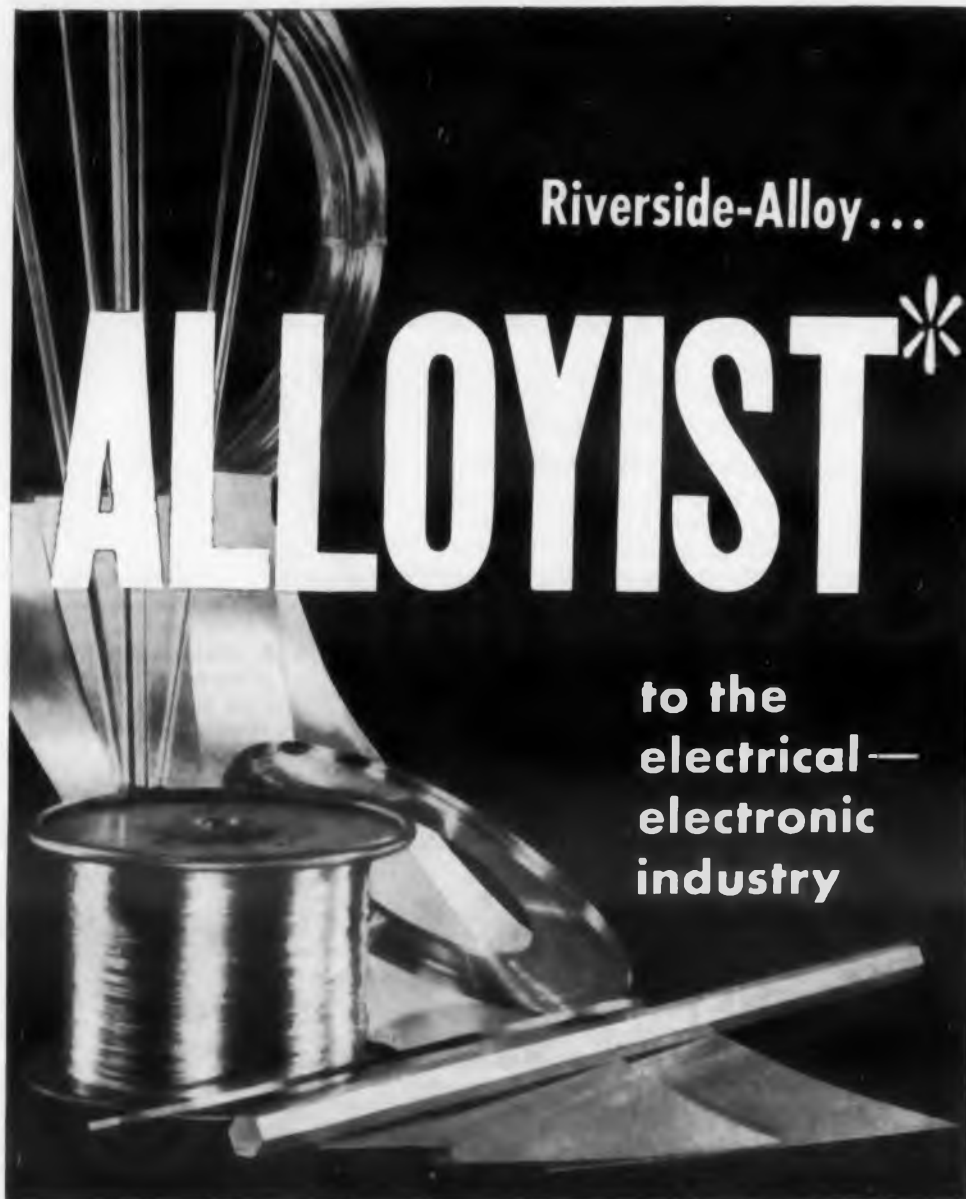
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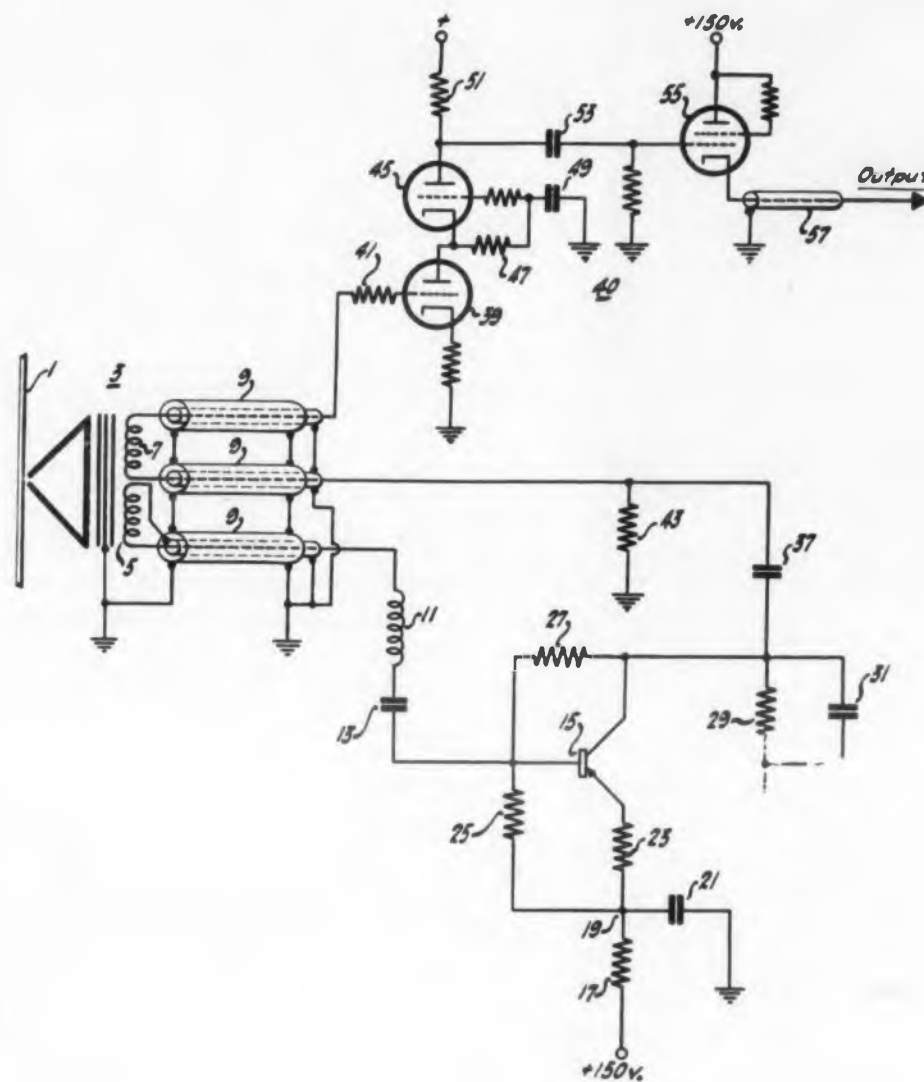
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Low Noise Preamplifier

Patent No. 2,919,313. W. R. Johnson. (Assigned to Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Co.)

A magnetic tape, suitable for television recording, is equalized by a preamplifier comprising integrating and high pass networks, combined for wide-band frequency response. The low frequencies are amplified by a low-noise pnp fused junction transistor, driving an essentially capacitive load. Vacuum tube microphonic noise and heater hum are eliminated and the low input impedance reduces the thermal noise. High-frequency gain is obtained by a low-noise vacuum tube cascode amplifier.

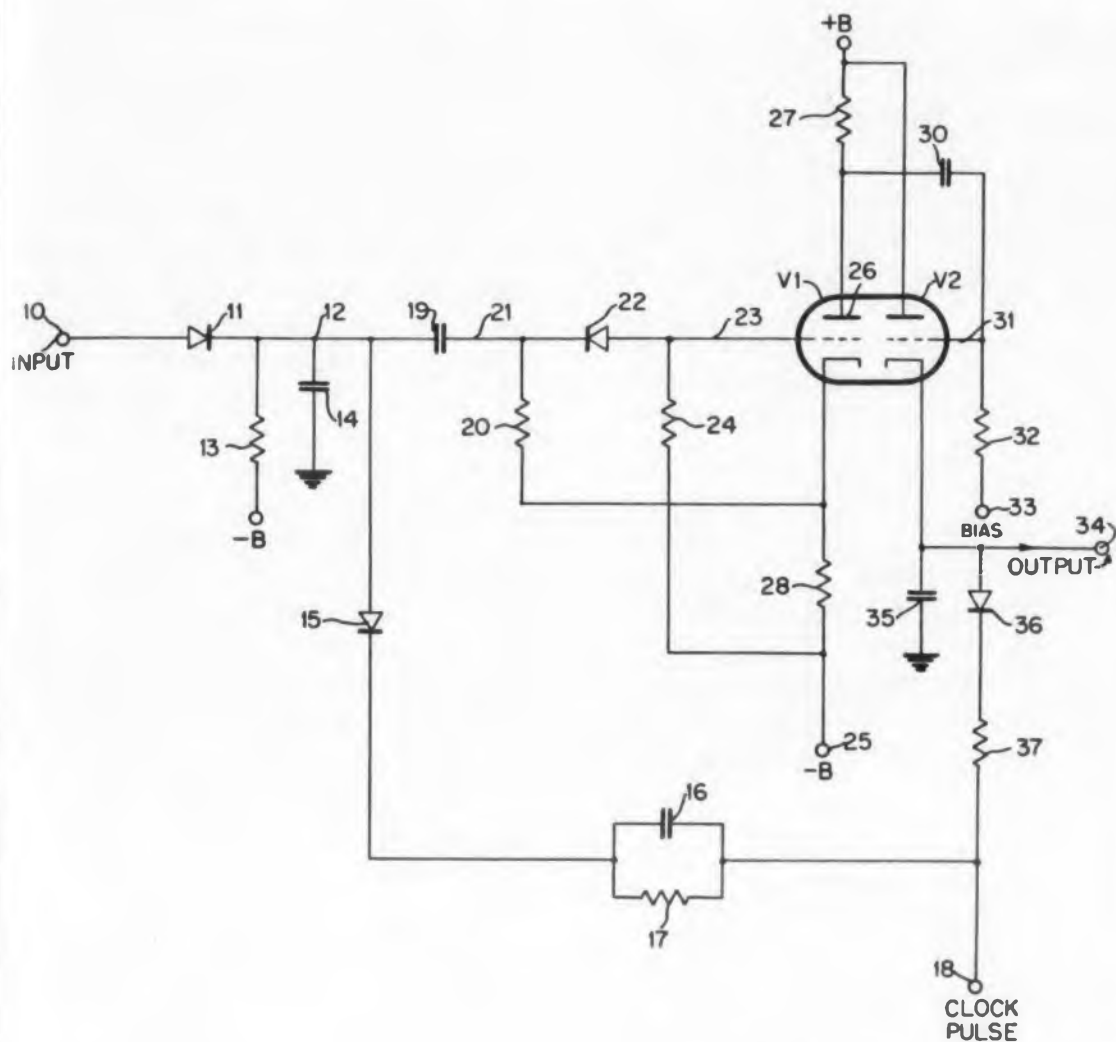
The essential features of the invention are the dual pickup coils 5 and 7, choke 11 which isolates transistor 15 from the high input frequencies, integrating capacitor 31, and grid resistor 43. The signals on coil 7 are combined to drive the high-frequency cascode amplifier circuit. Am-

plification in the transistor network is kept relatively constant up to 25 kc. At higher frequencies, choke 11 and capacitor 31 isolate the network from the output. The cascode amplifier drives the load resistor 51 of about 2000 ohms. Hence, at high frequencies the gain falls off rather slowly.

Method of Activating Thermionic Emitter

Patent No. 2,913,629. John E. White (Assigned to General Electric Co.)

The electrolytic method of activating an oxide-coated cathode is improved by periodically applying an accelerating field for temperature limited emission. Oxygen, formed during the pulse period, diffuses rapidly to the surface and completely evaporates, leaving a free, alkaline-coated cathode. By this means, the activation time is reduced to one-thirtieth of that previously required. A very uniform electron emitting surface is produced. Schedules are tabulated for the activation of tube types 6SN7, 6AU6 and 12AU7.



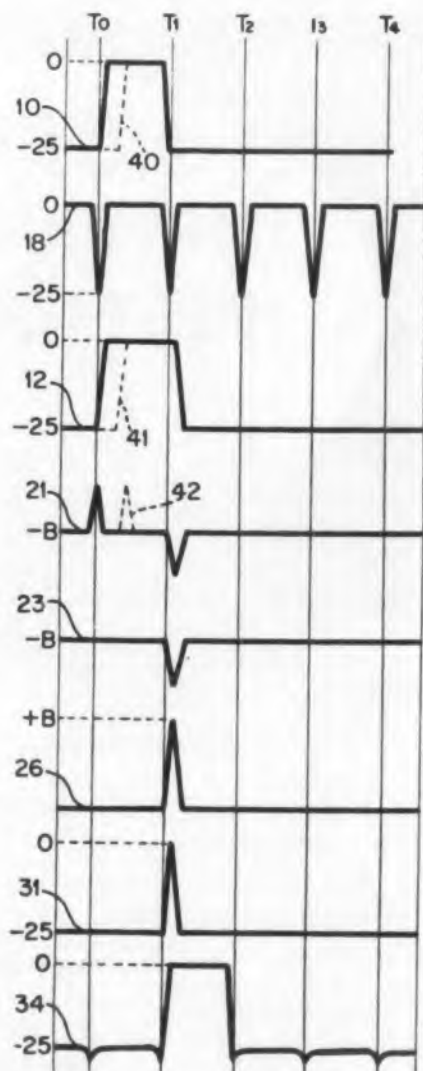
Timed Pulse Delay Circuit

Patent No. 2,910,583. James W. Toner.
(Assigned to IBM Corp.).

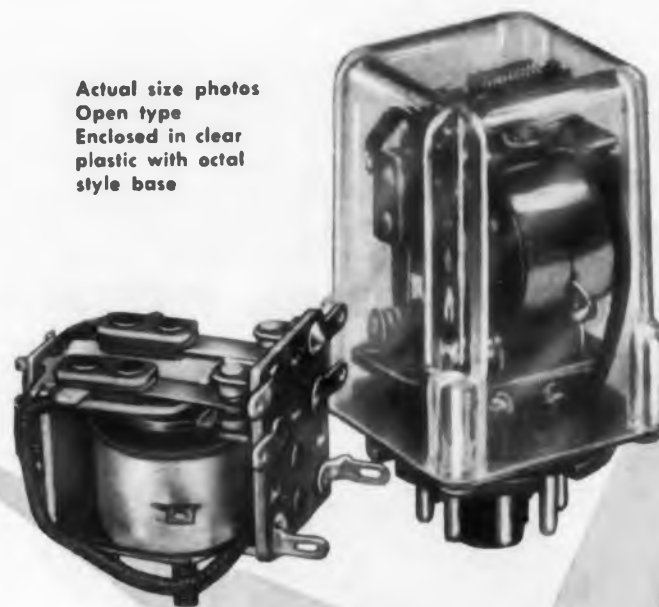
Pulse delay is effectively obtained by generating an output of fixed duration in response to the mere existence of an applied voltage. The output is initiated independent of both the leading and trailing edges of the input waveform.

Briefly, positive going input 10 charges capacitor 14 which is then discharged by a clock pulse 18 connected through diode 15. After differentiation the negative going trigger 23 passing through diode 22 and inverter V_1 causes capacitor 35 to charge. Subsequently, source 18 discharges this capacitor resulting in pulse 34 whose duration equals the interval between clock pulses.

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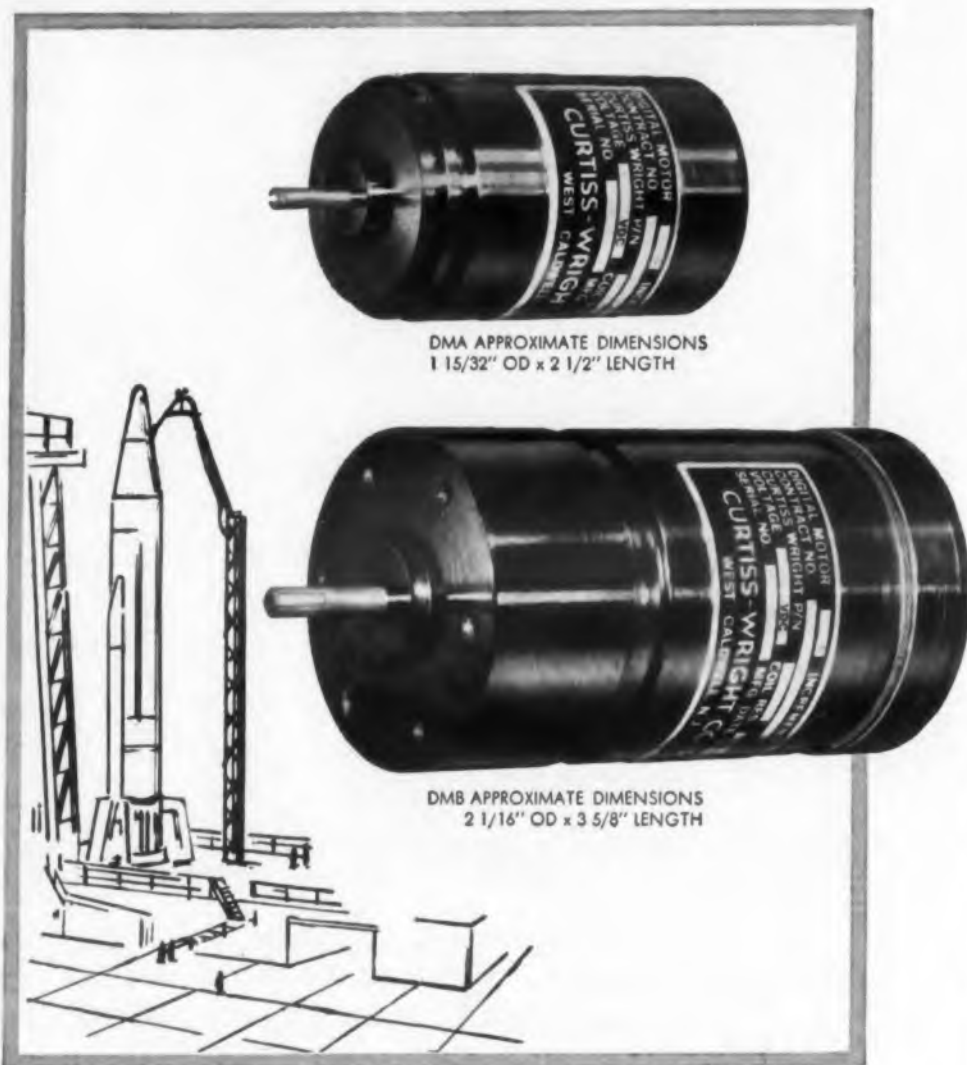
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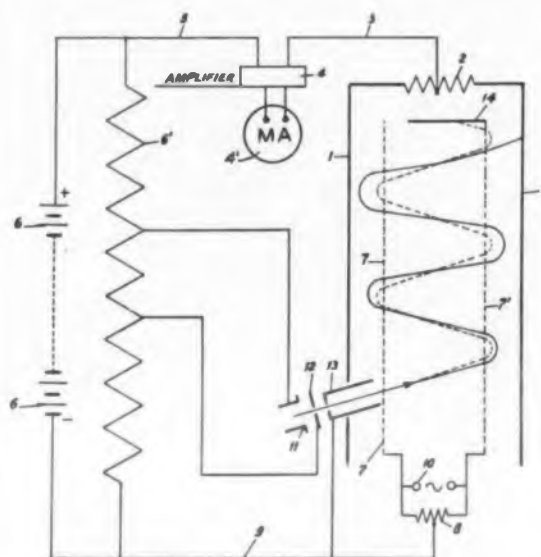
PATENTS

Device For The Separation of Gas Ions

Patent No. 2,919,348. Aron Bierman.

A simple electrostatic system separates gas ions of different mass due to their relative zig-zag motion in and out of a potential well.

Diagrammatically, the ions from source *II* are accelerated toward concave plate *I'* at a specified angle to the tube axis.



The repelling forces developed by grids 7' and 7 make their path cyclical and the particles ultimately are collected at plate 14. However, the high frequency source 10 may be adjusted to resonate with the motion of a particle of a selected mass number. The amplitude of the motion then regularly increases, until the energy is sufficient to overcome the barrier of grid 7' and the particle strikes plate 1', preferably at a window.

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Pulsed Magnetron Instability Detector

Patent No. 2,895,107. Gerald I. Klein. (Assigned to United States of America)

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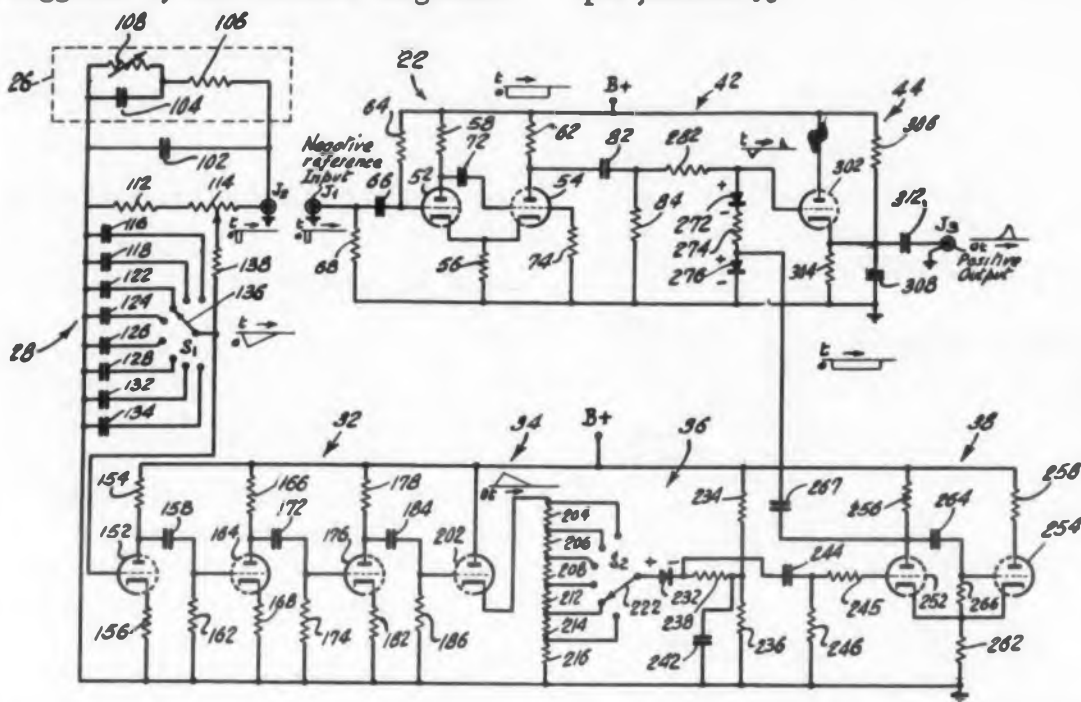


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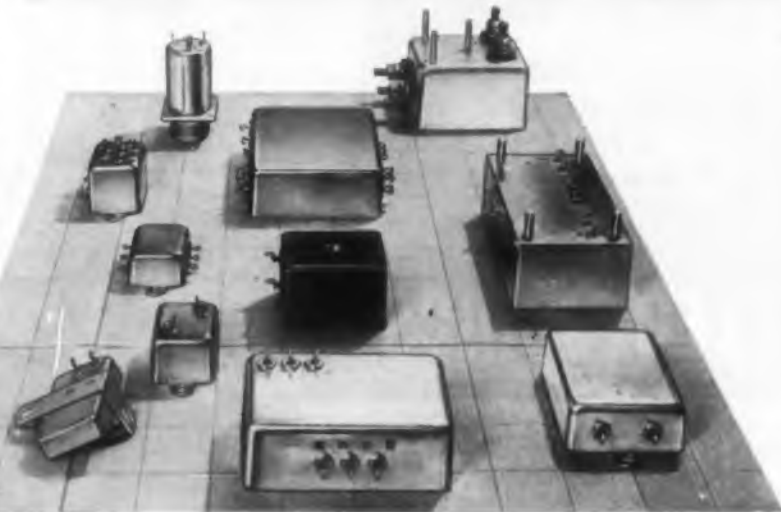
ence circuit. The apparatus used is the standard JAN test setup for determining performance with magnetron specifications.

Essentially, diodes 272 and 274 of network 42 compares the outputs from two multivibrators. Multivibrator 22 is driven directly by a pulser and multivibrator 38 is triggered by the detected magnetron

output set by pedestal network 36. In a stable magnetron, cancellation of the pulses in network 42 is complete and zero output appears at junction J_3 . With instability, the cancellation is incomplete, especially when the magnetron fails to fire in the specified mode, and triode 302 couples a signal to the counter at the output junction J_3 .



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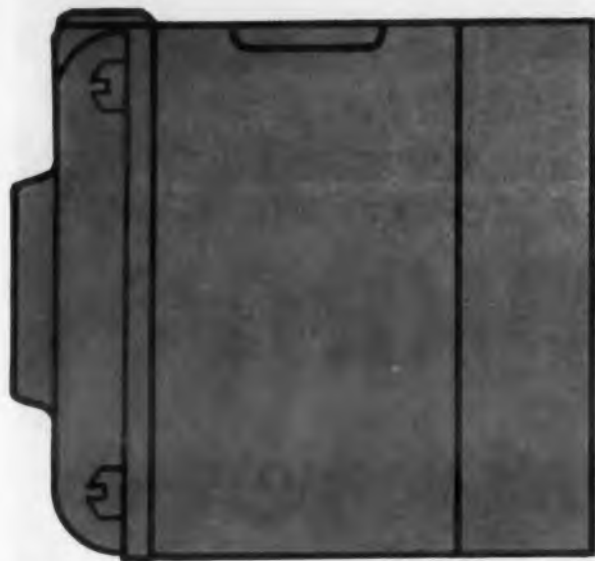
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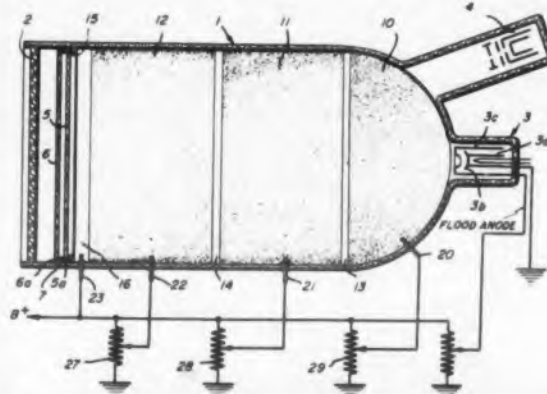
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Electron Discharge Devices

Patent No. 2,917,658. R. W. Hunter. (Assigned to International Telephone and Telegraph Corp.)

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Charged Particle Beam Focusing System

Patent No. 2,902,622. Michiaki Ito (Assigned to International Standard Electric Corp.)

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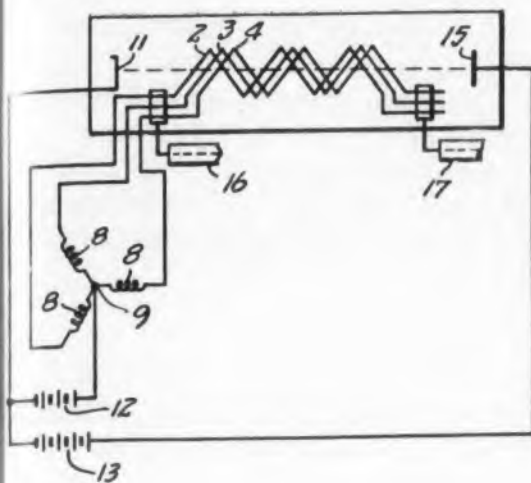


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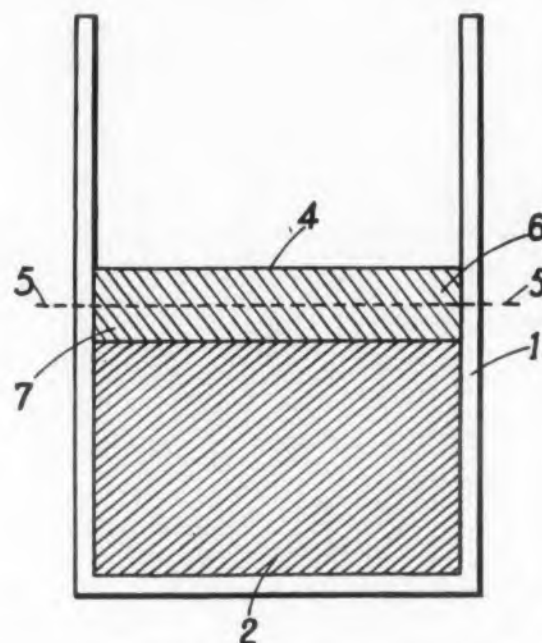
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Manufacture of Sintered Cathodes

Patent No. 2,913,812. H. Huber, J. Freytag and J. Reynaud. (Assigned to Compagnie Generale de Telegraphie)

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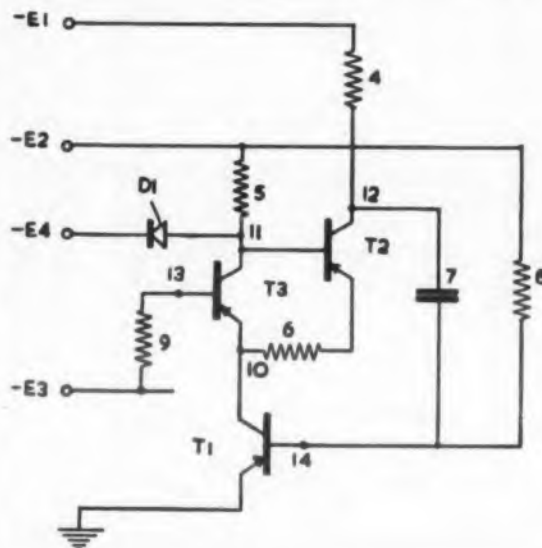
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Electric Circuit for Generating Substantially Linear Voltage Changes
Patent No. 2,916,705. W. L. Stephenson. (Assigned to North American Philips Co.)

A simple transistor configuration provides monostable operation and generates a linear output waveform.

As illustrated, pnp transistors T_2 and T_3 are initially fully conducting. A positive pulse applied to point 13 causes T_2 to



conduct harder and the positive pulse coupled to T_1 causes T_2 to cut off. Capacitor 7 discharges linearly and the negative feedback through T_1 raises the potential of point 10 so that T_3 is no longer cut off. Regenerative dc coupling between T_3 and T_2 resets these transistors to full conduction.

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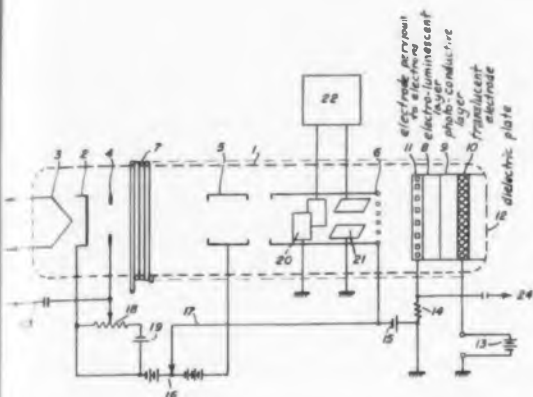
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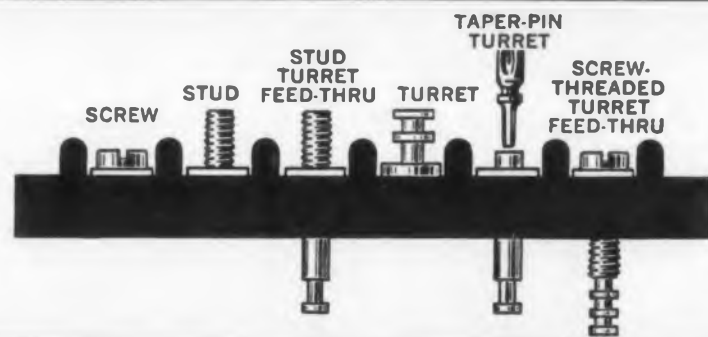
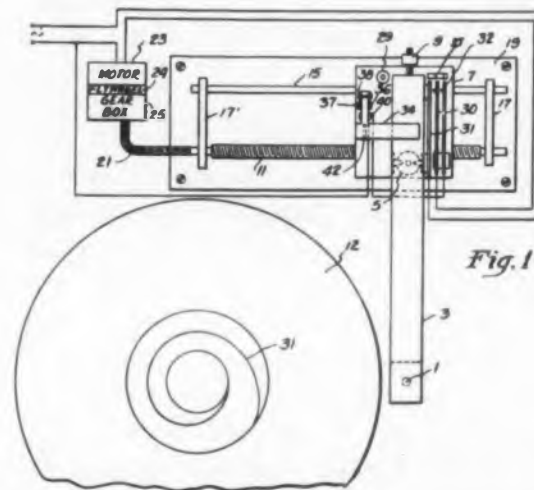
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E. Norman Lurch, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N.Y., 631 pp, \$8.25.

Planned to meet the need of the technician who is to work in the electronics field, this book provides a firm background in electronics fundamentals. It is intended as an introduction to the field as a whole and prepares the reader for the more specialized aspects of electronics: communications, industrial electronics, television, microwaves, and computing systems.

In following the text material, only a working knowledge of dc fundamentals, algebra and right-angle trigonometry is required. Also, if not prerequisite, the student should be studying ac circuits concurrently with the first six chapters

which deal with electronic devices. The level of the text enables the student to make gain calculations, compute power outputs, perform graphical solutions, determine the modulation applied to a carrier wave, and solve other similar problems. However, he will not be prepared to handle the design calculations and original derivations that are expected of the electronic engineer.

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Electrical Engineering Fundamentals

J. P. Neal, McGraw-Hill Book Co., 330 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N.Y., 402 pp, 8.50.

A thorough introduction to the fundamentals of electrical engineering theory is presented in this new undergraduate text. It is assumed that the reader has had college physics courses in mechanics, electricity, and magnetism and mathematics courses in analytic geometry, algebra and calculus.

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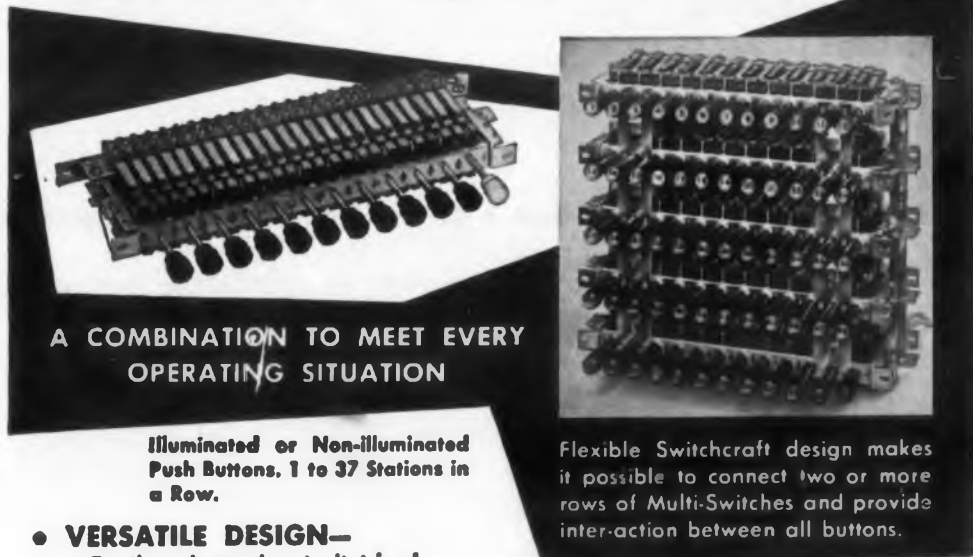
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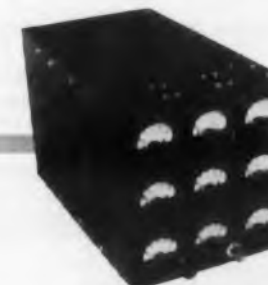
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Final-Stage Design of a Vertical Sweep Generator

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THE OPERATION of the output stage of a vertical sweep generator is analyzed for both inductive and transformer loads. A simple method for designing the circuits is described which results in good output current linearity.

Inductive Load Design

The output stage of a vertical sweep generator with a choke load is shown in Fig. 1a. The equivalent diagram of the plate circuit of this stage is given in Fig. 1b, with

$$C_o = \frac{C_c C_b}{C_c + C_b} \quad (1)$$

It is assumed that the entire ac component of the tube current flows through capacitors C_o and C_b .

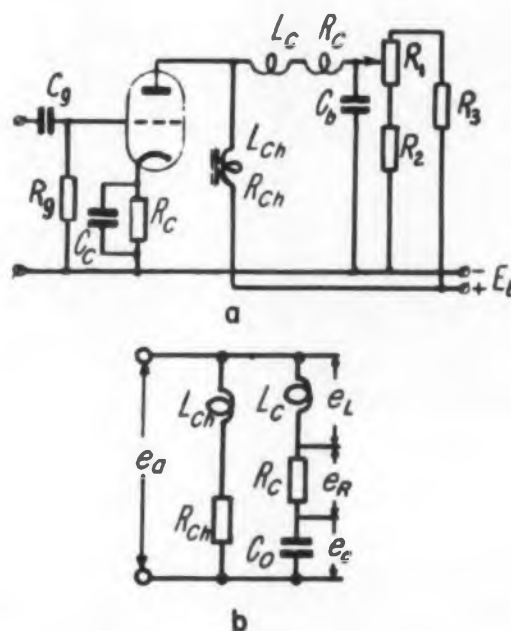


Fig. 1. a) Output circuit of a vertical sweep generator with choke load. b) Equivalent output stage circuit.

The output current waveform applied to the deflecting coils is shown in Fig. 2. It is expressed by Eq. 2:

$$i_c = I_c \left(\frac{t}{T} - 0.5 \right) \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq T \quad (2)$$

repeating periodically for $t > T$. The return time is assumed to be zero. The distributed capacitances of the deflecting coils and of the choke are neglected.

The voltage drop across the inductance and resistance of the deflecting coil and across capacitance C_o is

$$e_{ac} = e_L + e_R + e_c = \frac{-I_c}{2C_o T} t^2 - I_c \left(\frac{R_g}{T} - \frac{1}{2C_o} \right) t + L_c I_c \delta(t) + 0.5 R_c I_c - \frac{L_c I_c}{T} - \frac{I_c T}{12C_o} \quad (3)$$

where $\delta(t)$ is the δ -function corresponding to $t = nT$.

The same voltage, due to the current flowing through it, is impressed across the choke. It is convenient to consider the choke current as consisting of four components:

$$i_{ch} = i_{ch1} + i_{ch2} + i_{ch3} + i_{ch4} \quad (4)$$

With

$$f_1(i_{ch1}) = -\frac{I_c}{2C_o T} t^2$$

$$f_2(i_{ch2}) = -I_c \left(\frac{R_c}{T} - \frac{1}{2C_o} \right) t \quad (5)$$

$$f_3(i_{ch3}) = L_c I_c \delta(t)$$

$$f_4(i_{ch4}) = I_c \left(0.5 R_c - \frac{L_c}{T} - \frac{T}{12C_o} \right)$$

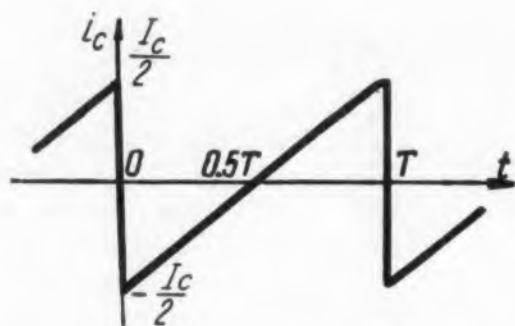


Fig. 2. Output current waveform of the sweep generator. The return time is assumed to be zero.

The current i_{ch1} is obtained from:

$$L_{ch} \frac{di_{ch1}}{dt} - R_{ch} i_{ch1} = -\frac{I_c}{2C_o T} t^2 \quad (6)$$

The function on the right side of the equation is periodic, with a period T . This differential equation is solved by operational calculus methods.

$$i_{ch1}(p) = \frac{I_c}{2C_o T} \left[\frac{t^2(p)}{pL_{ch} + R_{ch}} \right] \quad (7)$$

where:

$$t^2(p) = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-pT}} \int_0^T t^2 e^{-pt} dt = \frac{T^2 e^{-pT}}{p(1 - e^{-pT})} - \frac{2T e^{-pT}}{p^2(1 - e^{-pT})} + \frac{2}{p^3} \quad (8)$$

The inverse transform of i_{ch1} is found by integrating over the contour L , which includes the imaginary axis of the complex plane p , Fig. 3.

$$i_{ch1}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_L i_{ch1}(p) e^{pt} dp$$

$$= \frac{I_c}{2C_o T} \left[-\frac{T^2}{2\pi i} \int_L \frac{e^{p(t-T)} dp}{p(1 - e^{-pT})(pL_{ch} + R_{ch})} \right.$$

$$\left. - \frac{2T}{2\pi i} \int_L \frac{e^{p(t-T)} dp}{p^2(1 - e^{-pT})(pL_{ch} + R_{ch})} \right.$$

$$\left. + \frac{2}{2\pi i} \int_L \frac{e^{pt} dp}{p^3(pL_{ch} + R_{ch})} \right]$$

$$= \frac{I_c}{2C_o T} \left(-T^2 \int_1 - 2T \int_2 + 2 \int_3 \right) \quad (9)$$

The first integral can be represented as a difference of two integrals, one along the contour L_1 , which includes the entire left half plane and the imaginary axis, and the second along the contour

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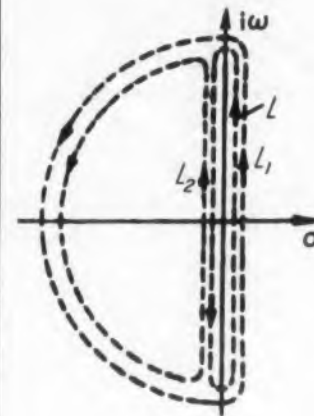


Fig. 3. The choke current can be found by performing two integrations—one along path L_1 , which includes the entire left half plane and the imaginary axis, and the other along path L_2 , which includes only the left half plane.

L_2 , which includes only the left half plane, Fig. 3.

$$\int_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{L_1} \frac{e^{p(t-T)} dp}{p(1-e^{-pT})(pL_{ch} + R_{ch})} - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{L_2} \frac{e^{p(t-T)} dp}{p(1-e^{-pT})(pL_{ch} + R_{ch})} \quad (10)$$

Since:

$$\frac{1}{1-e^{-pT}} = 1 + e^{-pT} + e^{-2pT} + e^{-3pT} + \dots \quad (11)$$

the integral along L_1 can be broken into a series of integrals, the numerator of which is exponential in $p(t-kT)$. To satisfy the Jordan lemma it is necessary that $\text{Re}[p(t-kT)] < 0$, that is, that the real part of p be positive. This requires that the contour L_1 be closed in the right half plane, where the integrand has no singularity; the integral over L_1 therefore vanishes. The second integral in Eq. 10 is equal to the residue at the pole, $p = -R_{ch}/L_{ch}$, and therefore

$$\int_1 = \frac{-e^{-pt}}{R_{ch}(1-e^{-pT})} \quad (12)$$

where:

$$\alpha = \frac{R_{ch}}{L_{ch}}$$

The integral \int_2 can also be found by piecewise integration, with the integral over L_1 again vanishing for the same reason as above, and the integral over L_2 being equal to the residue at the pole, $p = -R_{ch}/L_{ch}$.

$$\int_2 = \frac{L_{ch}}{R_{ch}^2(1-e^{\alpha T})} \quad (13)$$

The integral \int_3 equals the residue at the third-order pole, $p = 0$

$$\int_3 = \frac{1}{2R_{ch}} \left(\frac{2}{\alpha^2} - \frac{2t}{\alpha} + t^2 \right) \quad (14)$$

Thus, the choke current i_{ch1} is equal to

$$i_{ch1} = \frac{I_c}{R_{ch} C_o T} \left[\frac{T \left(\frac{T}{2} - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right)}{1 - e^{-\alpha T}} e^{-\alpha t} + \frac{1}{\alpha^2} - \frac{t}{\alpha} + \frac{t^2}{2} \right]$$

Expressions for i_{ch2} , i_{ch3} and i_{ch4} are obtained in analogous manner, and the values of these currents are

$$i_{ch2} = \frac{I_c T}{R_{ch}} \left(\frac{R_c}{T} - \frac{1}{2C_o} \right) \left[\frac{t}{T} + \frac{e^{-\alpha t}}{1 - e^{-\alpha T}} - \frac{1}{\alpha T} \right], \quad (16)$$

$$i_{ch3} = - \frac{I_c L_c}{L_{ch}} \frac{e^{-\alpha t}}{1 - e^{-\alpha T}}, \quad (17)$$

$$i_{ch4} = \frac{I_c}{R_{ch}} \left[\frac{L_c}{T} - 0.5R_c + \frac{T}{12C_o} \right]. \quad (18)$$

The total ac component of the plate current of the tube is

$$i_{ac} = i_c + i_{ch1} + i_{ch2} + i_{ch3} + i_{ch4}$$

$$= I_c \left[A e^{-\alpha T} \left(\frac{t}{T} \right) + B \left(\frac{t}{T} \right)^2 + C \frac{t}{T} + D \right], \quad (19)$$

where:

$$A = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-\alpha T}} \left(\frac{R_c}{R_{ch}} - \frac{1}{\alpha R_{ch} C_o} - \frac{L_c}{L_{ch}} \right), \quad (20)$$

$$B = \frac{T}{2R_{ch} C_o}, \quad (21)$$

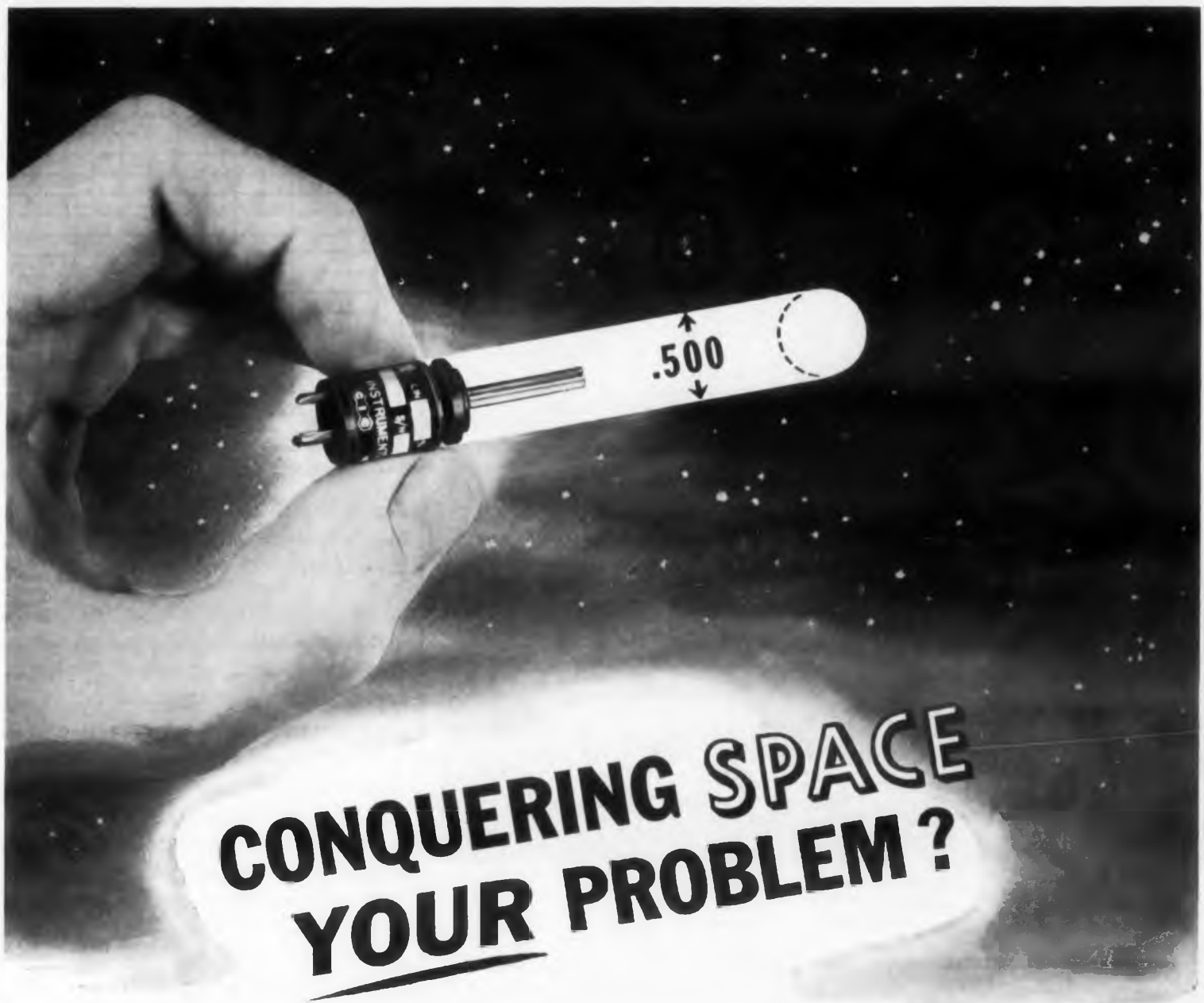
$$C = 1 + \frac{1}{R_{ch}} \left(R_c - \frac{1}{\alpha C_o} - \frac{T}{2C_o} \right), \quad (22)$$

$$D = \frac{1}{R_{ch}} \left[\frac{L_c}{T} + \frac{T}{12C_o} + \left(0.5 + \frac{1}{\alpha T} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\alpha C_o} - R_c \right) \right]. \quad (23)$$

Calculating the Rise Time Excitation

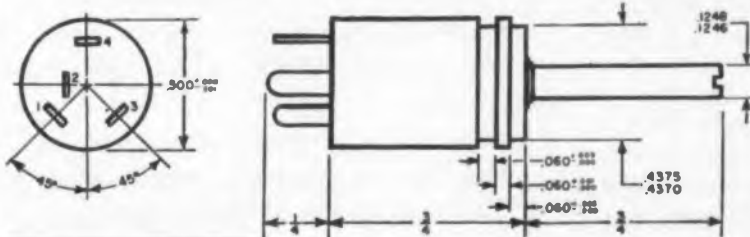
Expressions 3 and 19 make it possible to draw a load line on the tube plate characteristics. With the aid of this load line the required wave form of the excitation voltage during the rise time can be determined. It is necessary to select the values of the dc components of the plate current and plate voltage of the tube, that is, the position of the operating point. This choice is made by a trial and error method in which maximum deflecting current linearity is sought.

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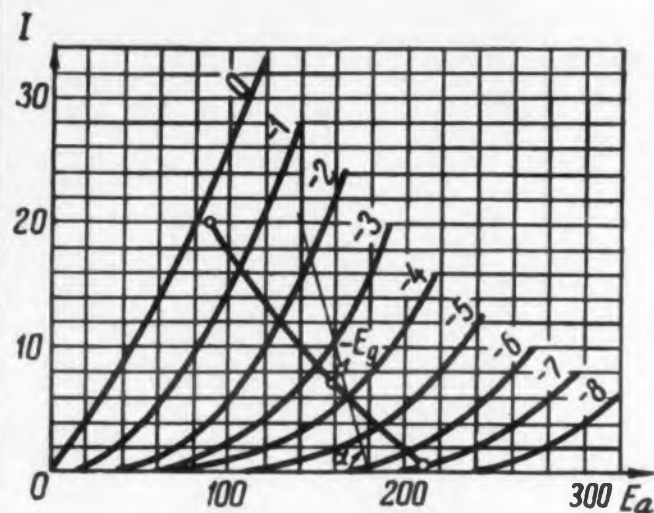


Fig. 4. The dc operating point on the plate characteristics is assumed to be the origin of coordinates for the ac load line.

cathode resistance must be taken into account. From the point $e_a = E_b - |E_g|$ (E_b is the power supply voltage, E_g the grid bias), recommended for transformer-coupled operation, a dc load line is drawn at an angle $\alpha = \cot^{-1} R_{ch}$ to the abscissa. A dc operating point corresponding to $-E_g$, Fig. 4, is marked on this line. In the case of fixed bias, a dc load line is drawn through the point $e_a = E_b$.

The dc operating point is assumed to be the origin of coordinates for the ac components of the plate voltage and current. Using this coordinate system, an ac load line is drawn, from which the required wave form of the excitation voltage is obtained. However, since the required wave form can be determined only approximately, there is no need for drawing the entire line.

At best, the actual excitation voltage, usually obtained by charging a capacitor through a resistance, will coincide with the required sweep voltage in only three points. Therefore, the entire calculation is performed only for these three points, selected beforehand, which are chosen to correspond to $t = 0$, $t = 0.5T$, and $t = T$. For these values of t , the ac components of the plate voltage and current, e_{ao} and i_{ao} , are calculated and note is made of the corresponding points on the family of the plate characteristics, Fig. 4.

From the positions of these points on the plate characteristics, the necessary instantaneous values of the excitation voltage, e_{g0} , $e_{g0.5}$ and e_{gT} , can be determined.

The excitation voltage swing during the rise time is

$$e_{gm} = |e_{gT} - e_{g0}| \quad (24)$$

The nonlinearity of the excitation voltage is characterized by the quantity

$$\Delta e_g = |e_{g0.5} - e_{g0}| - |e_{gT} - e_{g0.5}| \quad (25)$$

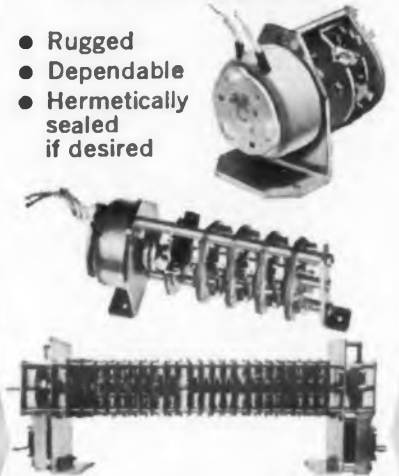
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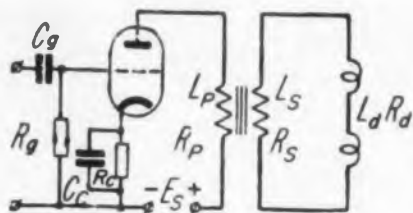


Fig. 5. Output circuit of a vertical sweep generator with transformer-coupled load.

To obtain the required excitation voltage swing during the rise time, and after the maximum circuit charging voltage has been specified, the charging circuit time constant must be determined. The next step is to determine Δe_p of the resultant excitation voltage and to compare it with the specified value of Δe_p . It is desirable that these quantities differ by not more than 5-10 per cent. If the discrepancy is too great, it is necessary to change the position of the computed points (that is, of the load line) by changing the grid bias. All the computation points are shifted by equal displacements along a line inclined to the abscissa at a fixed angle. In the case of a fixed bias, this angle is

$$\alpha = \cot^{-1} R_{ch} \quad (26)$$

In the case of cathode bias, this angle is

$$\alpha' = \cot^{-1} R_{ch} \frac{\mu - 1 - \frac{R_i}{R_{ch}}}{\mu + 1 + \frac{R_i}{R_{ch}}} \quad (27)$$

The foregoing analysis and method of calculation apply only to the rise time of the sweep. The high pulse voltage that develops on the plate during the return sweep means that a negative pulse of definite amplitude must be applied to the grid of the tube. This pulse, as is known, is obtained by means of a peaking resistance, whose value can be calculated from:

$$R_{peak} = \frac{L_c}{C_a \left(R_c + R_i + \frac{R_c R_i}{R_{ch}} \right)}$$

where C_a is the capacitance of the charging capacitor, and R_i is the internal resistance of the output tube.

Transformer Load Design

The design of a transformer-coupled output stage is similar to that given above, however the expressions for e_{ao} and i_{ac} , and also for several other quantities, are different.

Fig. 5 shows the output stage with a transformer coupled load, while Fig. 6 shows the corresponding equivalent plate circuits. In these diagrams L_p and R_p are the inductance and resistance of the primary winding, L_s and R_s are the same

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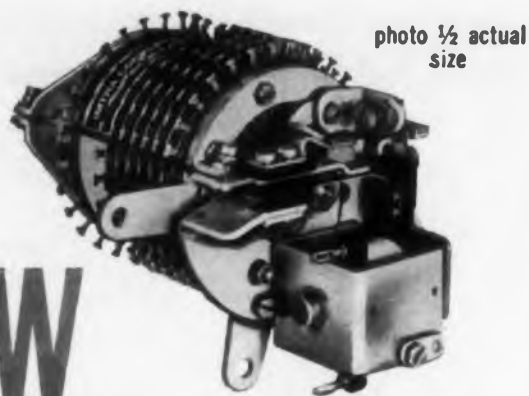
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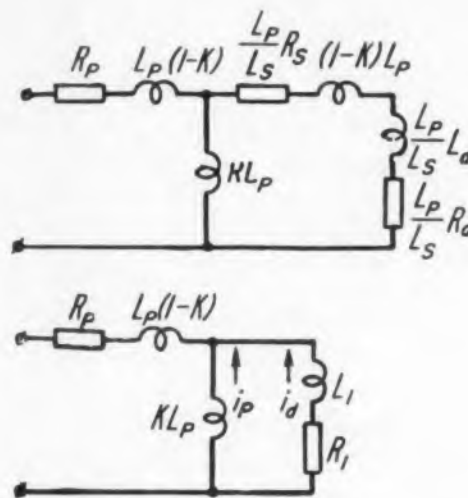


Fig. 6. Equivalent plate circuits for the transformer-coupled output stage.

for the secondary winding, L_d and R_d are the same for the deflecting system, and k is the coupling coefficient for the transformer windings. The analysis is based on the equivalent circuit of Fig. 6b, in which:

$$L_1 = \frac{L_p}{L_s} L_d + (1 - k) L_p \quad (28)$$

and:

$$R_1 = \frac{L_p}{L_s} (R_d + R_s) \quad (29)$$

The current in the deflecting plates during the rise time of the sweep is:

$$i_d = I_d \left(\frac{t}{T} - 0.5 \right)$$

The current in the $L_1 R_1$ branch is:

$$i_c' = I_c' \left(\frac{t}{T} - 0.5 \right)$$

where:

$$I_c' = I_c \sqrt{\frac{L_s}{L_p}} = I_c \frac{\omega_s}{\omega_p}$$

The voltage across the $L_1 R_1$ branch is:

$$e_1 = -R_1 I_d' \frac{t}{T} + L_1 I_d' \delta(t) + \left(\frac{R_1}{2} - \frac{L_1}{T} \right) I_d'$$

$$e_1 = -\kappa L_p \frac{di_p}{dt} \quad (30)$$

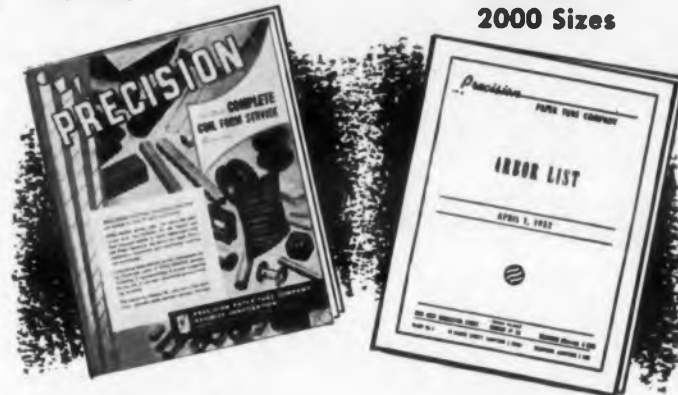
where:

$$i_{pos} = -\frac{1}{\kappa L_p} \int e_1 dt + C' = I_d \left[\frac{R_1 T}{2\kappa L_p} \left(\frac{t}{T} \right)^2 \right]$$

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The plate current of the tube is:

$$i_{ac} = i_d + i_{pac} = I_d \left[B \left(\frac{t}{T} \right)^2 + C \frac{t}{T} - D \right] \quad (32)$$

where:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} B &= \frac{R_1 T}{2\kappa L_p} \\ C &= 1 - \frac{T}{\kappa L_p} \left(\frac{R_1 - L_1}{2} - \frac{L_1}{T} \right) \\ D &= \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \frac{T}{\kappa L_p} \left(\frac{R_1 - L_1}{6} - \frac{L_1}{T} \right) \right] \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (33)$$

This current produces a voltage drop across R_p and $L_p (1 - \kappa)$:

$$\begin{aligned} e_2 &= -L_p (1 - \kappa) \frac{di_{ac}}{dt} - R_p i_{ac} = \frac{I_d R_1 R_p T}{2\kappa L_p} \left(\frac{t}{T} \right)^2 \\ &- I_d \left\{ \frac{R_1 (1 - \kappa)}{\kappa} + R_p \left[1 - \frac{T}{\kappa L_p} \left(\frac{R_1 - L_1}{2} - \frac{L_1}{T} \right) \right] \right\} \\ &\frac{t}{T} - \frac{I_d L_p (1 - \kappa)}{T} \left[1 - \frac{T}{\kappa L_p} \left(\frac{R_1 - L_1}{2} - \frac{L_1}{T} \right) \right] \\ &+ I_d \frac{R_p}{2} \left[1 - \frac{T}{\kappa L_p} \left(\frac{R_1 - L_1}{6} - \frac{L_1}{T} \right) \right] \quad (34) \end{aligned}$$

The voltage across the tube plate during rise time is

$$e_{ac} = e_1 + e_2 = I_d \left[K \left(\frac{t}{T} \right)^2 + M \frac{t}{T} + N \right] \quad (35)$$

where:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \kappa &= \frac{R_1 R_p T}{2\kappa L_p} \\ M &= - \left\{ \frac{(1 - \kappa) R_1}{\kappa} + R_p \left[1 - \frac{T}{\kappa L_p} \left(\frac{R_1 - L_1}{2} - \frac{L_1}{T} \right) + R_1 \right] \right\} \\ N &= \frac{R_1}{2} - \frac{L_1}{T} - \frac{L_p (1 - \kappa)}{T} \left[1 - \frac{T}{\kappa L_p} \left(\frac{R_1 - L_1}{2} - \frac{L_1}{T} \right) \right] \\ &+ \frac{R_p}{2} \left[1 - \frac{T}{\kappa L_p} \left(\frac{R_1 - L_1}{6} - \frac{L_1}{T} \right) \right] \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (36)$$

Expressions 32 and 35 make it possible to draw the load line and compute the excitation voltage

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by the three-point method. The following expressions are also used:

$$\alpha = \cot^{-1} R_p, \quad (37)$$

$$\alpha' = \cot^{-1} R_p \frac{\mu - 1 - \frac{R_i}{R_p}}{\mu + 1 + \frac{R_p}{R_i}} \quad (38)$$

$$\tau = \frac{-T}{\ln \left(1 - \frac{e_{am}}{E_0} \right)}, \quad (39)$$

$$\Delta e_\theta = E_0 \left(1 - e^{-2\tau} \right)^2 + \frac{I_d C T}{4C_c}, \quad (40)$$

where C is determined from

$$C = 1 - \frac{T}{dL_p} \left(\frac{R_i}{2} - \frac{L_i}{T} \right) \left. \vphantom{C} \right\} \quad (41)$$

$$R_{peak} = \frac{\frac{L_p}{L_s} L_d + 2(1-d)L_p}{C_a \left(R_d + R_i + \frac{R_d R_i}{R_p} \right)}$$

The symbols in these expressions are the same as above.

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Pulse-Input Rise Time in Pulse Transformer Design

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WHEN PULSE transformers are used in pulse generator circuits, the duration of the output-pulse front depends on the parameters of the pulse transformer, the resistances of the pulse generator and the load, and on the rise time of the input-pulse front.

The rise time used in the design of pulse transformers is determined from the equivalent circuit of the pulse transformer, Fig. 1. Usually it is assumed that a unit step voltage is applied to the circuit.

The equation for the front of the output pulse

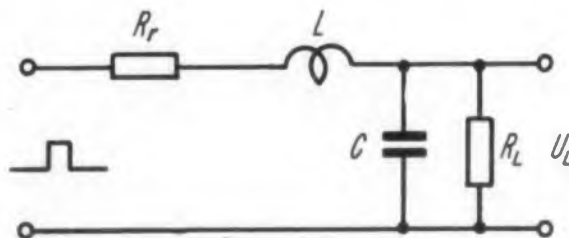


Fig. 1. Pulse transformer equivalent circuit.

contains one variable parameter σ , and is given by the following function of time:

$$U_L(\theta) = \frac{U_g R_L}{R_g + R_L} \left[1 - e^{-\sigma^2 \nu \theta} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\nu} \sin 2\pi \nu \theta + \cos 2\pi \nu \theta \right) \right], \quad (1)$$

where

$$\sigma = \frac{a}{\sqrt{b}}, \quad \theta = \frac{\sqrt{b}}{2\pi} t, \quad \nu = \sqrt{1 - \sigma^2},$$

$$a = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{R_L C} + \frac{R_g}{L} \right), \quad b = \frac{1}{LC} \left(1 + \frac{R_g}{R_L} \right).$$

Here U_L is the load voltage, U_g , the generator voltage, R_L , the load resistance, R_g , the generator resistance, C , the distributed winding capacitance, and L , the leakage inductance.

By plotting $U_L/U_g (1 + R_g/R_L)$ vs. θ for various values of σ , it is possible to select the optimum

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value of σ , satisfying both qualifications of rise time and specified "overshoot" of the input pulse.

Usually σ is chosen to range from 0.7 to 1.2. For specific R_o and R_L , the length of the front (at $b = \text{const}$) diminishes if $\sigma > 0.7$. However, the overshoot of the pulse will exceed $0.05 U_m$, which as a rule is not a recommended load condition. With $\sigma > 1$, there is no overshoot at the peak of the pulse, but the front of the pulse is excessively stretched out.

If a pulse of finite rise time is applied to the transformer input, the transient depends not only on σ , but also on the rate of rise of the input-pulse front. In this case, a value of σ in the range from 0.7 to 1.2 may lead to an undesirable stretching where

$$\delta_0 = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{b}} \delta$$

In this case, the formula for the front of the output pulse contains the variable parameters σ and δ_0 , and is also a function of the time Θ .

The form of the output voltage for different values of σ and δ_0 , is shown in Fig. 2. It is seen from these curves that the longer the wave front of the input pulse (decreasing δ_0), the larger the value of σ that can be used as the design parameter for the pulse transformer. This makes it possible to reduce the length of the output pulse and to stay within the permissible overshoot.

These curves are given for frequently encountered values of σ and δ_0 , and can be used in practical calculations of the front duration and the voltage overshoot of the output pulse.

For pulses with coefficients of δ_0 that differ from those given in the curves, approximate interpolation can be used, of the output pulse front. This is particularly evident if the pulses are generated by two-terminal networks, in which the pulse front duration is approximately 0.1 or 0.2 of the pulse duration.

Consequently, the transient response of the equivalent circuit must be determined, not for a

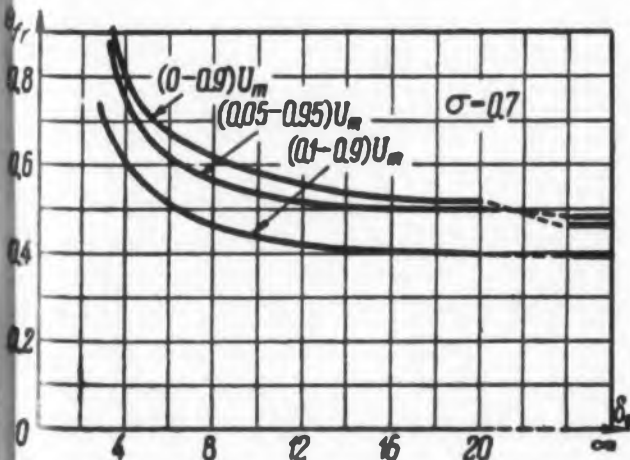


Fig. 3. Output pulse duration vs. δ_0 with $\sigma = 0.7$.

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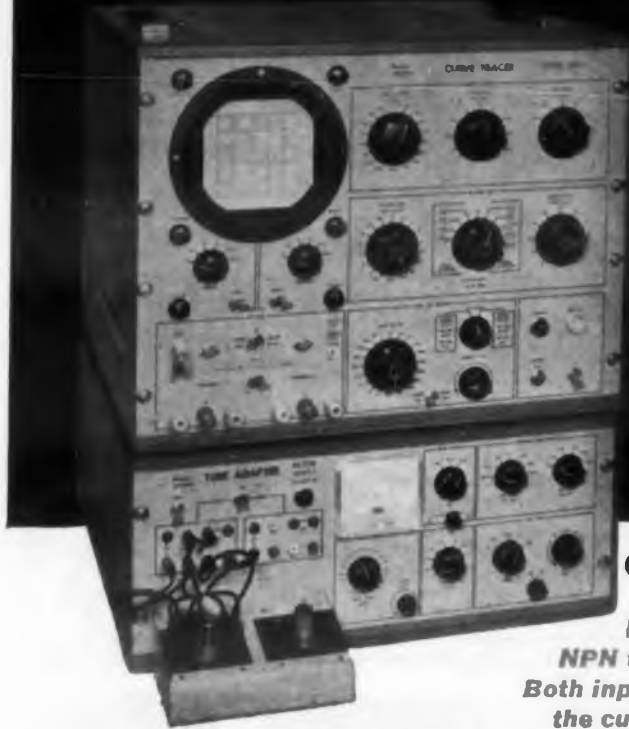
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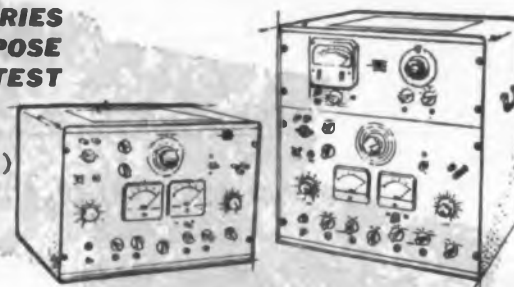
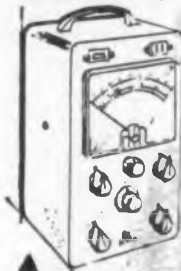


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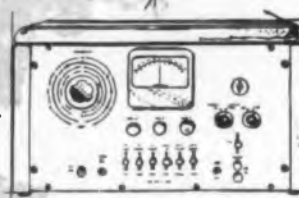
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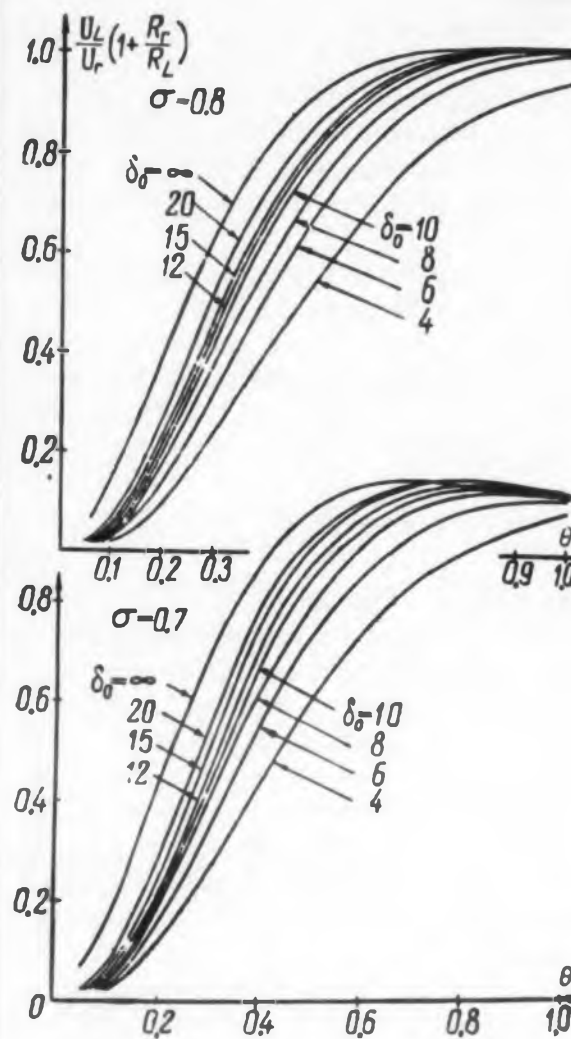


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unit step input, but for an input pulse with a finite rise time. With accuracy sufficient for practical calculations, the front of the input pulse τ_{fr} can be represented by an exponential function $U = U_m(1 - e^{-\delta t})$.

If the front duration is estimated between the levels $(0 - 0.9) U_m$, then $\delta = 2.3/\tau_{fr}$; for $(0.1 - 0.9) U_m \delta = 2.2/\tau_{fr}$, while for $(0.05 - 0.95) U_m \delta = 2.94/\tau_{fr}$. When a voltage varying in accordance with this relation is applied to the equivalent circuit, the wave form of the output can be determined from the formula:

$$U_L(\theta) = \frac{U_0 R_L}{R_L + R_0} \left\{ 1 - \frac{e^{-\sigma 2\pi\theta}}{\delta_0^2 - 4\pi\sigma\delta_0 + 4\pi^2} \right.$$

$$\left. \left[\left(\frac{\sigma}{\nu} \sin 2\pi\nu\theta + \cos 2\pi\nu\theta \right) (\delta_0^2 - 4\pi\sigma\delta_0) + \frac{2\pi\delta_0}{\nu} \sin 2\pi\nu\theta + 4\pi^2 e^{-\theta(\delta_0 - 2\pi\sigma)} \right] \right\}, \quad (2)$$

or else it is possible to plot the dependence of the duration of the output-pulse front Θ_{fr} (in relative units) on δ_0 for various values of σ . Such a plot is shown in Fig. 3 for $\sigma = 0.7$.



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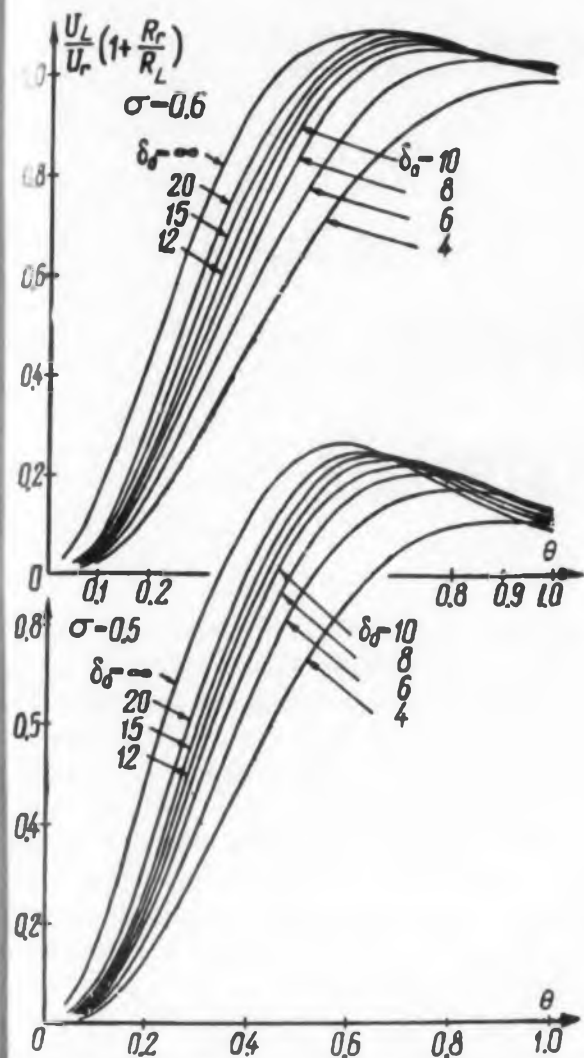


Fig. 2. (Above and opp. page) Pulse transformer output voltage for various values of σ and δ_0 .

with a practical use in determining the optimum value of σ as a function of the rate of rise of the front of the input pulse. To do this would require substantial modification and complication of the methods used for pulse transformer design. This is because the requirements that are made on the front of the output pulse are not unique, but must be reconciled with requirements concerning the voltage droop on the flat part of the pulse, losses, transformer size, etc. In the present article, therefore, the determination of the front duration and of the voltage overshoot are limited to a verification based on the usual graphical calculation of the value of σ . This calculation takes into account the finite rise time of the input-pulse front, and chooses σ so that it satisfies the requirements imposed on the output-pulse front.

A computation of the transformer output voltage waveform, taking into account the finite rise time of the input pulse front, gave good agreement with experimental observation.

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Microwave Drying of Dielectric Materials

DIELECTRIC strips and foils, such as printed or impregnated paper or fabric, can be efficiently dried by microwave frequencies. To avoid exceeding the dielectric strength of the material, the strip is drawn through a meandering waveguide arrangement, shown in Fig. 1. The material moves so that its driest portion passes over the input section of the guide and its wettest portion enters at the load end, where the field is weakest. Because of the variation of dielectric constant with drying, the power absorption, at a frequency of 2.4 kmc, for example, per section of waveguide, is approximately constant.

The slot in the waveguide for the dominant

mode (H_{10} mode) is cut at the midpoint of the larger dimension of the rectangular guide, exactly as in a "slotted" section. When the moisture content of the material is large enough to absorb all the microwave power, the waveguide arrangement can be terminated in a short-circuit. Efficiency as a function of moisture content is shown in Fig. 2 for the eight section arrangement of Fig. 1. Moisture content as a function of number of waveguide sections is shown in Fig. 3, with fabric speed as a parameter.

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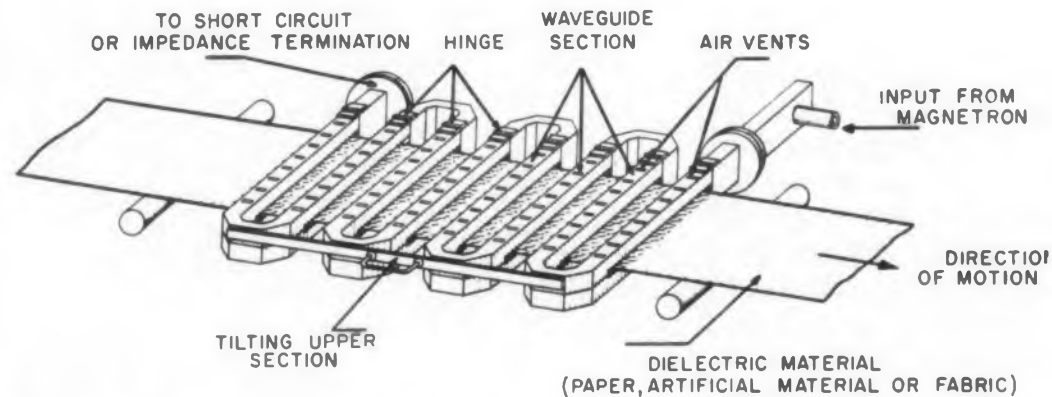


Fig. 1. The dielectric material is drawn through a meandering waveguide system, absorbing varying amounts of microwave power.

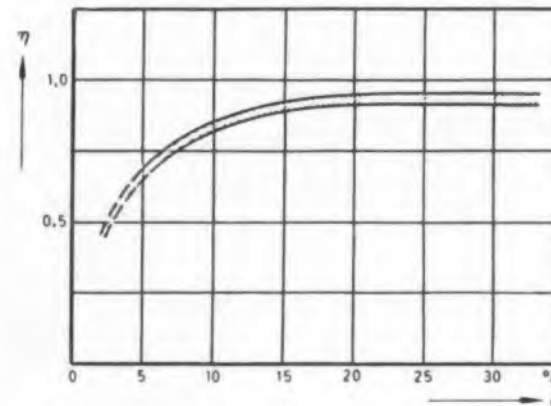


Fig. 2. Efficiency, η , as a function of moisture content, H , for a cotton strip 500 mm x 0.5 mm.

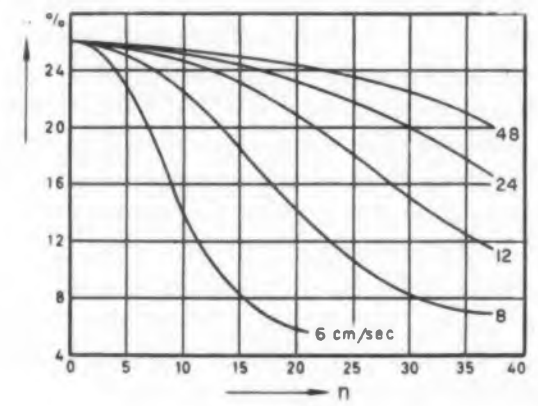


Fig. 3. Moisture content H , as a function of number of sections n , with pull-through speed as a parameter. The width of the material was 500 mm; microwave power input, 2.5 kw.

Testing Linear Low-Pass Networks

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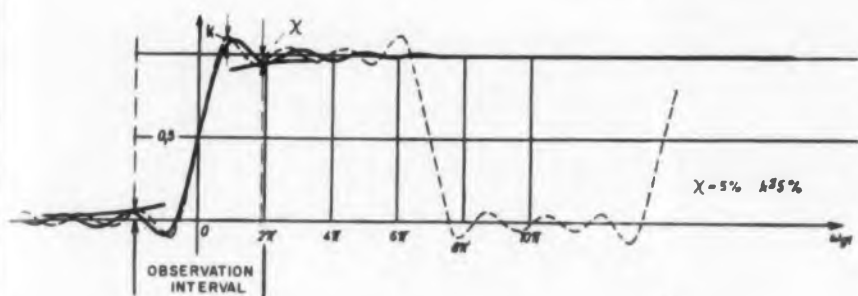
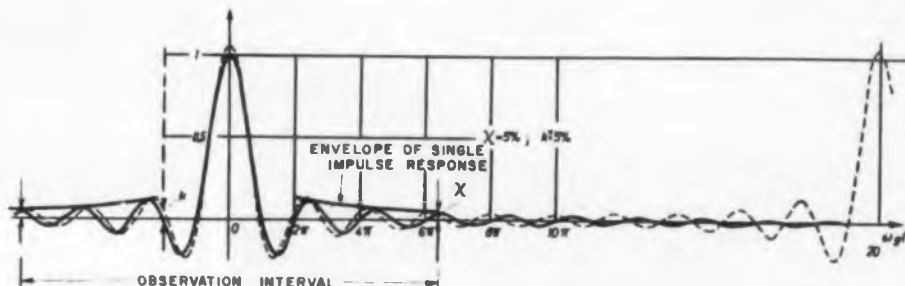


Fig. 1a. Step-response (solid line) and square-wave response of an ideal low-pass filter.

Fig. 1b. Response to impulse and to impulse train (dotted) of an ideal low-pass filter.



SQUARE WAVES or periodic pulses are commonly used laboratory signals for examining network behavior. To determine the response of the network to a single pulse or step, the repetition rate of the periodic signal must be low enough so that the observable effect of the preceding pulse is negligible. Using an "ideal" low-pass filter as a model (constant gain and constant time delay in the passband, infinite attenuation above the cut-off frequency), the response to a symmetrical square wave compared to the step response is shown in Fig. 1a. The response to a periodic impulse train compared to the single impulse response is shown in Fig. 1b. Using analytical results for the ideal filter, numerical criteria relating certain error parameters to the repetition frequency can be established. Also, it can be shown, both analytically and experimentally, that these criteria are applicable to physically realizable filter networks with negligible error.

To compare square wave with step response, the quarter cycle of the waveform, which includes the rise of the leading edge, is observed, Fig. 1a. The difference between the envelope, along which the step response approaches steady state, and the steady state value is denoted by x . The difference between step and square wave response is measured by the corresponding maximum fractional envelope difference, k . If $k \leq x$ then the repetition frequency f is related to the cut-off frequency f_c by the approximate relationship $f \approx \pi k_{max} f_c$.

The rise-time with periodic square waves, T_R , is related to the rise time with a step input, T_{RO} , by the approximate formula

$$T_R = T_{RO} \frac{f_c}{f_c + f}$$

When narrow pulses are used to test the net-

work, the result of the impulse calculation is applicable. In this case, x is defined as the fraction of peak pulse output to which the envelope has decayed with an impulse input, and k is the difference between x and the envelope decay with a periodic input. The observation time is half the repetition period. Denoting by n the ratio of repetition frequency to cut-off frequency, the maximum error, k , is shown as a function of $2\pi f_c t$, with n as a parameter in Fig. 2. For $k \leq x$ the repetition frequency is related to cut-off frequency f_c by the approximate formula $f \approx 2k_{max} f_c$.

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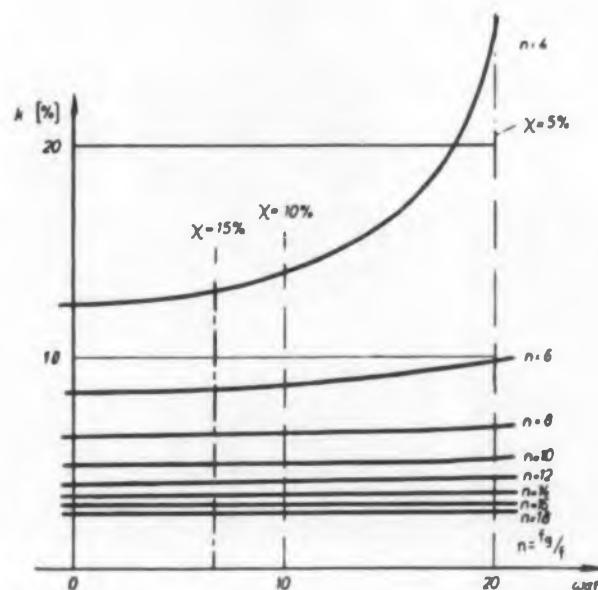


Fig. 2. Maximum envelope differential between the response to a single impulse and to periodic impulses of an ideal low-pass filter.

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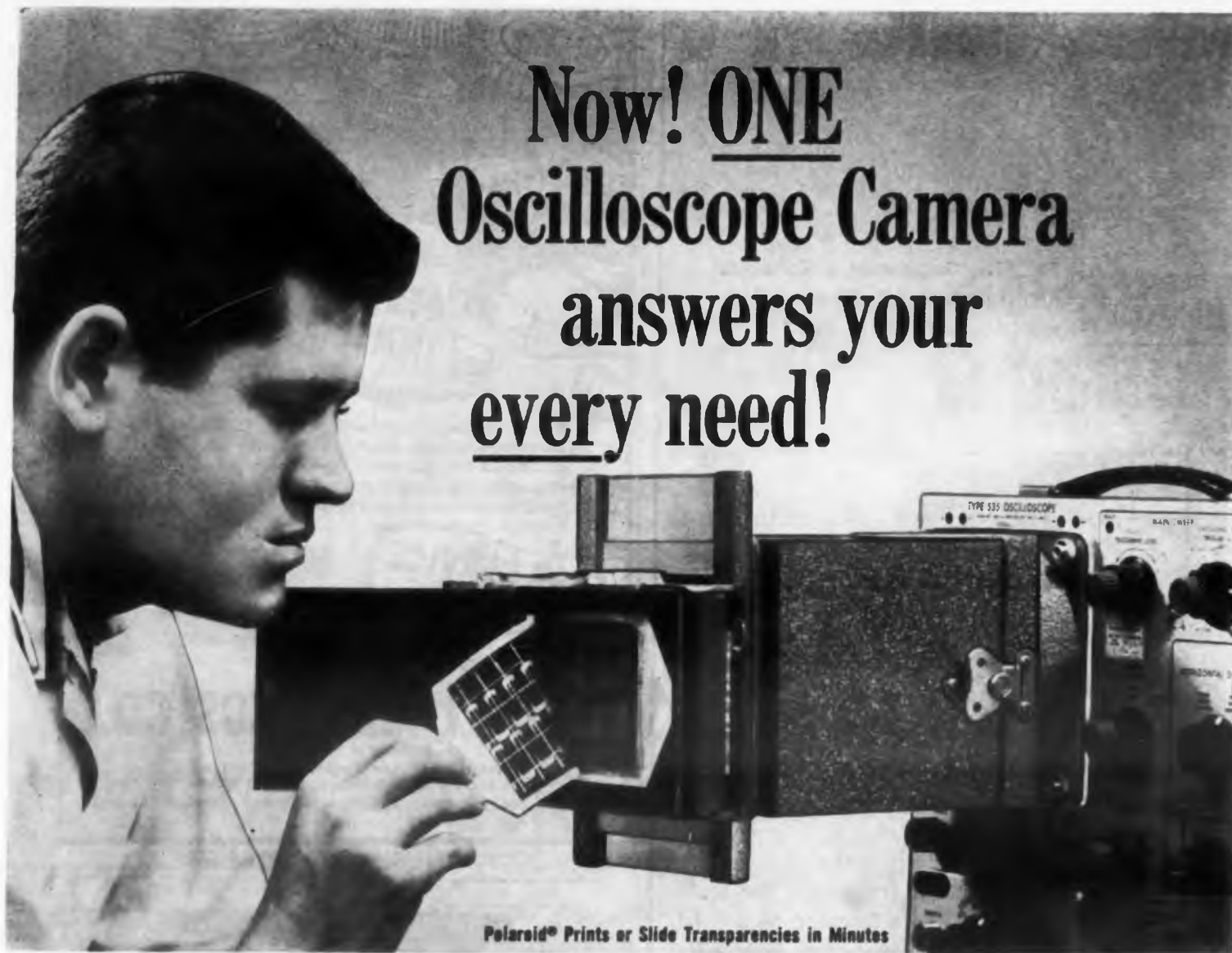


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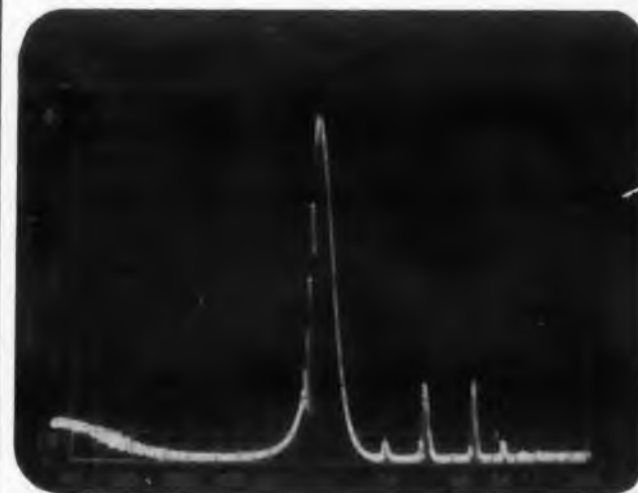


Fig. 1a. A power amplifier was driven almost to its clipping level at 1 kc. Visible are the 2nd harmonic at 2 kc at -40 db, or 1 per cent distortion, and the 3rd and 5th harmonics at -31 db, or 3 per cent distortion. Several higher order odd harmonics are also visible at very low amplitude levels.

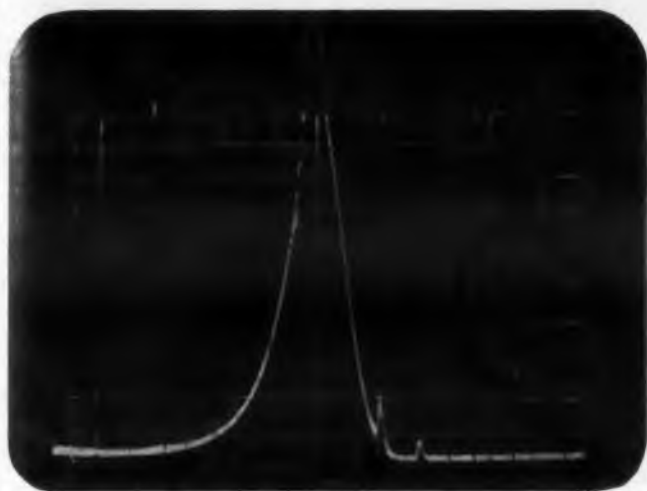


Fig. 1b. The amplifier was driven well below its clipping level. The fundamental tone was deflected 20 db over full scale to show the low-level harmonics. Visible are the 2nd harmonic at -52 db, or 0.25 per cent distortion and the 3rd harmonic at -60 db, or 0.1 per cent distortion.

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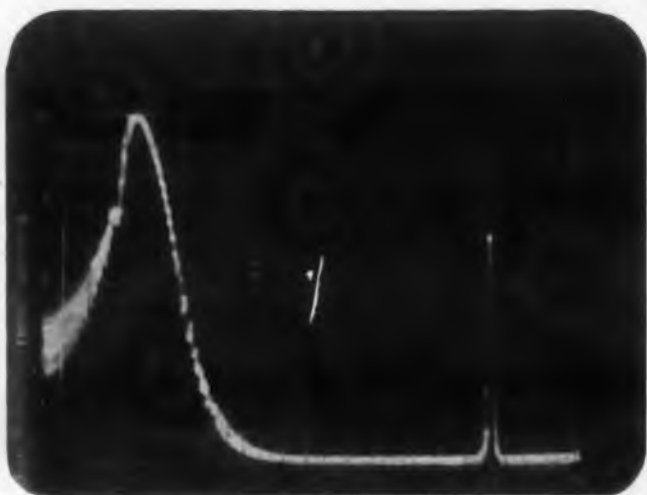
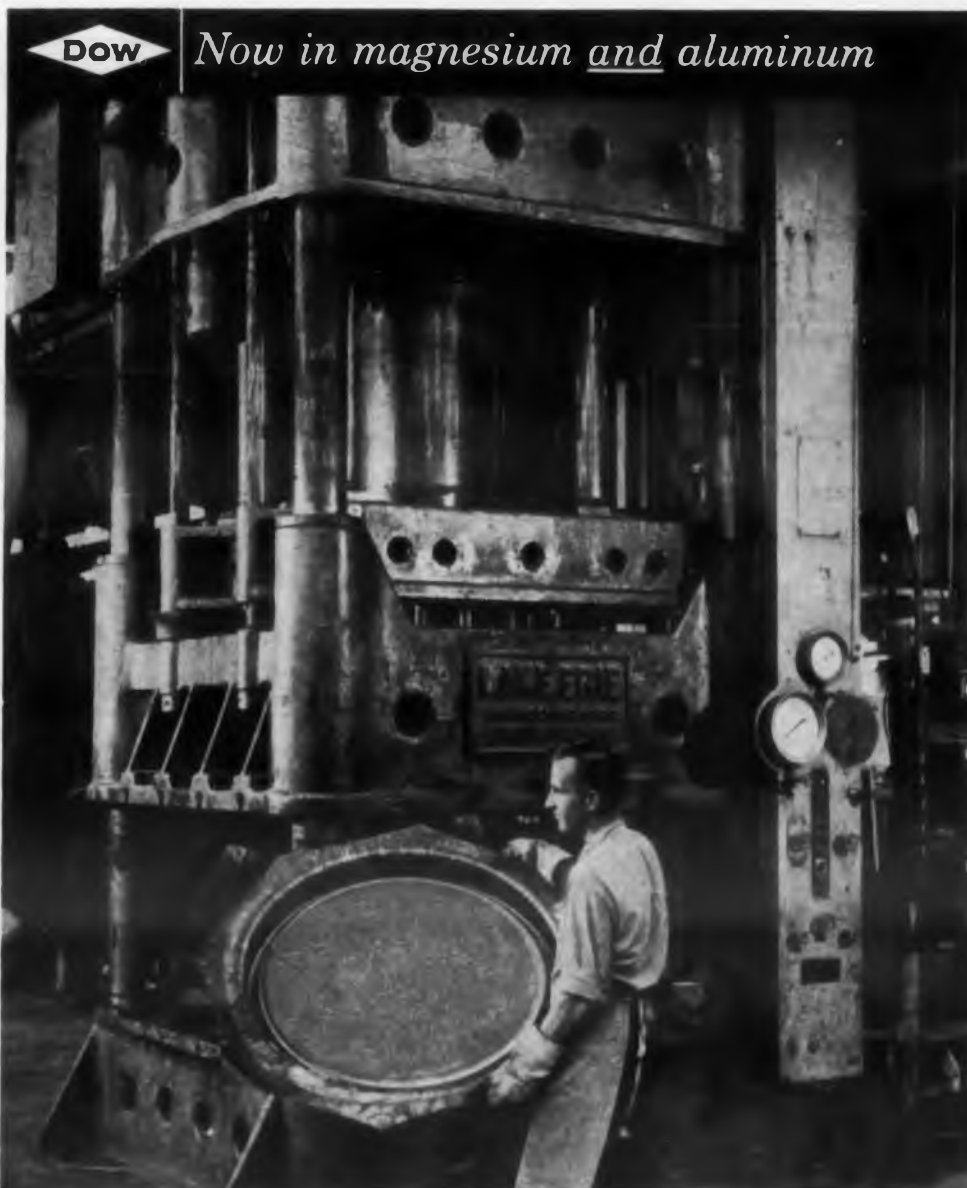


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Fig. 2b. Using the same test frequencies as in Fig. 2a, the analyzer was set for a 200 cps linear-sweep to bring the 7-kc carrier to full scale deflection. Sidebands now appear at -31 db or 2.8 per cent of the carrier level. Since the ratio of sideband to carrier amplitude is half the modulation percentage, the IM distortion is 5.6 per cent.

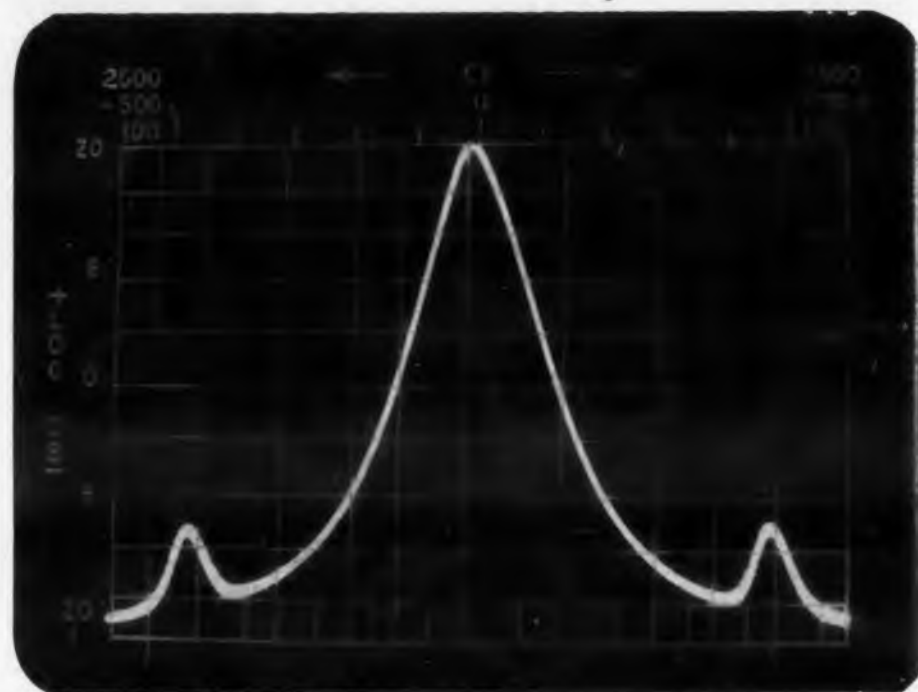
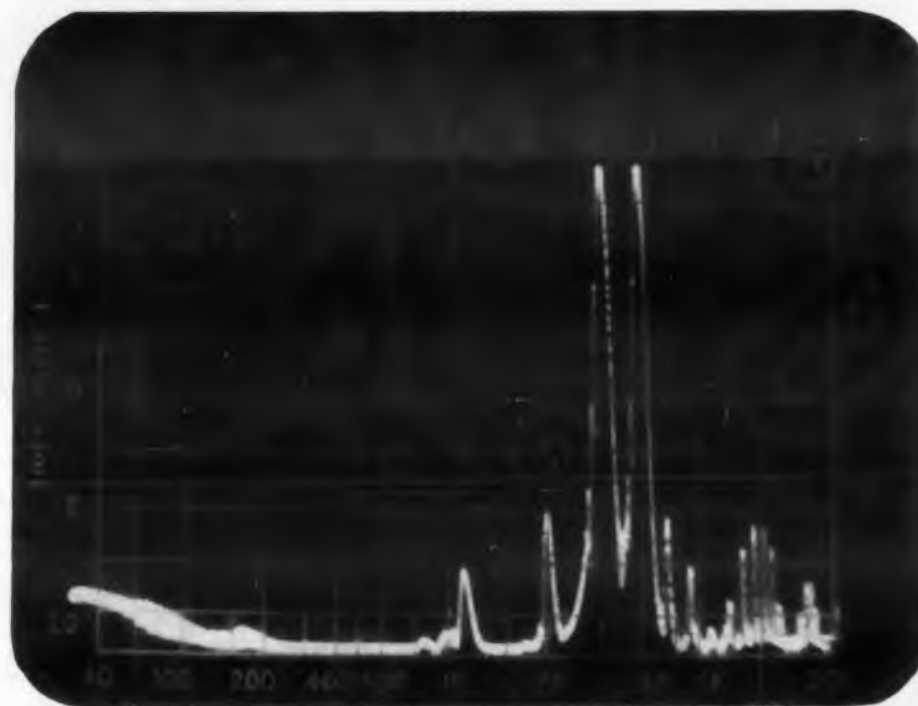


Fig. 2c. Two equal amplitude signals—one at 3 kc, the other at 4 kc—were passed through a power amplifier. The difference tone near 1 kc is clearly visible some 34 db below the two-tone level. Also visible are third order distortions near 2 kc and 5 kc, as well as test frequency harmonics and various harmonic cross-products.



Loudspeaker Response Tracing

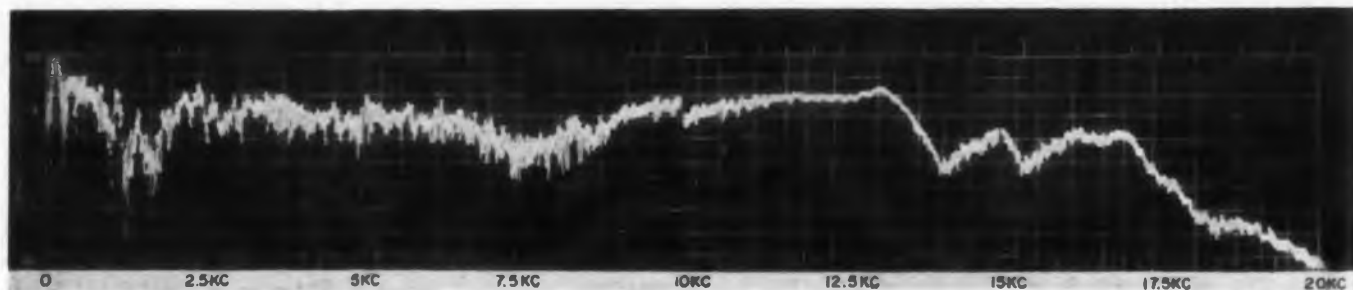


Fig. 3a. A composite of four screen photos show the 20-20,000-cps response of a speaker system. The analyzer was set at a 5-kc linear-sweep width, at center frequencies of 2.5 kc, 7.5 kc, 12.5 kc and 17.5 kc. A Panoramic Triangular Wave Generator produced a sweep duration of 10 sec for each 5000 cycle segment. Ambient noise is seen to roughen the trace.

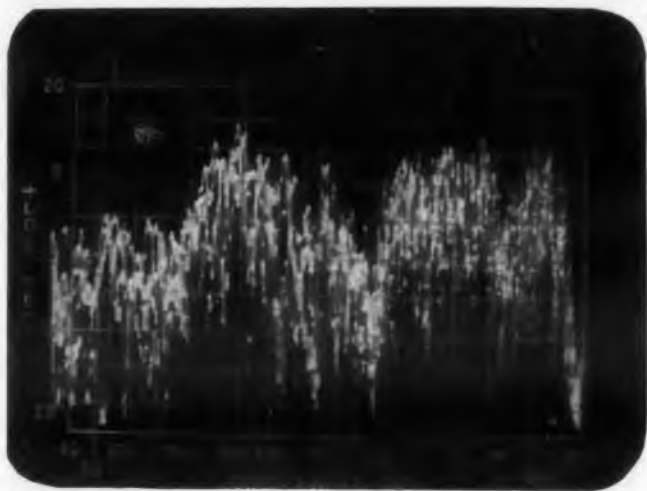


Fig. 3b. Loudspeaker frequency response can also be measured with a white noise test signal. In order to average out the random amplitude variations of the noise signal, the photograph exposure covered about 15 sweeps. It is seen that the single line displays obtained in the sweep frequency test are much easier to read and interpret than a noise spectrum analysis.

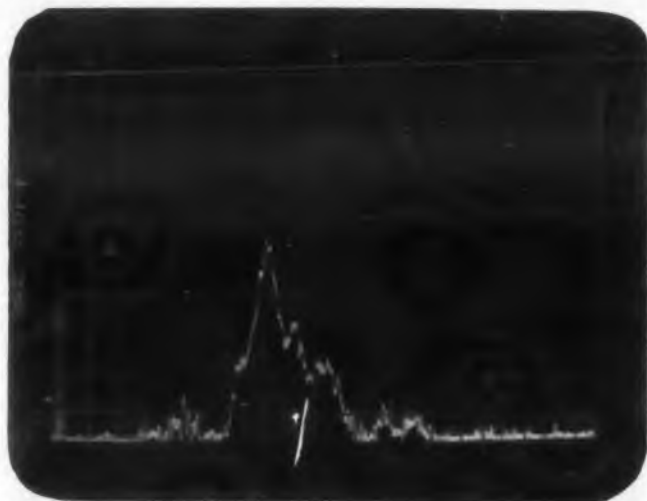


Fig. 3c. The IM distortion of a speaker for two equal amplitude test tones is plotted here versus the test-tone frequency. The test tones were set for a 90-cps frequency difference and were swept synchronously through the audio spectrum. By discretely varying the difference frequency, the distortion properties of the speaker over its bandwidth can be investigated.



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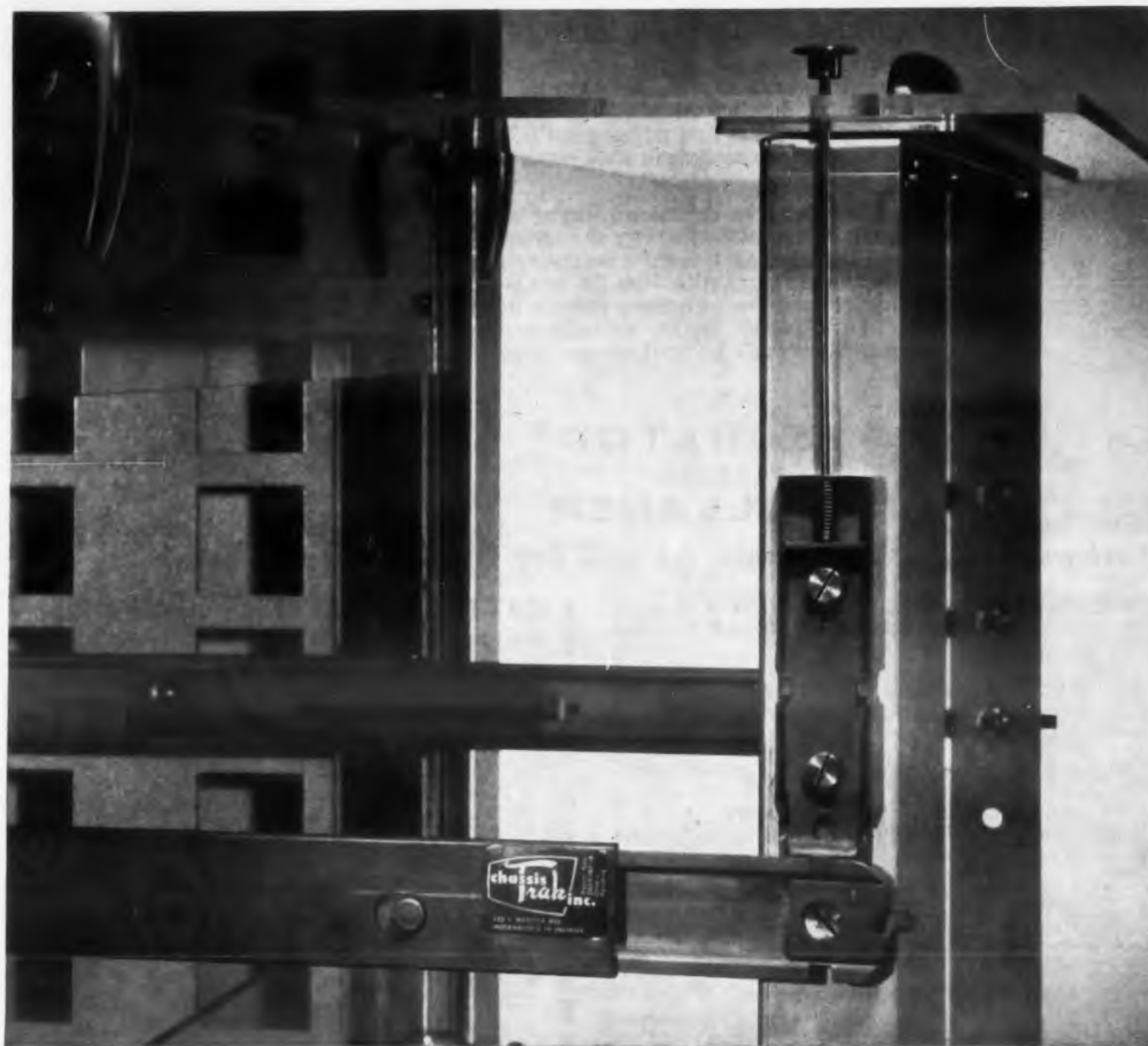
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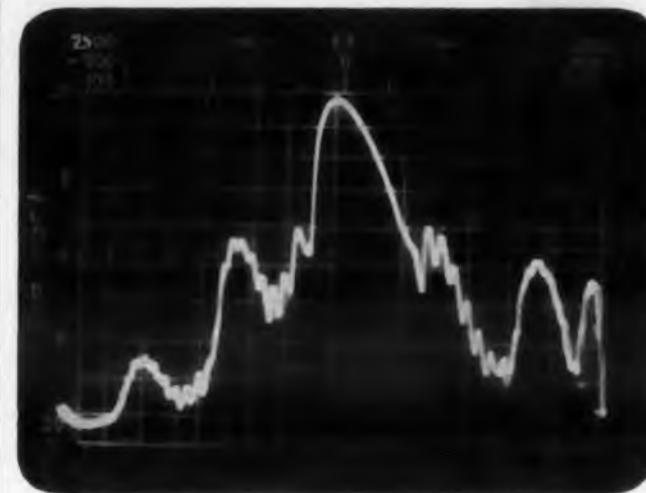


Fig. 3d. Speaker "Doppler distortion" is demonstrated when a speaker is driven with two, very unequal amplitude tones. Here, a 1000-cps tone was mixed with a very large amplitude 45-cps signal. The analyzer was centered at 1000 cps with a 200-cps sweep width and shows ± 45 and ± 90 cps sidebands of 1 kc. The fact that the 1090-cps sideband is greater in amplitude than the 910-cps sideband indicates the presence of combined amplitude and frequency modulation in the output signal.

Tape Recorder and Phono-Cartridge Testing

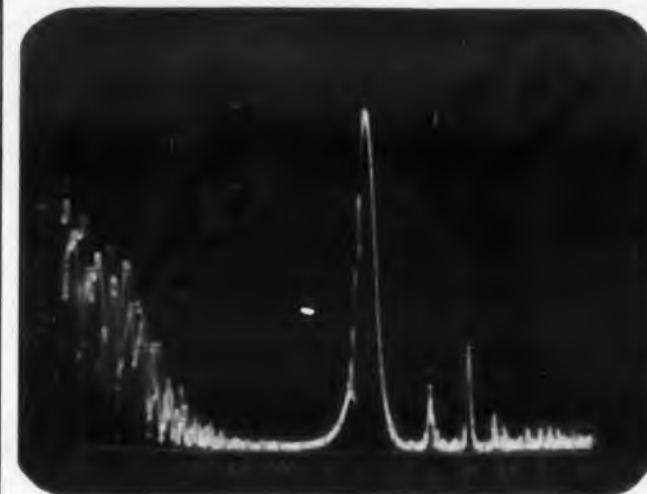


Fig. 4a. Evaluation of a phono-cartridge was made here with a single frequency, 1.5-kc test recording. Visible are the fundamental and harmonic distortion components. However the inherent distortion of the record is not distinguished from that of the pickup.

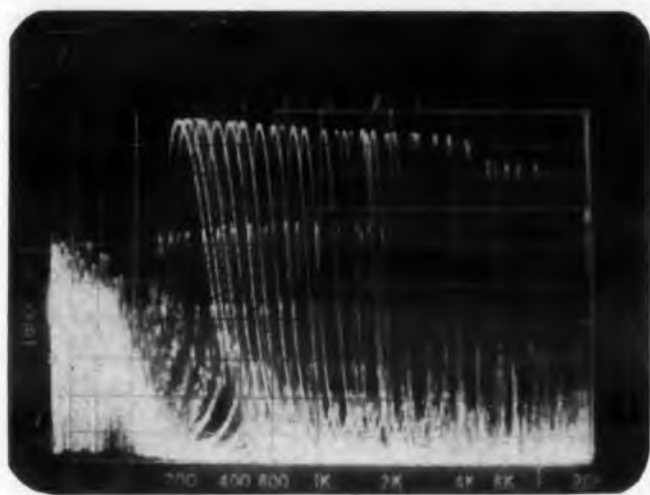


Fig. 4b. An analysis of a phono-frequency test record was made in this display. The sweep rate of the analyzer was set at 1 cps through its frequency band. A hummy test set up can obscure the display as is apparent for frequencies below about 200 cps.

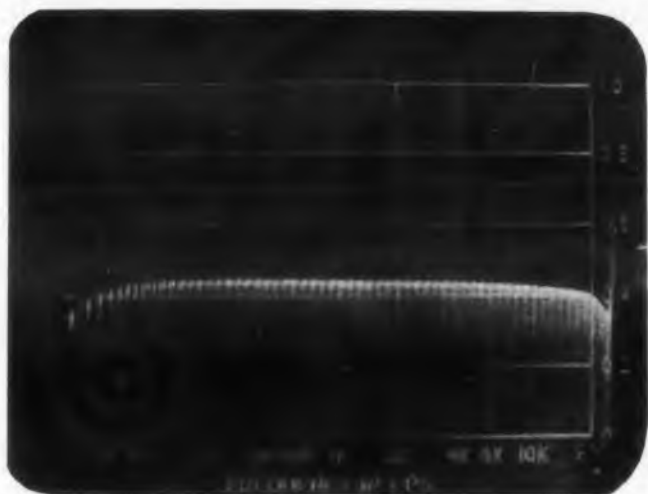


Fig. 4c. The frequency responses of a professional quality tape recorder was displayed using a sweep frequency recording. When the recording reaches its upper frequency limit, there is a "fly-back" period and the frequency returns to its lower frequency limit. To re-establish the sweep frequency calibration, a synchronizing pulse is superimposed on the high frequency end of the recording. This pulse is visible at the extreme right of the display.

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PHOTOTRANSISTORS can be used in a wide variety of circuits where light is to activate electronic equipment. Four quantities are usually of interest to the designer working with these light sensitive devices. These are the phototransistor's:

1. Light sensitivity
2. Chopped light frequency response
3. Photo-spectral response
4. Noise response.

Light Sensitivity

The light sensitivity of a phototransistor is specified in microamperes per ft-c and can be measured with the circuit shown in Fig. 1. The light source is a 40-w, inside-frosted, incandescent lamp (GE type 40W A19), operated at a rated 120 v. This lamp emits 475 lumens and is equivalent to 33.4 cp. The chopped light sensitivity is given by:

$$S = \frac{2 V_C}{F_C R_L}$$

where S is the sensitivity in microamperes per ft-c, R_L is the collector load resistance, F_C is in ft-c, V_C is the meter reading in millivolts. Note that $2V_C$ converts the rms value of the square wave

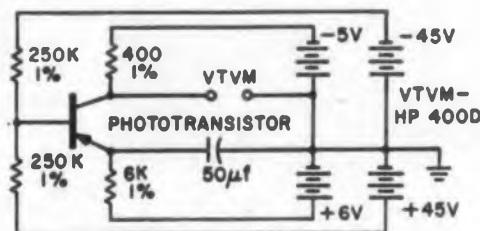


Fig. 1. Circuit for measuring chopped light sensitivity of a phototransistor.

to peak to peak voltage.

Junction sensitivity is measured in the same fashion except that the base is bypassed to ground and the emitter bypass capacitor is omitted.

For convenience, an incandescent lamp was used in measuring the "apparent" sensitivity of the phototransistor. It should be noted that the emission spectrum of this light source is not uniform over the acceptance band of germanium.

Chopped Light Frequency Response

When used in circuitry similar to that in which current sensitivity is measured (open base and shorted output), the response will be three db down at F_{ao} or F_{ab}/h_f . The condition described here is one closely approximated by a phototransistor followed by a transistor amplifier, with low impedance input. Flat response can be expected to about 15 kc with fall-off beyond 20 kc at the rate of six db per octave.

Photo-Spectral Response

The response of a photo-conductor to light excitation to a first order approximation is a function of the following considerations:

1) n_c , the number of conductive pairs which is proportional to n , the number of photons with energy greater than the threshold energy (that is, the energy gap between the valence and the conduction bands).

$$2) n = \frac{I}{h\gamma}, \text{ where } I \text{ is the light energy, } h \text{ is}$$

Planck's constant, γ = frequency (cps)

$$n_c \approx \frac{I}{h\gamma} = \frac{I}{k} \lambda, \text{ where } \lambda \text{ is wavelength.}$$

To describe the functional dependence of n_c on wavelength and light intensity, we must either

normalize the intensity or the number of photons while varying the wavelength. These responses are also functions of the absorption and admittance characteristics of the transparent enclosures.

Noise Considerations

It is convenient to think of phototransistor noise in terms of equivalent illumination, for example, the amount of masking light signal. This signal may be calculated from the noise figure of the transistor and referred back to the base as equivalent illumination. The rms noise voltage reference is $0.05 \mu\text{v}$ for a 100-cycle bandwidth and an assumed input resistance, R , of 1500 ohms. The noise voltage:

$$e_n = \sqrt{4KTRR}$$

where K is Boltzman's constant, B is the bandwidth in cycles/sec, T is the temperature in degrees Kelvin, R is the input resistance.

A transistor exhibiting a noise figure of 12 db (taken at 1000 cycles with a 100-cycle bandwidth) would have a noise voltage $e_n = 0.2 \mu\text{v}$ referred to its base. This is equivalent to a base current of e_n/R or $1.33 \times 10^{-4} \mu\text{a}$.

The amount of light required to produce an equal base current would then be determined by dividing this current by the junction light sensitivity.

$$\frac{i_b \text{ (Noise base current) in } \mu\text{a (rms)}}{\text{Junction sensitivity in } \mu\text{a}/F_c \text{ (rms)}}$$

A typical value of junction sensitivity is $0.12 \mu\text{a}/F_c$. In rms terms this is:

$$\frac{0.12}{2\sqrt{2}} \mu\text{a}/F_c = 0.043 \mu\text{a}/F_c$$

The equivalent noise illumination I_{eq} is:

$$I_{eq} = \frac{1.33 \times 10^{-4} \mu\text{a}}{0.043 \mu\text{a}/F_c} = 3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ ft-c}$$

Similarly this same transistor operating with a one cycle bandwidth would have an equivalent noise illumination of $3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ ft-c}$.

Circuit Applications

Phototransistors have sometimes been called "light tetrodes" because carriers may be injected into the base by (1) signal voltage applied to the base lead as with any other transistor, or (2) by light energy falling on the base. The two conditions may exist together or separately.

In order that the phototransistor be utilized in its most sensitive configuration the base should be open-circuited or as close to this condition as possible. Fig. 2 shows the effect of an external base resistance, such as a bias network, on the short circuit light sensitivity.

It must be noted that the open base condition

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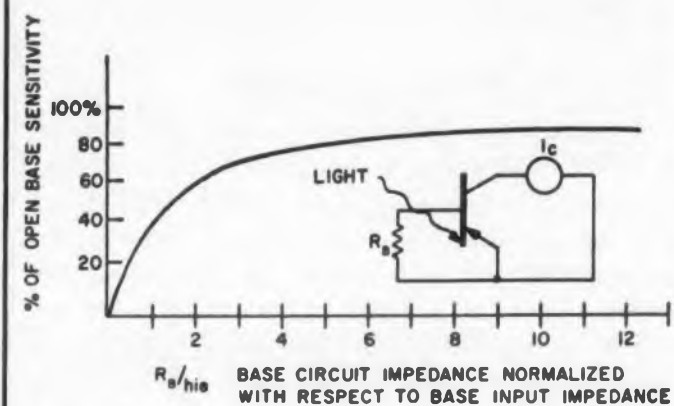


Fig. 2. Light sensitivity as a function of base circuit impedance. The base circuit impedance has been normalized with respect to base input impedance.

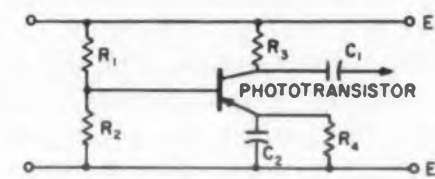


Fig. 3. Phototransistor chopped light transducer suitable for translating varying light into equivalent electrical signals.

is temperature-unstable and the same care must be taken in the biasing of the stage as with other types of transistor amplifiers. Proper operation is a compromise, therefore, between sensitivity and stability. Circuit applications may be divided into two groups. The first group translates varying light, or pulses of light, into equivalent electrical signals. The second group activates switches according to the presence or absence of light. An example of the first group of circuits is shown in Fig. 3. The accompanying table lists practical circuit parameters for amplifier loads of:

- High input impedance
- Moderate input impedance
- Low input impedance.

Fig. 4 is an example of a circuit which when it is activated by light turns a normally on relay off.

Parameters for

| Load | R ₁ | R ₂ | R ₃ | R ₄ |
|------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| a) | 250K/1% | 250K/1% | 170K/1% | 170K/1% |
| b) | 25K | 25K | 25K | 36K |
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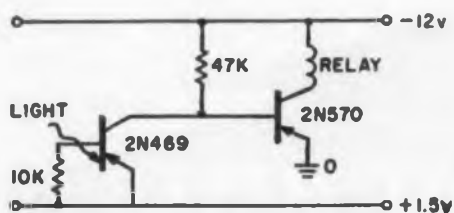


Fig. 4. Phototransistor circuit designed to turn a normally activated relay off.

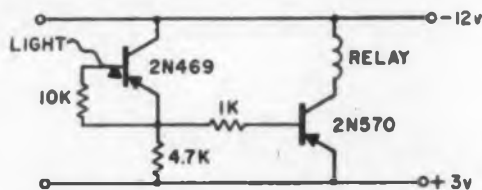


Fig. 5. Phototransistor circuit designed to turn a normally off relay on.

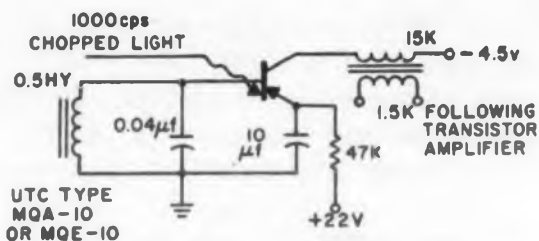


Fig. 6. Phototransistor circuit designed to operate in the presence of high ambient light from a 1000-cps chopped light source.

Fig. 5 turns a normally off relay on.

Where operation in the presence of high ambient light is required, the circuit of Fig. 6 is useful, especially in the single frequency case.

High resistance in the emitter circuit degenerates response to unvarying ambient light. The tuned circuit in the base degenerates response at frequencies other than that to which it is tuned. The capacitor would be omitted for operation over a wide frequency band.

Low collector circuit resistance will reduce the possibility of the transistor going into saturation although care must be taken that dissipation will be within safe limits.

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the Circuit of Fig. 3

| R_1 | R_2 | C_1 | C_2^* | E_c | E_b |
|--------|--------|-------------|------------|-------|-------|
| 70K/1% | 10K/1% | .02 μ f | 50 μ f | 0V | +150V |
| 25K | 36K | 5.0 μ f | 50 μ f | -25V | 0V |
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Antenna System for Very Low Radio Frequencies

The theoretical antenna problem was solved using a normal mode expansion of the current distribution. A matrix method was developed to compute the current distribution of a thin, linear antenna loaded with lumped-circuit elements. A digital computer was used to solve the matrix equations. Results were obtained for a full-wave linear antenna symmetrically loaded with real impedances Z_0 , one half wavelength apart. Current distributions, feedpoint impedances, radiation patterns, etc., are presented as functions of Z_0 . Results of the idealized problem are applied to the power-line antenna. The matrix method can also be extended to the general linear antenna with any type of loading or feeding. System components and performance of the Dinkey Creek power-line antenna are described. The problem of interference with nearby audio-frequency communication systems is examined. A *New Transmitting Antenna System for Very Low Radio Frequencies*, Willard Van Tuyl Rusch, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, Calif., June 26, 1959, 167 pp, Microfilm \$7.80, Photocopy \$25.80. Order PB 142988 from Library of Congress, Washington 25, D. C.

Ultra-High Temperature Resistors

This report covers the development of a suitable design for a one watt resistor capable of operation at temperatures from -65 deg C to $+500$ deg C in nuclear radiation environments for extended periods of time. The work was devoted to refining the electrical properties and design of the resistor. It was demonstrated that high alumina ceramics were necessary to minimize large non-uniform resistance changes occurring over uniform temperature increments to $+500$ deg C. A number of terminal material compositions were examined for applicability in ultra-high temperature operation. Investigation of various metal oxide films revealed that a 7.5 per cent Sb_2O_4 : 92.5 percent SnO_2 composition possessed a near zero temperature coefficient of resistance over broad temperature range and the most desirable electrical characteristics. A suitable insulating coating, composed of flame deposited aluminum oxide, was utilized in this application without undesirable effects on resistor properties. Radiation tests were made on a variety of modified tin oxide resistors at $+500$ deg C for 1500 hours under high intensity nuclear radiation. *Resistors, Fixed, Ultra-High Temperature, Radiation Resistant*, David R. Sivertsen, P. R. Mallory and Co., Inc., Indianapolis, Ind., July, 1959, 47 pp, \$1.25. Order PB 161081 from OTS, Washington 25, D.C.

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Two techniques have been developed for constructing microelectronic transistorized modules. The first uses etched wiring boards and standard subminiature components. The second technique gives a greater than ten to one volume reduction over the first by incorporating an uncased transistor directly into a printed circuit ceramic plate. The degree of reduction is such that optical aids must be used in constructing and inspecting the circuitry. A new term, microelectronics, has been selected to embrace the latter technique as well as related efforts in system design, power supplies, etc. *Microelectronics: An Introduction And A Status Report*, T. A. Prugh, *Diamond Ordnance Fuze Laboratories, Washington, D.C.*, Nov. 1, 1957, 11 pp, Microfilm \$2.40, Photocopy \$3.30. Order PB 143566 from Library of Congress, Washington 25, D.C.

Narrow-Band Amplifiers

A method for the design of multi-stage, narrow-band amplifiers employing general active two-port devices as amplifying elements is presented. The stability of the amplifier is controlled by means of its input and output conductance levels, rather than by neutralization. The main characteristic of this paper is a theoretical exposition of the functional dependence of the transducer gain of a multi-stage, narrow-band, iterative amplifier upon its interstage network, and upon the input and output terminations. A complete analysis of the transducer gain of the amplifier is included. *Multi-Stage, Narrow-Band Amplifiers Employing Non-Unilateral Electron Devices*, M. Lim, *Stanford Electronics Laboratories, Stanford University, Palo Alto, Calif.*, Feb. 11, 1958, 121 pp, Microfilm \$6.30, Photocopy \$19.80. Order PB 138708 from Library of Congress, Washington 25, D.C.

Miniaturized Trimmer Capacitors

The objective of this study was to develop a highly stable, miniaturized line of trimmer capacitors to replace the variety of existing types. These capacitors were to exhibit good temperature and mechanical stability, and a high order of ruggedness and reliability under the environmental conditions encountered by military communications equipment. This report is a condensation of the three previous reports. It contains the results of the samples tested, the results of the dielectric material survey, and the recommended designs for the ten capacitors as requested in the contractual requirements. *High Stability Miniaturized Trimmer Capacitors*, C. W. Everhart and B. L. Borman, *P. R. Mallory and Co., Indianapolis, Ind.*, Oct. 15, 1955-Oct. 15, 1956, 76 pp, Microfilm \$4.50, Photocopy \$12.30. Order PB 143301 from Library of Congress, Washington 25, D.C.



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Processing Taped Data

This report describes Telemag, a system which is used to process test data which may have been recorded on magnetic tape in the test vehicle, telemetered to a ground station or the Telemag and recorded, or telemetered and fed directly to Telemag. The report also presents a brief review of some telemetry and magnetic tape data recording techniques. The last two chapters deal respectively with the actions to be taken to best utilize Telemag and plans for expanding its facilities and functions. *Telemag—A System For Processing Test Data Recorded On Magnetic Tape*, James L. Blilie, Air Proving Ground Center, Elgin AFB, Fla., June 1959, 77 pp., Microfilm \$4.50, Photocopy \$12.30. Order PB 143290 from Library of Congress, Washington 25, D. C.

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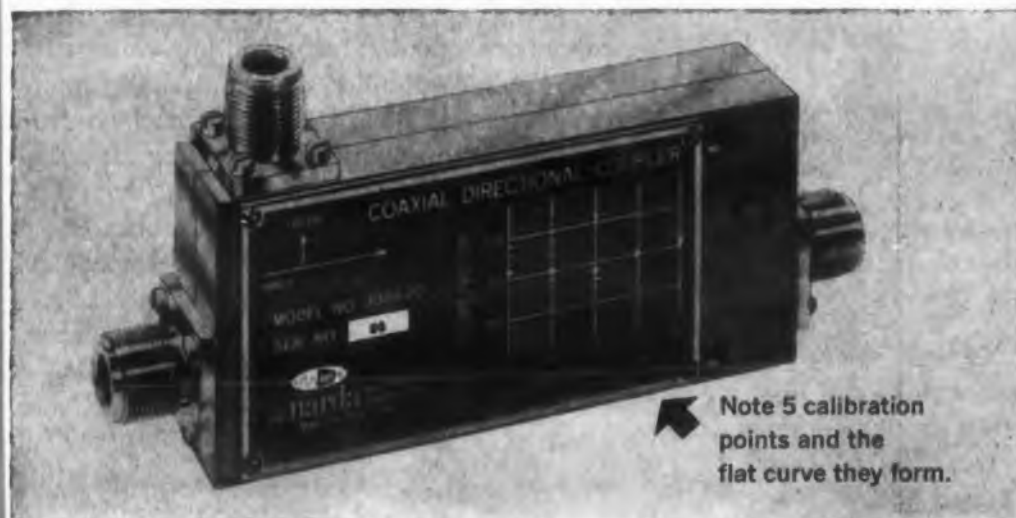
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TRADIC Computer Research

This report summarizes the program for the development of solid-state technology for airborne weapons-control computers. Among the major items covered are: encoding and decoding techniques; two forms of non-destructive program storage; a wide temperature range magnetic core memory system; silicon direct coupled transistor logic; organization of a computer as an aid in trouble location; and programming techniques for the protection of stored constants and error correction in the weapons-control computer. *TRADIC Computer Research (Second Stage)*, J. A. Githens and M. J. Gilmartin, Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc., New York, N.Y., Dec. 1, 1958, 398 pp, Microfilm \$11.10, Photocopy \$60.60. Order PB 143648 from Library of Congress, Washington 25, D.C.

Semiconductor Device Cooling

In addition to an analysis of proper semiconductor cooling techniques, a study has been made of methods of improving fabrication techniques for transistors. The findings, if followed, may enhance the electrical reliability and life-time of semiconductor devices. Also, patent disclosures have been made on a liquid-filled transistor, a Peltier-cooled transistor, and a Peltier-cooled Zener diode. *Study of Methods of Cooling Semiconductor Devices*, James P. Welsh, Cornell Aeronautical Laboratory, Inc., Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 1958-Feb. 1959, 13 pp., Microfilm \$2.40, Photocopy \$3.30. Order PB 142943 from Library of Congress, Washington 25, D.C.



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Activity in Capacitor Standardization is Summarized

There has been a great deal of activity in the field of capacitor standardization recently. MIL-C-11Q15, General Spec for General Purpose Fixed Ceramic-Dielectric Capacitors was revised as issue B. This issue superseded MIL-C-11015A, MIL-C-19321(Ships) and MIL-C-19683(Ships). These capacitors are primarily for use in applications where appreciable variations in capacitance with respect to temperature, voltage, frequency, and life can be tolerated. Also recently issued was MIL-C-21720A(Navy) covering polarized, tantalum, solid electrolytic, and fixed capacitors. These capacitors are intended for use in low-voltage applications where stability, size, and shelf life are important factors. Polarized tantalum electrolytic fixed capacitors primarily designed for filter, bypass and coupler use with a high degree of reliability are covered by RS-228 (October 1959) released by the Electronic Industries Association, 11 W. 42 St., New York 36, N.Y.; price \$1.65.

The general spec covering fixed mica-dielectric capacitors was revised by amendment 1, MIL-C-5B (8 October 1959). In addition, 13-detail spec requirements were revised. MIL-C-20 was revised as issue C. This is a spec covering temperature compensating fixed ceramic dielectric capacitors. Four new disk styles of capacitors were added by this revision.

Plastic Jacket

The use of flexible polyamide (nylon) molding plastic for jacketing is established by this spec. This material is specified for use in applications requiring high strength and flexibility. MIL-M-22096, Molding Plastic, Polyamide (Nylon), Flexible.

Test Procedure For Magnetic Amplifiers Proposed

AIEE has released a proposed test procedure for magnetic amplifiers. Covered in this publication are general considerations, voltage amplification, current amplification, power amplification, response, and figure of merit. Copies of AIEE No. 433 (November 1959) are available from the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, 33 W. 39 St., New York 18, N.Y.

New Navy Spec Covers Variable, Rectilinear Resistor

The Navy has released a new spec covering a type of variable, rectilinear, miniature resistor whose contact bears uniformly over the surface of the entire resistive element. The contact is positioned by means of a multi-turn, lead-screw actuator. These resistors have a resistance tolerance of $\pm 5\%$ and $\pm 10\%$. The wattage ratings are based on full-load operation of the resistors at 70 C, and are applicable only when the maximum resistance is engaged in the circuit. When only a portion of the resistance is engaged, the wattage rating is reduced in approximately the same proportion as the resistance. MIL-R-2209(NAVY), Resistors, Variable, Rectilinear (Miniature).

Spec Covering Resistor Color Codes Is Revised

The latest revision to MIL-STD-221A has deleted the color coding for composition-type radial-lead resistors. The $\pm 20\%$ tolerance has been deleted from the color code. Standard MIL-STD-174 is referenced for standard colors instead of MIL-STD-104. The requirements in the conflict of colors paragraph has been relaxed by allowing either the resistor body or the band colors to be differentiated by shade or gloss. MIL-STD-221A (1 December 1959), Color Code for Resistors.

Liquid Soldering Flux

This spec covers a non-corrosive rosin-base flux for application as a liquid external to the solid solder. The flux is for primary use in the preparation of solder joints for electric and electronic circuits. The spec does not cover soldering processes, nor materials used in the soldering of mechanical joints that do not also serve within electric and electronic circuits. MIL-F-14256A, Flux, Soldering, Liquid (Rosin Base).

Interchangeable Parts: Some Necessary Definitions Established

Varying definitions and interpretations relative to interchangeability, substitutability, and replaceability, have adversely affected design, procurement, support, maintenance, and production of equipments according to MIL-STD-447. This standard establishes necessary definitions toward achieving the highest practicable degree of uniformity. An interchangeable item is one that possesses functional and physical characteristics equivalent in performance and durability and capable of exchange without alteration. A substitute item is one that can be replaced only under certain conditions. A replacement part is one that requires alterations. MIL-STD-447, Definitions of Interchangeable, substitute, and Replacement Items.



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Exclusive-Or Function Redefined

Dear Sir:

I disagree with the logical definition of an N-input Exclusive-Or function expressed by Mr. Breault and Mr. Morris on pages 174 and 175 of the November 25th issue and also the one expressed by Mr. Maki in "Ideas for Design" of the July 22nd issue. I believe that the output of an Exclusive-Or gate should be true when one and only one input is true.

The common Or-gate is sometimes called Inclusive-Or because it provides an output not only when A or B or C, etc., is true, but also when any combination of inputs is true. Thus it "includes" the redundant functions $AB + BC + AC + ABC$, etc. In contrast, the counter-adjective "Exclusive" would logically imply the special case when only A or B or C, etc., is true; thus it "excludes" the redundant functions. Only when applied in this manner can the words "inclusive" and "exclusive" have a completely descriptive meaning to a logic designer who may not already be familiar with some arbitrarily chosen set of definitions.

The function for a 3-input Exclusive-Or gate should therefore take the form $A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} + \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C$, which when expanded to maxterms is $(\bar{A} + \bar{B} + C)(\bar{A} + B + \bar{C})(A + \bar{B} + \bar{C})(A + B + C)$. From the first expression it is easy to see that the function can be true when one, and only one, input is true.

I agree that the circuit of Breault and Morris is very useful for parity checking and as a full adder sum-output, but it should be labeled as something other than Exclusive-Or.

W. H. Ferwalt
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Current Source Coupling Circuit Modifies Published Design

Dear Sir:

The article by George H. Hall on an "Inter-coupling Circuit for Precision Amplifiers" in ELECTRONIC DESIGN, November 25, 1959, was quite interesting. In his list of alternate coupling methods, Mr. Hall mentions "voltage regulator tube" coupling. A similar coupling method utilizes a

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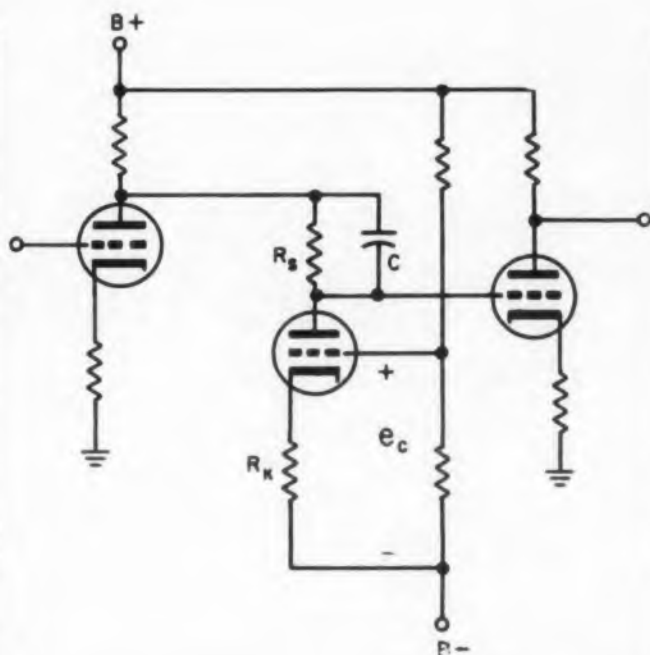
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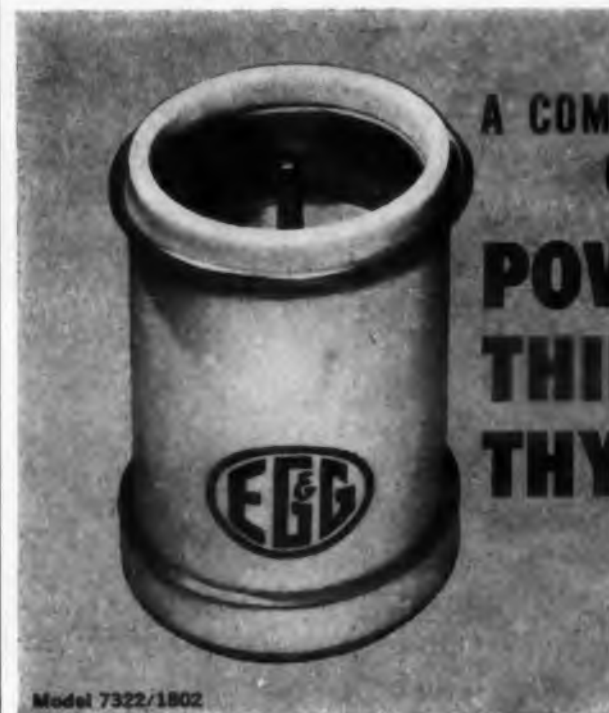
voltage reference diode ("Zener" diode) in place of a voltage regulator tube and does not suffer from the noise problems mentioned by Mr. Hall.

Mr. Hall's circuit exhibits several features which could act as major drawbacks in some applications. One is the need for a battery. Another is the instability of the circuit with respect to tube aging. As the coupling tube ages, that is, as its cathode emission falls, the tube current will change and the coupled voltage will drift. A circuit without these difficulties is shown in the accompanying diagram.

In this circuit the coupling tube is placed in series with a voltage translating resistor R_s and a large cathode resistor R_k . Because of the large cathode resistor, the current through the tube, and therefore the voltage across R_s are held substantially constant regardless of changes in the characteristics of the tube. Voltage variations at one end of R_s are transmitted virtually undiminished to the other end, but with the desired dc translation. The circuit may be thought of incrementally as a voltage divider with a series resistance R_s and a very large shunt resistance equal to $R_k(1 + \mu)$. For dc conditions the shunt resistance equals $R_k + R_p$.

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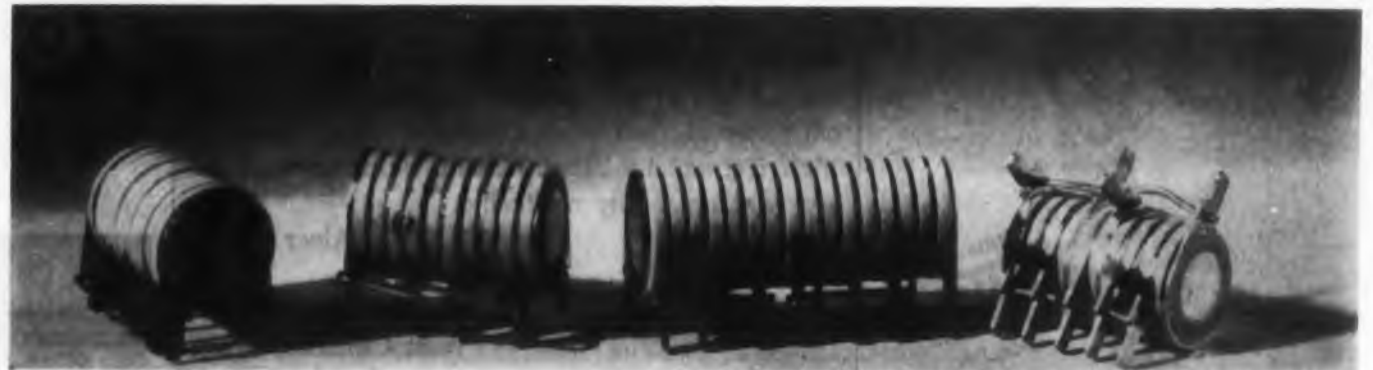
IT IS doubtful that the following advertisement would surprise anyone if it appeared in the leading electronics trade journals:

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It is also doubtful that the ad would produce any replies. Although experience with microminiaturization is abundant in the industry, most of it has been obtained the hard way without benefit of formal education in either electronics and thermodynamics. Certainly the academic degree of BSE-T is unfortunately nonexistent. This is not so much a criticism of the state of the electronics art as an observation that a three-credit course in thermodynamics of internal combustion engines (the conventional college dose in thermodynamics) is considerably less than adequate preparation for today's demands on the electronic

As electronic units shrink, heat problems for the design engineers expand—especially in systems. Typical of components that create the problems are ones like this printed-circuit transistor (small dot on board upper left), developed by an Army researcher to cut the size of electronic "brains" in military equipment. The transistor it replaces is at right.

TIMM's (Thermionic Integrated Micro Modules) differ from conventional packaging concepts in that they confine heat rather than expel it, and put it to work operating vacuum devices. Designed by General Electric, the units comprise the equivalent of conventional transistors, capacitors and resistors.



equipment designer.

In some ways the belated recognition of the thermodynamic factor in electronics is surprising. The relationship between electron control and heat generation is direct, as every electronics designer discovers at some point in his career, whether he deals with transistors, tubes, magamps or cryotrons. The very act of current control implies the application of energy (through a system of less than 100 per cent efficiency), with the consequent dissipation of power and generation of heat. Even if heat were not generated in the control process, it still would be generated when the controlled electron got where it was going, as well as in the process that got it started in the first place.

If the heat problem seems applicable only to electron tubes, consider the possibilities of a transistor with no power dissipation in the emitter, or a parametric amplifier with a lossless pump circuit, or a cryotron with no heat transfer to the refrigerant. Anyway you view it, heatless electronics is no more probable than perpetual motion, since both depend on a 100 per cent efficient system.

Basic Propositions

Heat in the electronic sense is a matter of degree, and the pertinent question is not "Do we have it?" but "How much?" Invariably the answer is "too much," and the question shifts to "What do we do about it?" At the very least the answer calls for examination of some basic propositions:

1. Heat energy is a systems problem.
2. Heat energy and temperature are two different things.
3. Heat is not all "bad."
4. In microminiaturization the thermal and electronic designs are inseparable.

Let us examine these propositions in detail one at a time.

A Systems Problem

First, heat energy is a systems problem. This is an attempt to state that the problems, evaluations and comparisons of heat energy in modern electronic equipment must be dealt with as a systems consideration and evaluated on the basis of the effect on system performance and capability. Let us take a simplified case of equipment A and B, functionally similar but with these differences:

| | A | B |
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It is obvious that equipment B is more efficient when viewed alone, out of context to the system.

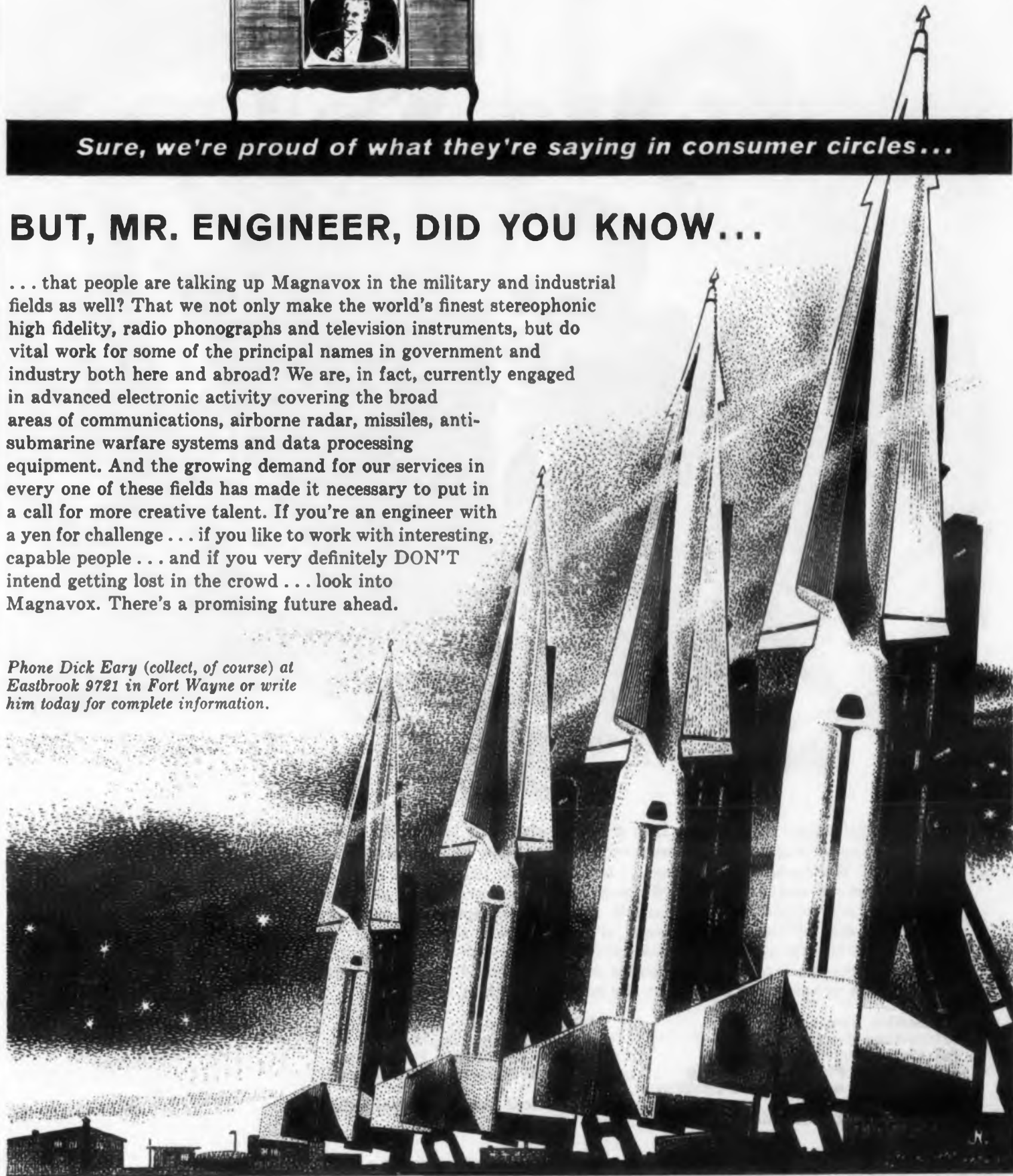


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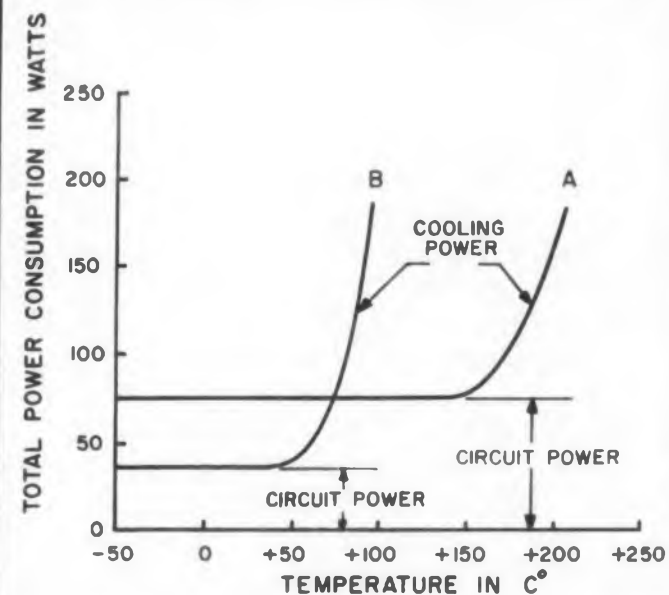
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Under this condition, equipment B would consume a total of 185 w on a system basis, while equipment A consumed 75 w. Consequently for an ambient temperature of 100 C and electrical refrigeration, equipment A is more than twice as efficient as B, although exactly the reverse is true at an ambient of 50 C.

We can construct a generalized comparison curve (see graph) that illustrates this comparison



Equipment B, although more efficient at low temperatures, is less efficient at high temperatures when considered on a system basis.

as a function of ambient temperature. Similar comparison can be made for other system factors, such as weight or volume. In many instances the optimum design for weight will not coincide with the optimum for efficiency or size.

Two Different Things

Second, consider the proposition that heat energy and temperature are two different things. This statement borders on the self-evident; nevertheless it is often overlooked. An illustration is afforded by considering the heat energy above absolute zero in a cubic foot of the North Atlantic Ocean at -2 C, compared with the same volume for colliding gas clouds of Cygnus A, which are estimated to reach a temperature above 1,000,000

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Not Always 'Bad'

Third, let us examine the statement that heat is not always "bad." At least one microminiaturization approach, the General Electric TIMM circuits, is based on the novel idea of constructively using the heat energy released by electronic circuit operation, as opposed to the often costly alternative of getting rid of the heat.

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Inseparable Designs

The fourth statement, that in microminiaturization the thermal and electronic designs are inseparable, is actually a summary conclusion from the preceding statements. The essential advantage of microminiaturization is in the size reduction of large electronic systems. To achieve the true advantage, the whole system must be considered in the design. As we saw in the first example, this becomes a thermodynamic electronic design problem in which the two factors are mutually utilized



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