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## Men in Motion

October means rustling leaves and backyards filled w.h smoke. It also means rustling papers and hospitality suites filled with smoke. By rough count, the month will see some 34 electronics meetings, and at a considerable number of these, ELECTRONIC DESIGN engineers will be in attendance.
These meetings, which range from Anaheim to Cambridge and cover everything from hi-fi to high flight, are grist for our mill. Our editors fan out from New York and Los Angeles to cover them and the results can largely be seen in our News Department. At some, of course, they don't find stories, but they usually manage to find leads for stories.
In the month of August, which is generally a time of vacations, we covered six major meetings, including fielding a squad of seven editors for the big doings at WESCON. In addition to this, our editors managed to get in 37 visits to electronics plants, bringing the total number of plants visited to 247 since the beginning of the year.
These plant visits are just as important to ELECTRONIC DESIGN as are the meetings. From them come ideas for byline pieces by engineers and ideas for News and other special features.
By sending our editors out into the field to talk to the men who are doing the work, we best serve the industry.

## Job Insecurify

The other day, an engineer not without experience in job-hunting, put the whole recruiting business in a nutshell. "In a job interview," he said, "you sit around and tell lies about all your experience; the interviewer tells lies about how wonderful the job is-and then you sit and argue salary.'
A bit less cynical and considerably more helpful is Richard Haitch's article in this issue's "Designing Your Future" section. Entitled "Are You Conscious or Unconscious When You Choose an En. gineering Job?" the article shows that engineers are too often both, and offers some hints on how best to sell your experience and also how best to find out some necessary details about your prospective employer.

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## Bell Optical Maser Transmits Light 25 Miles

## Unmodulated Signal Transmitted at 20 W Lights 200-Ft Circle; High Coherence and Monochromaticity Are Also Reported

AN OPTICAL maser has been successfully used in long-distance communication experiments by the Bell Telephone Laboratories with pulses of coherent light transmitted over a $25-\mathrm{mi}$ line-of-sight path between laboratories at Holmdel and Murray Hill, N.J. Red light generated by a "brute force" ruby maser at Holmdel was visible to the naked eye at Murray Hill and was detected electrically by photomultiplier tubes. The beam angle of 0.1 deg illuminated a circle of only 200 ft diam at Murray Hill. According to BTL scientists, a searchlight of equal directivity would require a $500-\mathrm{ft}$ mirror.

Experiments have also been conducted in which the maser beam was transmitted through a quarter mile of 2 in . diam helical, wire-wound waveguide. The interior of the waveguide was not optically reflective and the transmission was again over a line of sight path. However, transmission along a curved path should be possible with a highly polished circular waveguide, a BTL researcher told Electronic Design.
The maser employed in these tests is similar
to the type recently disclosed by the Hughes Research Laboratories. Chromium ions in a ruby cylinder are raised to a higher energy level by intense optical pumping (the so-called "brute force" approach). Their return to the base energy level generates light of a lower frequency than that of the pumping light. Although this process resembles the natural fluorescent action in ruby, maser output is ideally highly monochromatic, coherent, and directional. These properties would make the optical maser extremely attractive as a communications device and a number of companies are actively pursuing maser development with an eye on optical radar and space communication uses (ED, Aug. 3, p 14).

## Development Surpasses Expectations

Although this optical maser essentially confirms the work of Dr. Theodore H. Maiman at Hughes, the BTL research group headed by Dr. Arthur L. Schawlow has reached some encouraging conclusions not heretofore apparent. At
the time of the Hughes disclosure, many scientists doubted that a ruby maser could achieve the coherence and monochromaticity theoretically possible. In the Bell and Hughes masers a ruby cylinder, silver-plated at both ends, acts as a Fabry-Perot interferometer to reinforce the light output along the axis of the cylinder. It was anticipated, however, that internal reflections from the cylinder walls would also be reinforced and reduce the coherence of the output. A number of schemes to reduce internal reflections were accordingly proposed.
The experiments at Bell indicate that internal reflections are actually less intense than expected. Dr. Schawlow attributes this to the fact that the side-wall propagation modes have a much lower Q than the desired axial mode.

The coherence of the Bell maser was confirmed by a classic, double-slit diffraction experiment. Light emitted from two fine, parallel slits in the silver coating at one end of the ruby formed interference patterns indicative of a coherent source. The light output centering on

## ISA Stresses Electronics in Process Control

## Papers Cover Field from Strain Gages to Adaptive Systems;

 New Companies Provide Some Surprises at New York MeetingTHE GROWING importance of electronics in process control was strongly emphasized by exhibits and technical sessions at the Instrument Society of America's Instrument-Automation Conference held recently in New York. Displays at the Coliseum ranged from digital computers for process control to ultraviolet-sensitive flame detectors. At the technical sessions, the role of electronics in instrumentation was also evident with papers covering the field from strain gages and pyrometers to nuclear reactor controls and adaptive systems.
Although the exhibits included the usual assortment of valves, pumps, compressors, and other mechanical hardware, this year's show set
a record for the variety and quantity of electronic devices on display. Flowmeters, sensors, controllers, analyzers, and recorders-all using clectronic circuitry either directly or indirectly -were among the many devices offered by the more than 300 exhibitors at the show.

## New Companies Bring New Products

Old-line instrumentation manufacturers were seen continuing their move to electron: systems, but much of what was new and interesting came from new companies or from manufacturers beginning to diversify into this field.
New devices shown this year include:

- Ultraviolet-sensitive flame detectors-Min-
neapolis-Honeywell and Thomas A. Edison, Inc. (The M-H unit is being promoted under the unlikely name of "Purple Peeper.")
- Gyroscopic mass flowmeters-Decker Corp. and General Electric.
- Analog converter-recorder - Mnemotron Corp.
- Tuning fork-controlled synchronous motorHathaway Instruments.
Process-control computers, both analog and digital, were shown by more than 20 manufacturers, among them Librascope's Libratrol 1000 solid-state digital computer.
The increasingly common practice of tie-ins (continued on $p$ 6)


Monochromaticity of ruby maser was determined in this diffraction experiment. Dr. Arthur L. Schawlow (left) watches at C. G. B. Garrett inserts ruby cylinder into flash lamp. Camera at right photographs interference patterns.

6943 A is 60 times narrower than the natural fluorescent line of ruby. This is said to be an improvement over the results obtained by Hughes, though a further reduction by a factor of 10 is needed to reach the theoretical limit of colerence.
Another unusual effect observed in the Bell maser is the pulsed nature of the output. Because of the flash lamp used for optical pumping. maser action is sustained for only 1 msec at a time. Within this interval, however, the output is emitted in short, intense bursts on the order of one microsecond each. The pulses occur at 5 - to $10-\mu \mathrm{sec}$ intervals with the rate generally shortening as the pumping intensity is increased. This effect is thought to be analogous to the operation of a conventional blocking oscillator. Average output of the maser is approximately 20 w .

## Signals Not Modulated

The signals transmitted in the communication experiments were not modulated in any way. While it is possible to transmit information by means of simple pulses, practical application of the optical maser requires a continuously operating device and a means of modulating the signal. Traveling wave-type masers have been propused and are reportedly in development by siveral organizations, including Bell Labs.
The group working with Dr. Schawlow includes R. J. Collins, D. F. Nelson, W. L. Bond, C. G. B. Garrett and W. K. Kaiser. A separate (/am at Bell Labs is currently working on gas - )tical masers while the Schawlow group is concentrating on ruby and other solids including lanthanum chloride doped with samarium or cropium and other unspecified rare earth chlodes. W. S. Boyle was in charge of the com"unication experiments reported here. - ■


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between somputer and instrument manufa turers (such as RCA-Foxboro and Philco-Leets \& Northrup, came in for some criticism by tho e attending the show. One top ISA officer to d Electronic Design that the systems provided ly such working arrangements were not altogether satisfactory to the larger users of automated process control equipment. These larger buyers generally have their own applications enginetring staffs and prefer to keep system design work in-house rather than purchase "ready-to-wear" automation. On the other hand, it was agrecd that smaller customers, unable to design their own equipment, would continue to benefit from the availability of integrated systems resulting from these working arrangements.

## Averbach Predicts Simplified Controls

In his keynote speech at ISA's data handling workshop, I. L. Auerbach, president of Auerbach Electronics Corp., predicted a significant breakthrough in practical control and decision-making equipment using hydraulic elements exclusively. Potential low cost and high reliability were cited as favoring their application. Such systems could operate pneumatic and hydraulic actuators without the need for intervening electronic equipment. The resultant simplicity would also favor the use of hydraulic computers, as would their potential for operation where control is exer cised in adverse environments such as hot-gas servos. Mr. Auerbach warned, however, that many serious design problems remain to be overcome before the potential of hydraulic and pneumatic logic systems can be fully realized "Economics, not novelty, will be the determining factor in their application," Mr. Auerbach said
Coincidentally, operating hydraulic and pneu matic computing elements were displayed at the show by the Diamond Ordnance Fuze Labora tories. These were simple demonstration models of oscillators, amplifiers, and flip-flops which showed quite clearly the operating principles of hydraulic and pneumatic logic devices.

## Government Has Many Exhibits

An unusual feature of this year's ISA show was the large number of exhibits representing the Department of Defense and other government agencies. Some 20 R\&D branches of the armed services as well as NASA, the National Bureau of Standards, and the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization exhibited at the show. Booth space for these displays was contributed by ISA which had also extended invitations to other non-profit agencies, research foundations, etc. Military aspects of instrumentation were al-
m ist entirely non-existent either at the govern$m$ nt exhibits, industrial exhibits, or technical se sions.
Government exhibits of interest to designers included an automatic type-placement system developed by the Army Map Service, a miniaturized telemetering system for physiological data developed by the Naval Medical Research Institute and a full-sized mock-up of the Project Mercury capsule shown by NASA.
Spokesmen for the Department of Defense said those attending the show were showing considerable interest in these displays and that the resulting exchange of information between exhibitors and visitors should prove valuable all around.

## 'Progress Through Instrumentation'

ISA technical sessions, centered on the theme "Progress Through Instrumentation," provided extensive coverage of oceanography, meteorology, strain gages, and computers. The oceanography sessions were, in particular, the most extensive ever conducted by a group not directly involved in the field. The various aspects of undersea electronics were treated in 24 pages at six sessions during the conference.
New instruments described at the sessions included the following:

- Telemetering current meter-James Snodgrass, Scripps Institution of Oceanography.
- Salinity measuring device-Jerome Williams, Chesapeake Bay Institute.
- Turbulence meter-Calvin Congwer and Earl Finkle, Aerojet-General.
Complex instrumentation systems such as used aboard the bathyscape "Trieste" and on a Texas Tower erected by the Naval Electronics Laboratory were also described.
The volume of oceanographic papers came as something of a surprise to ISA officials. "We thought of running a session or two on the subject and sent out a call for papers," said Bert Green of the Vortex Foundation, who developed the program for ISA, "But the response floored us; the papers were too good to be rejected so here we are with six sessions attended by a 'Who's Who' of oceanography."
At the end of the conference, ISA officers were strongly considering the establishment of an undurwater electronic's section within the framework of the organization.
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## Airborne Refractometers Track Missiles

They Measure Air Index of Refraction; Developed by NBS Boulder Laboratories

AIRBORNE radio refractometers developed by the National Bureau of Standards, Boulder, Colo., will figure prominently in improving the accuracy of missile tracking systems. A major electronic concern is reportedly planning to use these units to refine the accuracy of measurements at its Cape Canaveral tracking installation.

These measurements, made by radio ranging techniques, are dependent upon a precise knowledge of air index of refraction, and hence of propagation, along the measured path. Airborne refractometers flown in the vicinity of the paths could provide constant monitoring of this rapidly changing factor.
The Colorado Research Corp., Broomfield, Colo., which is preparing to manufacture the instruments in quantity, has received inquiries concerning delivery of six units for this purpose.
The refractometers will also be used in a variety of other experiments. The National Bureau of Standards will soon


Atmospheric turbulence will be studied by the National Bureau of Standards at Haswell, Colo. with an array of 15 refractometer cavifies. Sketch shows 500 -ft tower and arrange. ment of units along three orthogonal axes at the tower. Inset shows how cavities are connected to feed line by unidirectional couplers. Return path to multichannel recording system in trailer is via coaxial cable. A single reference cavity and klystron serve the entire array.
perform atmospheric turbulence studies at its Haswell, Colo., site with an arrey of 15 instruments arranged along three orthogonal axes. One of the axes will consist of a $500-\mathrm{ft}$ tower. The University of Hamburg, Germany, is using a prototype instrument on loan from NBS for propagation studies and is due to receive a production unit from CRC this month. NBS will, in addition, follow up its turbulence studies with a wide range of meteorological and propagation experiments using the refractometer.

## Two Designs Available

Two separate refractometer designs have been developed at NBS by Maurice J. Vetter. Both designs employ a sampling cavity open to the air, a sealed reference cavity and a klystron oscillator to drive the cavities. The refractometers differ primarily in their methods of comparison between the sampling and reference cavities. The two designs offer a choice between long-term stability and fast response.
In one unit, designated by CRC as model 3 A , the emphasis is on fast response obtained through phase comparison circuitry. Klystron frequency is

"Absolute" refractometer uses tunable klystron and tunable reference cavity for increased long-term stability. Phase comparator at left provides error signal that tunes klystron to the resonant frequency of the sampling cavity. Phase comparator at right and servo system tune reference cavity to the same frequency.

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s. ept $\pm 10 \mathrm{mc}$ from 9400 kmc by a! plying a 5-kc sawtooth voltage to the klystron repeller. Resonance of the sampling and reference caviti's occur at different times. Each event switches a flip-flop so as to produce a square wave whose width is the time interval between the two resonant points. This time is then converted to N (index of refraction) units.
Changes in N at rates up to 50 cps are said to be measurable by this method. The design also permits the simultaneous use of several sampling cavities with a single reference cavity and klystron. This is convenient for multiple unit arrays such as will be used in the NBS atmospheric turbulence studies.

## Klystron Drift Limits Accuracy

Long-term accuracy of the time comparison method is limited, however, by klystron drift. Errors are compensated to some extent by modifying the sawtooth voltage to the repeller so that the ascending portion of the wave is " S "-shaped rather than linear. Long-term accuracies of two to five N units are said to be attainable with the model 3A refractometer.
A more sophisticated comparison method based on mechanical tuning of the reference cavity by a servo-driven probe is used in the second instrument. This unit has been designated as the "Absolute" refractometer and is said to have less than $1 / 10$ th the long term drift of the model 3 A .
In the "Absolute" refractometer, klystron center frequency is tuned to the resonant frequency of the sampling cavity. The klystron is swept about a $9.4-\mathrm{kmc}$ center irequency by a $12-\mathrm{kc}$ sine wave applicd to the repeller. Frequency tracking is performed by phase comparing reference cavity output and the 12 -ke sine wave. Comparatiri output is then fed back.

## Servo Tunes Reference Cavity

A second-phase comparator ! elds an output related to the frequency difference between the 1 ference and sampling cavities. (continued on p. 10)



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## Navy Aims at Reduced Crews Through Study of Automation

The Navy is studying the installation of ship,oard automated machinery to reduce crews. The study, called Project SURIC (Surface Ship lintegrated Control), is expected to be completed within a year.
According to the Navy, the program will "simplify and centralize shıpboard operations in such a way that vessels will continue to operate effi(iently, but with fewer people."
To date, the study has concentrated on optimum use of current communication techniques. It has been found, for example, that relaying information by voice communication on radiotelephone often produces a time-lag-and, even, confusion. These could be eliminated, it is felt, if voice communication were superseded by a data-processing system.

## Data Correlation Gets Under Way On Recent EIA Stereo FM Radio Tests

The data gathered from completed stereophonic fm radio tests are being correlated and will be presented for review by the coordination committee of the National Stereophonic Radio Committee. Finished two weeks ahead of schedule, the test results will then be submitted to EIA for filing with the Federal Communications Committee.
The test conducted by EIA at the request of FCC, measured transmission and stereophonic reception of six stereo fm systems. They also evaluated the compatibility of monophonic receivers to the broadcasts. This was done at three signal levels $-1,000,2,000$, and $50 \mu \mathrm{v}$ input to receiver baluns.

For subjective evaluation, a specially prepared program of musical selections was pre-recorded on a test tape which was broadcast on the experimental station KG2XIU, using the facilities of station KDKA in Pittsburgh.

Stereo transmission systems tested were: ElecIronics Music Industries, Ltd.; Crosby-Teletronics Corp.; General Electric Co.; Zenith Radio Corp.; Multiplex Development Corp.; and Calhest Electronics Co.

## Accuracy Is Our Policy

In the issue of June 22, p 24, the location of he Electronic Tube Div. of Westinghouse Elecric Corp. was incorrectly given as Youngswood, Pa. The correct location is Elmira, N.Y.


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## USSR Seen as No. 2 Computer-Maker by '65

## Auerbach Makes Prediction After European Tour; Says U.S. Leads Continent by a 'Couple of Years'

ALTHOUGH the U.S. "without question" enjoys a lead in informationhandling technology, within five years the Soviet Union will be hard on its heels, according to Isaac L. Auerbach of Auerbach Electronics, Philadelphia, just returned after a seven-week tour of European computer factories and laboratories.

He said the U.S. lead of " a couple of years" over Europeans was due to two factors:

- The U.S. started earlier.
- It is spending more money on computer development.

At the moment, Mr. Auerbach said, the United Kingdom, France, and West Germany are the ranking three countries in the field. But Russian strides in the field will permit that country to overhaul them and rank behind the U.S.
within five years.
Auerbach said it also had been re ported to him that Communist China wa making "astounding" advances in computer technology. He repeated a report which said that the Soviet had recently given the Chinese a computer which the Chinese duplicated within a year with "frightening" improvements.
He paid tribute to European computer theory and said that the Bull computer, for example, was "brilliant" in concept and the Ferranti Atlas-which he compared to the U.S. Stretch-is based on a most unusual concept.

In general, however, he called U.S. hardware "leagues ahead" of the European developments.
Reviewing the industry and the state of the art in Europe before a seminar sponsored by the Office of Naval Re-

## 'Van Allen-Proof' Solar Cells Described ARS Meeting Hears New Signal Corps Development Is 'At Least 10, Perhaps 50 Times' More Resistant

SOLAR cells "at least 10 times if not 50 times more resistant to radiation," were announced last week at the American Rocket Society Space Power Systems Conference in Santa Monica, Calif., according to Dr. Nathan W. Snyder of the Research Engineering Support Group for Defense Analysis. The new solar cells, developed at the Signal Corp's R\&D in Fort Monmouth, N.J., will stand up from 10 to 50 times better in the high-energy ionizing radiation of the Van Allen belts.
By diffusing phosphorous into the surface of a P-type silicon crystal, SCL scientists William Cheery and Joseph Madelkorn fabricated N-on-P-type solar cells instead of the conventional P-on-N boron-diffused types.

The new units are produced at lower
temperatures than present types, the Army announced, less damage is caused to the crystal structure of the silicon. For this reason, said the Army, the new cells may be produced at lower cost.

The exact mechanism that gives these cells their unique properties has yet to be isolated. Electronic Design learned from Dr. Snyder that for whatever reason N-type silicon is inherently more resistant to electron-proton radiation.
Using the synchrocyclotron at the University of California, Dr. Joseph Denny of Space Technology Labs has found that the new cells are approximately four times more resistant to 740 mev protons than convention types. Other tests have shown that the new cells are 40 times more resistant to an energy flux of 0.6 mev protons than
search, Mr. Auerbach found, in general, that the amount of money and manpower devoted to automatic data processing is far smaller there. The U.S., he said later, will stay ahead "just as long as our government continues to sponsor a major portion of our research."
He noted that thin-film accomplishments are "in the very, very basic technique stage," comparable to that of transistors some years ago. He said that International Computers and Tabulators Co., an English firm, has developed a new and secret "Gyra" film alloy which has solved the reproducibility problem and has licked the noise problem. It is not yet in a computer, however.
He noted that the majority of Continental computer makers use ALGOL-60 language for translators, but that a number of English firms do not.
The most impressive hydraulic-logic work is being done by IBM in Zurich. This can be used "very handsomely" for industrial control. The Russians, he has heard, have already built a pneumatic computer. (For more on Mr. Auerbach's ciews on hydraulic logic, see $\boldsymbol{p}$.).

P-on-N types. Because of this, the Army says radiation-resistant transistors and other semiconductors may be on the way.
Dr. Snyder told Electronic Design that the Soviet Union produced the first N -on-P solar cells for space research. He added, however, that Soviet scientists have discontinued using the new cells in favor of the P-on-N types.
During a panel discussion at the ARS meeting on results of solar-cell-storagebattery systems development for the U.S. space vehicles, Dr. Snyder, who was chairman of the discussion, stated that he is "discouraged" over the development of Ni -Cad batteries, which have comprised about half the weight of the payloads orbited to date
Roughly half the Ni-Cad Batteries now employed leak when in the vacuum of space, according to Walter Scott of Applied Physics Labs. Harmon A. Goyette of STL revealed that Pioneer V malfunctioned because of the failure of the Ni-Cad batteries. "We would be happy with their present size and weight if the batteries performed at optimum efficiency," Goyette added. - -

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## Reader Will Scan 10,000 Envelopes Per Hour

## Post Office Field Tests to Start Early Next Year in Washington; Fully Transistorized Unit Can Handle Wide Variety of Type Fonts

AN AUTOMATIC address reader designed to sort typewritten envelopes to 40 destinations at a rate of 10,000 per hr will begin field tests on live mail early next year at the Post Office Laboratory in Washington, D. C. The alltransistorized prototype being assembled by the Intelligent Machines Research Corp. of Alexandria, Va. will be capable of reading a wide variety of typewritten, business machine, and printed fonts. Cities, states, and common abbreviations for states will be recognizable by the machine.
The unit will only read addresses consisting of upper- and lower-case letters (such as Brooklyn, New York). However, additional logic circuits enabling it to read all-upper-case addresses
(such as CHICAGO, ILL.), imprinted by addressograph plates, are being designed and are to be incorporated into the machine by the end of next August. Protoype development and manufacture, including the all-upper-case logic, are being conducted under a $\$ 250,000$ contract from the Post Office Dept.

Accuracy requirements for the address reader are still indefinite. Performance of earlier models, however, indicates that the device will at least match the accuracy of manual sorting. The reject rate, on the other hand, may be rather high as the machine's logic is designed to reject an envelope rather than "guess" its destination.
The scanning and logic techniques of the address reader generally parallel those of IMR's
commercial alphanumeric readers (ED, May 11 , p 26). However, the alphanumeric readers are designed to read only one particular type font, while the address reader must cope with a variety of type faces.

## Characters Recognized By Special Classes

Thus, in general, the address reader does not recognize individual letters as such. In order to do the job with a machine of reasonable size, its designers have chosen to concentrate on the recognition of special classes of characters. The arrangement of these special letters within a word is sufficient to identify the address. The special classes of characters are:

- Characters with ascenders (b, d, f, h, i, k, l, t)


## All-Electronic Reader

Keeping in step with recent design trends in character-recognition equipment, the Post Cffice Department has awarded Philco's Research Division a two-year, $\$ 346,000$ contract for development of an all-electronic address reader. Performance of experimental hardware designed for use with a forthcoming computer reportedly clinched the iob for Philco over several other major bidders.
Unlike IMR's reader, the Philco unit is to read addresses by separate recognition of all 26 alphabetic and 10 numeric characters. A high-resolution flying spot crt employing advanced electron optics evolved from the "Apple" color TV tube will be used.
The problem imposed by different type fonts is to be attacked by a double scan. Data from the first scan will be analyzed by area correlation methods to identify the type style. Mation methods to identify the type style. Ma-
chine logic will be reprogramed accordingly and a second scan, properly adjusted in height and width, will then read the characters. A processing rate of up to 1,000 characters per sec is expected.
The contract calls for delivery of a prototype reader having a 75 -address capacity. Post Office Department engineers emphasize that design of the Philco reader is still in its initial design of the Philco reader is still in its initial
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ing the term of the contract.

## North Carolina

## Chicago

Leffers shown in color are those identifiable by the address reader and used to determine the address. Some upper case letters are uniquely recognized; other letters are identified as belonging to special classes. Number and position of these special letters are sufficient to identify address.

- Characters with descenders ( $\mathrm{j}, \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{q}, \mathrm{y}$ )
- Three-crossing characters (a, e, s, z) which are crossed three times by a vertical scan.
- Lower case "g"

Except for " g ", these letters are identified as belonging to a particular class rather than as discrete letters.
Some upper case characters are uniquely identifiable, but others can as yet only be recognized by groups. Such groups include the letters KMNHW, UV, IC, and EBFP. The differences between each letter in a group are readily apparent here in print, and IMR's commerical readers can distinguish between them. But recognizing these letters in a variety of type fonts turns out to be much more difficult.

## How To Recognize "Chicago"

Letters can be sorted either by city, by state, or both. "Chicago" for example, could be defined by the following criteria:

- Upper case "C"
- Immediately followed by two successive ascending letters (h, i).
- Later followed by a three-crossing character
(it).
- Immediately followed by a " $g$ " not at the end (if the word.
Not all these criteria may be necessary to lentify "Chicago" from among all other possible ddresses-particularly if "Illinois" or "Ill." are acluded in the definition. Thus, the definition of "Chicago" can be simplified, for the word contins many identifiable characteristics. The upper "ase "C", which cannot always be positively



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identified, might be removed from the definition The address reader operates with a total of 2 ? criteria based on special character classes an 1 15 criteria based on upper case letter groups.

## Abbreviations A Problem

Identification of complete state nues by these criteria is fairly straightforward as there are only 50 possibilities. State abbreviations present a much greater problem in that each abbreviation contains relatively little useful information. "Ala." and "Ark." are easily distinguished from each other by the number and relative position of the three-crossing and ascending characters. Hower, "Penn." and "Tenn." are quite difficult to separate, as" are "Tex." and "Tenn." Possible methods of solution include refinement of upper case identification and recognition of character widths.

The scanning system of the address reader is quite similar to the type used in IMR's commercial machines. The principal modifications embodied in the new machine accommodate for the non-uniformity of address positions among envelopes. "Random noise" in the form of advertising matter printed on envelopes was also considered in the logical design of the machine.

Each envelope passes two separate stations as it travels through the reader. The first or

Optical Unit Reads Card Numbers


Anorner optical cnaiacter reader-this one from IBM and scheduled for 1962 manufacture-will read numbers directly into IBM's 1401 computer after optically scanning at rates up to 480 characters a second from up to 400 card-size documents a minute.
pe-read station, locates the bottom line of the aldress and positions a mirror at the main readi, $g$ station to bring the bottom line into the field of the main scanning system. The pre-read station has relatively low resolution but covers a field ranging from 0.3 to 2.0 in . from the bottom of the envelope. The station senses advertising matter at the left of the address and positions the mirror accordingly. However, since envelopes are scanned from left to right, the address is the final determinant of mirror position.
Horizontal scanning is due to the motion of the envelope itself through the reader. Envelopes travel on a continuously moving belt at a speed of 45 in . per sec, first passing the pre-read station and then the main reading station.
Vertical scanning is by a slotted disk spinning behind a fixed, slotted plate. A 7 -in. disk with

## Progress Being Made

Development of electronic systems to speed the mails is being pushed forward on a number of fronts with results likely to become increasingly apparent in coming months.

- This month will see the opening of Project Turnkey, a highly automated post office at Providence, R. I.
- Early next month ITT will demonstrate an experimental facsimile mail system between New York and Washington, D. C.
- Tests of the IMR address reader will begin next February, with the Philco reader due in 1962.

In addition, the Post Office Department is supporting development of a magnetic address coding system by Radinow Engineering, Washington, D. C.

The man directing these projects is Harold Lieske, head of R\&D at the Post Office Department, and hard-headed realist about the problems of postal automation. On the subject of design requirements for address reader, Mr. Lieske has this to say:
"We're willing to accept a high reject rate if it means greater accuracy. Even if a machine rejected half its input, it would still be an enormous benefit, but we can't afford very many misroutings. With hand sorting there are perhaps 10 people down the line who can spot a mistake; with the automatic loading and bundling system now coming into use the changes are that a misrouted letter will go right on through."
Research and development projects are selected with an eye toward reasonably shortteim results. Work on handwriting readers, for example, has been shelved temporarily.
While the department is always on the lookout for new ideas, it discourages premature announcement of its work. Every time the magazines do a story on us," said one post office engineer, "We're besieged by people who claim to have the answer to all our prob-lems-we have neither the time, money or personnel to cope with them." It was suggested personnel to cope with them. It was suggested that designers think through and test their ideas very carefully
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## Digital and Logic Circuits Employed

Next in line are digital circuits that combine the detected stroke characteristics to determine the presence of letters or classes of letters.

Logic circuits then establish the class, number, and sequence of these special characters and determine the address. These logical functions will be programed on a removable plugboard on which the 40 sub-routines defining the various state and city-state addresses can be conveniently organized or modified. Plugboard output is then converted into a seven-level binary code that


Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield (leff) and S. Lang Makraver of Farrington, IMR's parent company, inspect printed circuit board for the IMR address reader. Unit itself is in background. Device at right transfers envelopes from input bin to the address reader
(antrols an electro-mechanical mail sorter. Envi lopes come off the address reader and into He mail sorter where they are routed into bins corresponding to their address.

## Niodular Construction Planned

The prototype unit will consist of modular blocks and will include sufficient space for the additional circuitry required for the all-upper case program. The modules include scanner, signal shaping, format, interpreter and output units. The shaping unit prepares photomultiplier signals for use in the interpreter, where the various special character classes and upper case letters are recognized. The format module controls the bottom line locator.

An indication of the address reader's logical capacity is given by the approximately 3,000 transistors and 4,000 diodes used in the circuitry. Transistors are generally wired in complementary symmetry pairs to provide push-pull outputs from single-ended inputs.

Present test plans call for the sorting of raw mail, with the result that the reader would reject handwritten and all-upper case addresses. To achieve more efficient utilization of the reader, IMR has designed a pre-sorter that could be used ahead of the reader to remove handwritten mail. According to Abraham Tersoff, IMR's chief of character-recognition engineering, the logic for the pre-sorter is "minuscule" compared to that of the address reader. The device operates by recognizing the wide variation in character heights and wide swings between characters typical in handwritten matter. Mr. Tersoff claims that the pre-sorter would be 98 per cent reliable on live mail. -

## Titan ICBM Re-Entry Vehicle Will Use Ablating Materials

The new Titan re-entry vehicle, called the Mark 6, will use ablating materials for protection from the terrific heats of re-entry. These materials dissipate the heat by burning and vaporizing into the atmosphere.
This re-entry vehicle for the advanced Titan II ICBM will be the third major Air Force missile re-entry vehicle to be developed by General Electric Missile and Space Vehicle Dept. of Pliiladelphia, Pa .
GE is also developing an operational-type reentry vehicle (Mark 3) for the Air Force Atlas I BM; and it has recently completed work on t) e Mark 2 re-entry vehicles which are now ope stional on the Thor intermediate-range ballis$t$ missile and on the Atlas.


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THERE is now appearing a new hierarchy o systems, surpassing in scope the availability of analytical technique and engineers of ade quate breadth. The systems are being designed by a mixture of science and black magic. Optimi zation of such systems is merely a concept to which one can give little more than rhetorical dignity." So said J. W. Halina, International Telephone and Telegraph Communications Sys tems, Inc., in describing the new design problems arising through the appearance of super systems like SAGE, statewide banking systems and satellite surveillance systems.
Mr. Halina, who told the largest audienct ever to attend the National Communication Symposium that the electronics industry lacks suit able supersystems engineers, supporting techniques, and programs to attack the problems posed by today's and tomorrow's systems. He was one of the many speakers at the sixth annual symposium in Utica. N.Y., to point out that communications technology was barely keeping up with advancing requirements.
Another speaker, Roman Krzyczkowski, General Electric Co., examined the same problem from the viewpoint of economics in a paper on communications economics. "Products of our ingenuity, skill, and knowledge," he said, "have become so complex that few of us can even claim to know about it, let alone understand, every problem in the large systems we help to create Since such systems are very expensive, advanced economic analysis becomes essential for the appropriate selection if the engineer is to realize even a penny's value for a penny expended."

## Trends away from the 'Conventional'?

Mr. Krzyczkowski noted "the trend in complete systems away from 'conventional' communications equipment and toward other techniques. In work on space communications systems. we are often more concerned with launching pads, boosters, guidance, and other satellite problems than with communications dilemmas. which, in comparison, appear almost easy. This is true even on the ground; while outlining a large, complete, ground-to-ground communications system, I have found that 'conventional' communications equipment accounted for only

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one fitth of the total cost. The other four fifths was at the rear end of my transmitters and receivers in various forms of data-processing equipment." He suggested that designers and economists work together.
In making his presentation, Mr. Krzyczkowski quoted a Rand Corp. survey, in which, for the first time, many general cost figures on communications equipment were published as state-of-the-art equations. The figures are based on current AN equipment used by the three services and are reportedly valid within about 15 per cent.
Cost in dollars of portable equipment is 160 times the square root of equipment's weight or 500 times the square root of equipment's power plus 150. Cost of airborne equipment is $\$ 50$ per lb , or 500 times the square root of the power doubled. Cost of vehicular equipment is $\$ 17$ per lb , or 1,000 times the fourth root of the power. Cost of fixed transportable equipment is $\$ 90$ per lb , or 6,250 times the cube root of the power.

## Trends to Narrow-Band Systems?

K. A. Pullen Jr., Ballistic Research Laboratories, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, told a symposium audience that there is much interest today in narrow-band systems as a solution to the problems of extra-long range communications which are being faced.
Other symposium highlights:

- A variable data-rate technique was described by J. E. Palmer, Radio Corp. of America. The technique calls for designing systems, not for the worst channel conditions expected, but for adaptability to the varying conditions of the channel. This results in use of variable data rates.
- The possible use of propagation characteristics of "outer space" near the earth to communicate on the earth was discussed in a paper prepared by H. Hodara, Hallicrafters Co.; G. I. Coln, Illinois Institute of Technology; and H R. Raemer, Sylvania Electric Products, Inc. Keyed to use of outer space is a radiation winduw in the vlf range in which waves are guided by lines of earth's magnetic field.
- Keynote speaker Maj. Gen. C. H. Mitchel, cummander of the Air Force's Electronic Systems Center, reported on the Air Force's drive to have e uipment and systems for command and control d signed for survival, with particular emphasis (0) surveillance and warning systems. - -



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UPGRADING OF B-70 PROGRAM implies some increased spending formilitary electronics over the next five years. Instead of being a research program, the B-70 supersonic bomber now may be operational by 1966, according to Lt. Gen. Roscoe C. Wilson, chief of development for the Air Force. Congress appropriated an extra $\$ 290$ million for the B-70 in the current fiscal year, and the Defense Department is making about $\$ 105$ million available for use. But additional funds for the Mach 3 aircraft program may not come as easily. Indications are that readjustments in existing programs will be demanded so that "savings" can be shown which will make commitment of additional money less of a new budgetary drain.

VIRTUALLY PERFECT RELIABILITY is expected of the Ballistic Missile Early Warning System, says the Deputy Director of Communications and Electronics for the Air Force, Brig. Gen. John B. Bestic. When the system goes into operation it will be self-testing. The reliability of the data provided by the checkout system "can be accepted without question," he noted, since prior provision has been made to avoid disruption of the system because of failure of a computer. The BMEWS computers, he revealed, not only track targets but compare their trajectories "with those of observer satellites and with auroral and meteor trail charactertistics."

UNDERESTIMATE OF SPACE COSTS in Pigures hitherto presented has been implied by NASA chief Dr. T. Keith Glennan. The agency has $\$ 915$ million for the current fiscal year, and more will be needed "if we are to continue pressing forward." By the mid-'60s or earlier, "it is more than likely that the annual cost of our civilian space programs will have passed the $\$ 1.5$ billion mark and be approaching an even higher figure approximating $\$ 2$ billion," he says. Earlier this year, NASA told Congress that about \$l2 billion to \$l5 billion would be needed to finance its space technology program for the current decade.

CONTRACTOR FINANCING POLICY of the Defense Departmentthe so-called 80-20 system-may be changed by the end of the year. In response to persistent military and Congressional pressures, abetted by sharp criticism from the General Accounting Office, serious thought is being given to abolition of the practice of denying advance payments for the last 20 per cent of Contractors' costs. A compromise, proposed by the Defense Department Comptroller would have sought to quell Congressional criticism
by cutting back on fee and profit allowances to contractors. The Army and the Navy appear to favor abandonment of the 80-20 policy. The Air Force is not opposed to its retention. Since the system can be used to postpone cash outlays-useful to the military at times of budgetary stringency-the odds are that it will not be dropped entirely but be made more flexible.

MORE RESEARCH IN BIONICS-patterning of systems after living organisms-is to be performed by the Air Research and Development Command. "Significant contributions to miniaturization" may be made by living models and "radical design and development" may stem from applying to circuitry the sensory principles of living organisms, asserts Lt. Gen. Bernard E. Schriever, ARDC commander. Intensive research will be done by ARDC itself so as to make sure that the Air Force has "technical management competence in problem analysis, and in the formulation of methods to solve them."

SPECIFICATION REVISION for ground support equipment probably will not be ready until February 1961. At that time, the technical data requirements spelled out in MII-D9412 C should be ready for application. This specification, designed to assure "operational integrity" of all support systems, is basic to Air Force attainment of centralized management of this type of equipment. Objective of the program is to hold to a minimum the variety of electronic and other test equipment used on the ground to check the functioning and readiness of weapons systems. To the maximum extent possible, such equipment will be bought commercially, according to R. L. Gilbert of the Air Force Directorate of Maintenance Engineering.

NO CONFLICT IN ION-ENGINE PROJECTS of the Air Force and of NASA exists: it is a "complementary" relationship, according to Russell D. Shelton of the space agency's Marshall Space Flight Center. The details of the projects are "quite different" he states, so that there is no unnecessary duplication of effort.

PATENT-POLICY MODIFICATION, sought by the electronics industry particularly for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, may run into some new problems. NASA and the Defense Department have set up a joint board to coordinate space and air activities. Though the board has not stated that it will be involved in patent policy, its mere existence means, to some Congressional experts, that the two agencies can already act together to solve a number of the problems which were supposed to be taken care of in the last session's proposed Space Act modifications. If much of the Space Act, which passed the House but not the Senate, is thus shown to be unnecessary, a change in the restrictive patent provisions of the basic NASA law might have to be handled separately. This would be more difficult to push through Congress, particularly since Senate opposition to such a move wauld be stiff. Most recent Congressional action on patents-passage of the Coal Research and Helium Acts-incorporated patent provisions similar to the NASA rules.

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## NEWS

## Improved Missiles and Components Needed for Communications System

Better communications satellites to form synchronous $24-\mathrm{hr}$ world communications sys. tem await the development of more advanced missile technology and more reliable components, according to speakers at the Space Electronics and Telemetry Conference in Washing. ton, D.C.

Several areas for further study were outlined in papers by Clifford D. May Jr., of the Army's Chief Signal Officer's Office and by S. G. Lutz senior scientist at Hughes Research Laboratories. These areas included:

- Higher-output satellite power sources.
- Reliable satellite-stabilization systems.
- Improved methods for keeping satellites on station.
- Systems to make satellites less susceptible to interference.

Interference control was called crucial in Mr. Lutz's paper, if satellites are to be used on a frequency-sharing basis. If earth terminals are to work through surface frequencies without mutual interference, high-gain antennas with effective suppression of sidelobes are necessary, he said.

## Accuracy Is Our Policy .

In the story, "Firms Seek Ultrareliability for Minuteman" (ED, Sept. 14, p 4), we made an error which was based on erroneous information given to us by the Autonetics Div. of North American Aviation. The table on contributions showed Sprague Electric Co., North Adams, Mass., to have a contract for $\$ 1,260,000$ for solid and foil tantalum capacitors. This round figure actually represented only the solid tantalum capacitors. Sprague's contract calls for $\$ 1,263,356$ for solid tantalum and $\$ 1,700,596$ for foil tantalum capacitors, a total of $\$ 2,963,962$.

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## U.K. Electronic Exports to U.S. <br> Down $\$ 2$ Million over Last Year

Product

British exports of electronic products to the U.S. in the first quarter of this year totaled \$4:298,000, down 8 per cent from the same period of 1959, reports the Electronics Div. of the Business and Defense Services Administration, Dept. of Commerce.
United Kingdom shipments of electronic equipment and parts to the U.S. during JanuaryMarch of this year were at an annual rate of $\$ 20$ million, compared with $\$ 22$ million for 1959. Shipments of electronic phonographs achieved he highest percentage increase for the first quarter of 1960 compared with the same period in 1959, up 157 per cent to $\$ 100,000$, followed by the basket class "Other electronic products," up 127 per cent to $\$ 465,000$. Phonograph parts and accessories dropped by 60 per cent to $\$ 203,000$ in the first quarter of 1960 as compared to the first quarter of 1959. Electron-tube shipments fell 38 per cent to $\$ 391,000$, and radio receivers fell 19 per cent to $\$ 51,000$.
British exports of communications, navigation, and radar equipment to the U.S. rose from $\$ 441,-$ 000 to $\$ 638,000$, a 45 per cent increase.
Details of British exports of electronic products to the U.S. in the first quarter of 1960 and annual shipments for the years 1958 and 1959 are shown in the table.

## U.K. Exports of Electronic Products to the U.S. <br> January 1958-March 1960

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| TOTAL | 17,184 | 21,974 | 4,298 |
| Radio Receivers | 135 | 292 | 51 |
| Radio Phonographs | 304 | 232 | 83 |
| Speakers \& Microphones | 479 | 532 | 147 |
| Phonographs, electronic | 149 | 147 | 100 |
| Phonograph parts and accessories | 904 | 1,207 | 203 |
| Record playing mechanisms | 9,198 | 12,362 | 1,850 |
| With record changer | 8,678 | 11,739 | 1,797 |
| Less record changer | 520 | 623 | 53 |
| Electron tubes . . . . . . | 2,303 | 2,381 | 391 |
| Components and parts | 1,221 | 1,243 | 370 |
| Communications, navigation, and radar equipment | 1,388 | 2,178 | 638 |
| Other electronic products | 1,103 | 1,400 | 465 |

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Fewer garbled signals.
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## NEWS

# Airborne IR Seeker-Tracker Nears Completion 

Uses Array of 14 Gold-Doped Germanium Detectors, But Cadmium May Be Used as Future Doping Agent

AUNIQUE infrared seeker-tracker designed for anti-missile, anti-submarine warfare, and airborne reconnaissance systems is in advanced development at the Martin Co., Baltimore. Assembly of a prototype airborne unit for ICBM warning and decoy discrimination will be completed this month with flight testing due soon thereafter. According to Irving Distelhorst, in charge of the project, the seeker-tracker, flown at $50,000 \mathrm{ft}$, will detect ICBM exhaust plumes more than 1,000 nautical miles away and can discriminate between reentry bodies up to 100 miles away.

The entire detection system-including mirrors, detectors, amplifiers, and coolant-rotates as unit. Absence of relative motion between detectors and mirrors is said to eliminate the mirror blindness effects inherent in chopper-type systems. In addition, the spinning elements serve as the rotor in a gimbal-mounted, three-degree-offreedom gyro. Scanning, tracking and stabilization are accomplished by energizing torquers to precess the gyro. Slew rates of up to 20 deg per sec without overshoot and a wide variety of scan patterns are possible by this preces-sion-mode technique.

## Fourteen Detectors Arrayed Radially

An array of 14 detectors is used. These are gold-doped germanium units sensitive from 1 to 8.5 microns. Four of the detectors serve for tracking; input to the remaining units is individually restricted by interference-type filters to

CHOPPER SYSTEMS(TYPICAL)


Mirror blindness in optical chopping systems resulting from relative motion between mirrors and detectors is shown in diagram at left. By synchronizing rotation of mirror and detector, non-uniformities of mirror temperature are always seen by the same detector. As shown in diagram at right, target signals are thus readily identifiable as small increases in detector output.
provide 10 separate channels for target tempera ture discrimination. The detectors are arranged radially about the center of the image plane and are wedge shaped-widening out from 1 mm a their inner edges to 2 mm at the outside. Eac detector is 1 cm long and 1 cm thick. The tape compensates for defocusing of the image at pro gressively greater distances from the center and permits complete interception of the target imag by the detector. The $1-\mathrm{cm}$ thickness allows max imum possible absorption of the infrared.
This particular detector configuration can be readily modified for other applications. An earlier prototype used 24 zinc-doped germanium unit arranged along a diameter of the target plate Martin is also experimenting with microminiature arrays and has produced detectors as small a 50 microns square by a photo-etch process. Thus densely populated arrays, using a mixed variet of detectors and configurations could be incor porated into the seeker-tracker as necessary.

## Hushed Transistor Amplifiers Boost Output

Detector output is boosted by specially de signed hushed transistor amplifiers sensitive to microvolt-level signals. Circuit details are pro prietary, but the design includes two preamp and three amplifier stages.


Defectors and mirrors rotate in unison to eliminate mirror blindness effect in the seeker scanner. Rotating parts also act as a gyro for stabilization, tracking and scanning.

Rotating seeker-scanner for far infrared sees down to 40 microns. Unit shown is earlier version using Zincdoped germanium. New model being assembled for airborne use will have temperature-discriminating capability in the 1 to 8.5 micron range. Mirror is 12 in. across. Total weight of the device including electronics is about 75 lb

The detectors operate at liquid nitrogen temperatures. A Dewar flask stores sufficient coolant for 12 to 18 hours of airborne operation. Closedcycle cooling systems to permit satellite-borne operation of the seeker-tracker await development of suitable power sources. Martin is experimenting with cryostats for use with the system but has not been able to reach efficiencies greater than 200 of power per watt of cooling.
The cassegrain optical system includes a $12-\mathrm{in}$. primary mirror and has an aperture of $f / 1$. The mirrors are fabricated of honeycomb pyroceram. Maximum theoretical coverage is nearly $4 \pi$ steradians. However, this is sharply reduced in airborne applications by window size limitations. Infrared transmitting domes of the size required for full coverage do not appear feasible at this time.

## Rotation from 100 to 1,000 Rpm

Rotation can be varied from 100 to $1,000 \mathrm{rpm}$ as desired. Spinning parts are supported by double preloaded ball bearings; outputs are picked off by silver slip rings and beryllium brishes.

Martin is also developing several new detector muterials for possible use in advanced versions of the seeker-tracker. The most promising of th se is cadmium-doped germanium (about 10 pirts per million) which, according to Jack Lenni d, research engineer at Martin, appears to be


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as sensitive at liquid nitrogen temperatures conventional detectors are at liquid helium $t \mathrm{~m}$ peratures. The material is sensitive from 8 to 2 microns with a peak at 20 microns. Respens time is 1 msec or less.
The detector could be operated at liqui nitrogen temperatures if desired, but Mr. Len nard plans to use it under reduced aperture to cut background noise and to compensate for th reduction in target signal by operating at liçuid helium temperatures.

## Detectors Are Epitaxially Doped

The cadmium-doped material is being manu factured by an epitaxial-growth process, but Martin has not disclosed the type to vapor used to carry the dopant.
Other members of Mr. Lennard's 12-man re search group are investigating compensated double-doped germanium detectors. Arsenic and antimony secondary dopants are being used with a zinc primary doping agent. Response down to 40 microns has been achieved with zinc-doped detectors.
Miniature detector arrays for improved reso lution with individual units 25 microns squar are also being considered. Photoengraving and precision sandblasting techniques are among the fabrication schemes in development.

The seeker-tracker and detector programs are company-funded. However, Martin is preparing application proposals in such areas as reconnais. sance satellites, space navigation, anti-missile systems and ASW. Through use of the seeker tracker and improved detectors Martin expects to achieve performance equivalent to detection of a human being at 50 miles. -

## University of Wisconsin Buys Control Data 1604 Computer

A giant Control Data 1604 computer will soon be aiding researchers at the University of Wisconsin. The university has accepted a $\$ 500,000$ grant from the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation and an additional $\$ 400,000$ grant from the National Science Foundation towards purchase of the computer. Further support from the U.S. Army Mathematics Research Center on campus has completed the financing for the computing system which will cost more than $\$ 1$. 000,000.

The 1604 will be the largest university-owned computer in the U.S.

## Voice from the lonosphere Undergoes Testing at Eglin AFB

A new emergency communications system broadcasting from a radio transmitter rocketed 300 miles into the ionosphere in a successful test at Eglin AFB, Fla.

The project, named "Tat"e Tale," was being conducted by Air Research and Development Command's Wright Air Development Div. to determine the feasibility of using rockets to com-municate-by voice or code signal-over distances of several thousand miles in event enemy action destroys ground networks.
Although the system was developed for the Air Force by Hughes Aircraft Co. of Culver City, Calif., it is expected to have broad applications in the vast field of satellite communications.
"In the event of total war," said R. E. Wendahl, Hughes vice president, "it can be considered probable that many of the permanent ground communications installations may be destroyed or disrupted. 'Tattle Tale' is the solution we have developed for that problem."
Special eiectronic equipment was integrated into an Aerobee-300 sounding rocket and fired over the Eglin Gulf Test Range. Receiving stations were installed at Eglin; WADD, Dayton, Ohio; and the National Bureau of Standards, Boulder, Colo. In addition to ground receiving sites a WADD aircraft received a signal while flying over $40,000-\mathrm{ft}$ at San Antonio, Tex.

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ANEW method of reliable global communi cations by using orbital scatter for teletype voice, and TV was described in a paper pre sented by W. E. Morrow, Jr., of Massachusett Institute of Technology, at a meeting of the In ternational Scientific Radio Union in London.

The new technique uses the reflective proper ties of a belt of tiny metallic fibers, or dipoles about $1 / 2 \mathrm{in}$. long and one-third the diamete of a human hair, placed in orbit several thou sands of miles above the earth. Radio waves transmitted to the belt will be scattered back to earth where they can be picked up by radio receivers. Transmitting and receiving antennas wil be trained on the same spot in the belt. The re flective principle will be similar to that em ployed in ionospheric and tropospheric radi communications.

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With two such belts, one east-west over th Equator and one north-south over the Poles communications can be established between any


Two orbital scatter belts (one east-west over the equator and one north-south over the Poles) will relo radio messages over very long distances in communi cation system being developed by MIT Lincoln Laborotory. The tiny metallic fiber (dipoles) in the belts will be hundreds of feet apart.

## steio Use Orbital Scatter

 rated points. This technique offers promise of very high system reliability, since all of the active radio equipment is located on the ground and easily accessible for maintenance.It is estimated that within one to two months the dipoles will spread to form a continuous belt around the earth. In a completed belt, using the example described in the technical paper, it is calculated that the small fibers will be separated on the average by about $1,000 \mathrm{ft}$.
Orbital scatter appears to offer a number of advantages in long-distance radio communications. With two orbits, only two rockets will be required to provide practically world-wide coverage. The electronic and physical characteristics of the dipole belt will afford a very large number of communications circuits. Since the dipole belt will be relatively stationary in space, transmitting and receiving antennas on the ground can be trained continuously on the same spot in the belt with a movement of only a few degrees per day. This slow motion eliminates the need for high-speed tracking equipment. The lifetime of the belt can be varied from a matter of months to years, depending on the altitude and inclination of the orbit together with the dipole design. As the belt nears the end of its useful life, the dipoles will be dissipated harmlessly in the atmosphere. Belts with a relatively short lifetime are proposed for an initial experiment.

## Little Undesirable Change Seen

Theoretical studies have indicated that known phenomena such as solar radiation pressure, atmospheric friction, sun and moon gravitation, micrometeorites, magnetic-field effects, and the influence of high-energy particles will not produce excessive undesirable changes in the belt.
Computations, prepared on the hypothetical example discussed in the technical paper, have convinced MIT scientists that the dipoles in orbit will have negligible adverse effects both on the use of space, and on the various types of astrenomical observations-optical, radio, and radar. Discussions with other scientists and scientifi groups, including an Ad Hoc Committee of thi Space Science Board of the National Acaden of Sciences have reportedly confirmed this op vion. - -


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## Simplified Optical Reader Develuped; Makes Decisions in Reading Head

A simplified optical reading machine, which makes decisions in the reading head rather than with complex circuits, is claimed by Briggs Associates, Inc., Norristown, Pa.
The technique is adaptable to any type face with minor modifications of the machine, according to a Briggs spokesman. The device should permit reading speeds of 1,000 character: a second, he added, although this speed has not yet been achieved.
The new reading technique is expected to pernit low-cost readers to be produced without ext "mely precise tolerances on production. The con pany is preparing a line of reading equipme t to produce punched paper tape, punched car ls, or magnetic tape from source documents hav ing printed numerical digits.


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## EDITORIAL

## Let's Look at the Assumptions

"Let's look at the facts" is a common cry in the midst of an election campaign. But where the politician wants the voter to look at his facts alone, the engineer must get all of the facts.

And if we are to look at all of the facts, we must re-examine those minor facts all too frequently glossed over.
facts + assumptions + logical deductions $=$ solutions.
The excellence or soundness of the Engineering Solution will depend largely upon the second term of this equation. Assumptions encompass a vast area including the known and the unknown. Apparently engineers pride themselves in working with facts. The unknown can't be tolerated but it is too often assumed that the unknown is a negligible factor that can be ignored.

Let's examine some of these assumptions. One is environment is constant. The designer perfects a device which works well under controlled laboratory conditions but he doesn't allow for temperature, shock, and vibration extremes found outside the lab. Assumption number two that is unfounded: the operator can make minor calibration and trimming adjustments. Not many operators are as deft with a screwdriver as the engineer. A related assumption is that the human operator is a hydraheaded, multi-armed superman who can read simultaneously panel meters that are $6-\mathrm{ft}$ apart and $0.5-\mathrm{in}$. in diameter while tuning to a third harmonic.

Another assumption: a trained technician will always be on the spot to diagnose and repair the trouble. This latter assumption implies another: that electronic equipment will fail; that it is not expected to last. Fortunately our uncritical acceptance of this assumption is being challenged by the military which is insisting on a guaranteed number of trouble-free hours of operation.

We must re-examine our assumptions, not only regarding reliability of a product, but also looking at cost, accuracy, and ease of operation, to name just a few.

It is an old principle of law that when a man performs an act, he assumes the natural and logical consequences of that act. Let that apply to design. Let us, as design engineers, no longer assume that $A$ will never happen or that $X$ is too small a factor to be important. Let's look at our assumptions.


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## All-Pass Networks-Patr 1


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Response of Unipole and Duopole to Common Input Waveshapes.

| Waveshape | Time Response |  | Comments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unipole | Duopole |  |
| Impulse | Impulse | Impulse | Impulse output may be inverted. |
| Step | $h_{1}=1-2 e^{-u t}$ |  | 1) Critical damping for duopole is when $\mathrm{b}=0$. <br> 2) When $b=0$, duopole is equivalent to two, identical, cascaded unipoles. |
| Exponential $g(t)=e^{-c t}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{c} h_{1}=\frac{1}{1-\frac{c}{a}} \\ {\left[2 e^{-a t}-\left(1+\frac{c}{a}\right) e^{-c t}\right]} \\ \text { when } c \neq a \end{array}\right] \begin{gathered} h_{1}=(1-2 t) e^{-a t} \\ \text { when } c=0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} h_{2} & =\frac{4 a c e^{-a t}}{(a-c)^{2}+b^{2}} \\ & +e^{-c t}\left\{\left[1-\frac{4 a c}{(a-c)^{2}+b^{2}}\right] \cos b t\right. \\ & \left.-4 \frac{a}{b}\left[\frac{a(a-c)+b^{2}}{(a-c)^{2}+b^{2}}\right] \sin b t\right\} \end{aligned}$ | 1) For small $c$, response is essentially step response times exponential waveshape. <br> 2) For large $C$. response is just impulse response (i.e. unity) times input exponential. |
| Rectangular Pulse of unity amplitude for $0 \leq t \leq t_{0}$ | $\begin{aligned} & h_{1}= 1-2 e^{-a t} \\ & \text { when } 0 \leq t \leq t_{0} \\ & h_{1}=2 e^{-a t}\left(e^{a t}-1\right) \\ & \text { when } t>t_{0} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & h_{2}= 1-4 \frac{a}{b} e^{-a t} \sin b t \\ & \text { when } 0 \leq t \leq t_{0} \\ & h_{2}= 4 \frac{a}{b} e^{-a t} \\ & {\left[e^{-a t} \sin _{0} b\left(t-t_{0}\right)-\sin b t\right] } \\ & \text { when } t>t_{0} \end{aligned}$ | 1) Unipole responds to input transients as does R-C or R-L hi-pass filier. <br> 2) For duration of the input pulse, response is same as for step input. |

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WHEN PHASE characteristics and transien response are important, the all-pass, or phase-shift, network is a valuable tool to the designer.
Some of the advantages of these networks are:

1) They permit phase control over a narrow or wide band anywhere in the spectrum.
2) They produce no attenuation (ideally)
3) They are easily realizable in either bal anced or unbalanced form.
4) They can be cascaded indefinitely without interaction.
5) Any all-pass characteristic can be expressed as a cascade of simple forms (that is, sections), and the network written down by inspection.
6) For some application, such as delay networks, they permit the greatest theoretical component economy.
7) An arbitrary amplitude characteristic can be combined with an arbitrary phase characteristic and a time delay. Conventional filters and networks are generally of the minimum phaseshift type (phase and amplitude characteristics are interdependent, and specification of one completely determines the other).
8) By using single sections as successive approximations to the difference between the actual phase shift and the desired phase shift, design effort can be broken into a sequence of simple steps.

## Advantages Can Be Disadvantages

There are certain restrictions on the use of phase-shift networks. The disadvantages are similar to the advantages, but are viewed from a different angle. For instance:

1) Because all-pass networks have no attenuation, other networks must be used in order to produce a non-flat amplitude characteristic.
2) A great number of sections may have to be used for elaborate shaping.
3) Except for extremely high frequencies, there is a finite delay through any all-pass network, (in fact, through any network containing inductors and capacitors). This delay generally increases with the complexity of the network. and may be objectionable in some applications. ( In many applications, delay is desirable.) These networks will be developed in two forms suggested by two simple transfer functions that produce phase shift without attenuation.

## Properties of Transfer Functions

Any lumped parameter network has a transfer function that is a quotient of two polynominals. For no attenuation at any frequency, the absolute value of this quotient must be unity for real frequencies and the transfer function must be of the form:

$$
\begin{equation*}
F(s)=\frac{P(-s)}{P(+s)} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $P$ is a polynomial.
Becaúse all poles of a passive network must lie in the left half plane, all the zeros of the all-pass network must lie in the right half plane. In fact the zeros are the reflections of the poles about the imaginary axis. (The poles are the

ig. 2. Graph illustrates the response of unipoles and duopoles to step functions.

roots of $\boldsymbol{P}(+s)$, the zeros are the roots of $\boldsymbol{P}(-s)$.)
The reflection coefficient of an all-pass network is zero, by definition, so that any number may be cascaded without interaction, provided they have the same characteristic impedance.

The characteristic impedance for all frequencies is constant and resistive, which is quite different from the behavior of networks having attenuation. (The usual figure given for the characteristic impedance of filters and networks is the limit as the center of the passband is approached.)
This permits the development of any all-pass network as a cascade of two simple forms, one representing a real pole and associated zero and the other two poles and two zeros symmetrical to the poles.

The simplest all-pass network has a transfer function:

$$
\begin{equation*}
F(s)=\frac{a-s}{a+s} \quad a>0 \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

## Unipole Gives 0-180 Deg Phase Shift

Eq. 2 shows that the zero frequency phase shift is zero, and the infinite frequency phase shift is 180 deg. The phase shift can always be shifted by 180 deg by reversing the output terminals.
The response to an arbitrary input waveshape can be calculated by either of the following equations:
$h(t)=-g(t)+2 a e^{-a t} \int_{0}^{t} g(\tau) e^{a \tau} d \tau$
$h(t)=g(t)-2 g\left(0^{+}\right) e^{-a t}-2 e^{-a t} \int_{0}^{t} g^{\prime}(\tau) e^{a \tau} d \tau(3 \mathrm{~b})$
where $\tau$ is a dummy time variable.
In Eq. 3, $\boldsymbol{h}(t)$ is the output wave shape, $g(t)$ is the input waveshape, and $g(\tau)$ is the derivative of $g(\tau)$. Eq. 3 b shows that the response to a
step $\left(g^{\prime}(\tau)=0, g(\tau)=1\right)$ at the input is an exponential rise of twice the amplitude of the input, with a time constant of $1 / a$.

The other elementary phase-shift network has a transfer function:

$$
\begin{equation*}
F(s)=\frac{(s-a)^{2}+b^{2}}{(s+a)^{2}+b^{2}} \quad a, b \geqslant 0 \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

For this network there is no phase inversion wither at zero or at infinity. Corresponding to Eq. 3, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \begin{aligned}
& h(t)= g(t)-4 a e^{-a t} \int_{0}^{t} g(\tau) e^{a r} \\
&= {\left[\cos b(t-\tau)-\frac{g}{b} \sin b(t-\tau)\right] d t } \\
& r e^{-a t} \int_{0}^{t} g(\tau) e^{a r} \\
& \sin (b t-b \tau-\theta+180) d \tau
\end{aligned} \\
& \text { where } \quad r^{2}=a^{2}+b^{2} \text { and } \tan \theta=a / b
\end{aligned}
$$

## Sharp Transients Not Delayed

From the response equations we see that any abrupt change of voltage at the input produces an immediate change of the output by the same amount, so that sharp transients are not delayed. (At $t=0$, all of the integrals are zero, and the output is equal to the input).
If it is essential that transients be suppressed, as for delay line use, it would be necessary to add a low-pass filter or to provide for interference suppression, (as used, for example, in the Ferranti lumped parameter delay lines.)
In the single-pole all-pass network, the parameter, $a$, is the frequency for which the phase shift is exactly 90 deg.
In the duopole, the two-pole network, $\omega=r=\sqrt{a^{2}+b^{2}}$ is the angular frequency for which the phase shift is exactly 180 deg and $a$ is equal to half the bandwidth between points


Fig. 3. Response of unipoles and duopoles to exponential functions.
of 90 deg phase-shift and 270 deg phase-shift. (Note that this bandwidth is not centered on
$\omega=\sqrt{a^{2}+b^{2}}$
but is centered on
$\omega=\sqrt{\left.2 a^{2}+b^{2}\right)}$.

## Networks Realized in Three Forms

The two basic phase shift networks can be realized in either a balanced lattice, a tee or a pi, as shown in Fig. 1.

The pi network can be realized only by the use of a negative capacitance. The tee networks require negative inductances, which are readily obtained with mutual inductances.
The tee form of the unipole is especially convenient, because the inductors may be combined when cascading a number of sections, thus physically simplifying the construction. A simplification of structure is possible by using a degenerate duopole ( $b=0$ ) in place of two identical cascaded unipoles.

## Response to Common Waveshapes

The response of the unipole and the duopole to various common waveforms is indicated in the Table and Figs. 2 to 4.

By using the pulse response or the step response, time-function computation can be done rapidly, simply and fairly accurately by graphical means. The input time waveform is broken into a superposition of rectangular pulses or steps and the response to them added, a procedure very similar to graphical integration.

The techniques are identical to those used in simple pulsed data systems, where an input is impulse modulated, passed through a clamper and then through a smoothing filter. For a sufficiently high-modulation frequency, the result is
an accurate, but delayed, representation of the input.

## Effect of Cascading Unipoles

The result of passing a unit step through a cascade of $\boldsymbol{n}$ identical unipoles is:

$$
h_{n}=(-1)^{n+1}+(-1)^{n} e^{-a t} P_{n-1}(a t)
$$

where $P_{n-1}$ is a polynominal in (at) of $(n-1) t_{1}$ degree. The coefficient of $(a t)^{n-1}$ is $2^{n} /(n-1)$ !, which goes to zero as $n$ increases. The constant term in $P_{n-1}$ is 2 for odd $n$ and 0 for even $n$.

All responses feature an initial spike followed by a sequence of oscillations, with $n-1$ extremes separated by an increasing time, as shown in Fig. 5.
This suggests that inclusion of a low-pass network (before or after the unipoles) would have little effect on the response beyond a certain time, $t$, depending on $a$ and on the cut-off frequency of the low-pass characteristic.

This also suggests a study of the effects of restricting inputs to low-frequency signals. (A major purpose of the low pass filter is the elimination of the initial spike generated by fast rising inputs.) This study will lead to a convenient approximation to the network's time domain response to practical waveshapes.

## Band Limited Inputs Practical

An all-pass network has a transmission characteristic that can be expressed as $e^{-\jmath \phi(\omega)}, \phi(\omega)$ being the phase shift. If the input to this network were band-limited, with limit $\omega_{0}$ (which may be arbitrarily large as long as it is finite), then the output would be:

$$
\begin{equation*}
h(t)=\int_{-\omega_{0}}^{\omega_{0}} G(j \omega) e^{-j \phi(\omega)} e^{j \omega t} d \omega \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

G (jw) is the Fourier transform of the input.

Fig. 4. (Top) Response of a unipole to a pulse. (Bottom) response of a duopole to a pulse when $\mathrm{a} b=\sqrt{ } 3$. Response to leading edge is like response to step function.



Fig. 5. Response of cascaded unipoles to step function.

## Terms and Symbols

A. All time-dependent functions are designated by small letters, such as $g(t)$, $h(t)$.
B. All frequency-dependent functions are designated by capital letters, such as $G(w), H(w)$.
C. All time-dependent functions are assumed to be zero for $\mathrm{t}<0$.
D. Network inputs are $g(f)$ and $G(w)$.
E. Network outputs are $h(t)$ and $H(w)$.
F. Network response to a unit impulse is designated by $H()$ and $F(w)$.
G. If the output of a network has infinite amplitude when the input waveform is $k e^{-0} \sin ^{\text {in }}$ (k is any number) then the network has a pole at $s=a+i w$, and conversely. For all networks under discussion, a is negative.
$H$. If the output of a network has zero amplitude when the input waveform is $k e^{-0} \sin$ wt (k is any number) then the network has a zero at

It is not necessary to know $G$ ( $j w)$. Because $\phi$ is an odd function of frequency, it can be expanded afound the origin into a power series with only odd terms. For the unipole and duopole, the series take the form

$$
\begin{aligned}
\phi_{1}= & 2 \arctan \frac{\omega}{a} \\
= & 2\left[\frac{\omega}{a}-\frac{1}{3} \frac{\omega^{3}}{a^{3}}+\frac{1}{5} \frac{\omega^{5}}{a^{5}}-\ldots .\right] \\
\phi_{2}= & 2 \arctan \frac{2 a \omega}{r^{2}-\omega^{2}} \\
= & 2 \arctan \left[\frac{a}{r} \tan \left(2 \arctan \frac{\omega}{r}\right)\right] \\
= & \frac{4 a}{r}\left[\frac{\omega}{r}+\frac{\omega^{3}}{r^{3}}\left(1-\frac{4}{3} \frac{a^{2}}{r^{2}}\right)\right. \\
& +\frac{\omega^{6}}{r^{5}}\left(1-4 \frac{a^{2}}{r^{2}}+\frac{16}{5} \frac{a^{4}}{r^{4}}\right) \\
& +\frac{\omega^{7}}{r^{7}}\left(1-\frac{8 a^{2}}{r^{2}}+\frac{16 a^{4}}{r^{4}}-\frac{64}{7} \frac{a^{6}}{r^{6}}\right)+ \\
& \text { where } r^{2}=a^{2}+b^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Both expansions converge very rapidly for small ${ }^{\prime \prime} / a$, and for many purposes no more than four lerms need be taken.
By using the series expansions for $\phi$, we can express the output in a somewhat different form: une that makes it fairly suitable for graphical alculation. Because:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\phi=\alpha \omega+\beta \omega^{3}+\gamma \omega^{5}+ \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

e can substitute it into Eq. 10
$h(t)=\int_{-\omega_{0}}^{\omega_{0}} G(j \omega) e^{j \omega(t-\alpha)} e^{-j\left(\beta \omega^{8}+\alpha \gamma^{b}+\right.}$
ad make use of the rapidly converging expan-
$s=a+i w$, and conversely. For zeros, a may be any real number.
I A section is a four terminal network which cannot be divided into a cascade of two simpler four terminal networks.
J. A network transfer function is a frequencydependent function whose value at frequency, s , is the ratio of output to input voltage when the input is of frequency s.
K. An all-pass (or phase shift) network is a four terminal network whose transfer function has an absolute value of unity. There is, therefore, no attenuation of a sine wave through such a network.
L. A unipole is an all-pass section with one pole and one zero
M. A duopole is an all-pass section with two poles and two zeros.
sion for $e^{z}$

$$
\begin{align*}
h(t)= & \int_{\omega-0}^{\omega_{0}} G(j \omega) e^{j \omega(t-\alpha)}\left[1-j \beta \omega^{3}\right.  \tag{15}\\
& \left.\quad-j \gamma \omega^{5}-\frac{\beta^{2}}{2} \omega^{6}-j d \omega^{7} \ldots\right] d \omega \\
= & \int_{-\omega_{0}}^{\omega_{0}} G(j \omega) e^{j \omega(t-\alpha)} d x \\
& \quad-j \beta \int_{-\omega_{0}}^{\omega_{0}} \omega^{3} G(j \omega) e^{j \omega(t-\alpha)} d \omega+\ldots
\end{align*}
$$

Eq. 15 has a simple interpretation: The first integral is just $g(t-\alpha)$, the input delayed by $a$ seconds. (This is the response of an ideal delay line.) The second integral is the third derivative of $\beta g(t-\alpha)$, and so forth.
Because we have restricted the bandwidth of the input, this series of derivatives converges rapidly, and not too many terms are needed.
For the unipole $\alpha=2 / a, \beta=-2 / 3 a^{8}$ and $\gamma=2 / 5 a^{5}$, so that:

$$
\begin{gathered}
h_{1}(t)=g(t-2 / a)+\frac{2}{3 a^{8}} g^{(3)}(t-2 / a) \\
-\frac{2}{5 a^{6}} g^{(5)}(t-2 / a)
\end{gathered}
$$

and for the duopole,

$$
\begin{gathered}
h_{2}(t)=g\left(t-4 a / r^{2}\right)+\frac{4 a}{r^{4}}\left(1-4 a^{2} / 3 r^{2}\right)(16 \mathrm{~b}) \\
g^{(3)}\left(t-4 a / r^{2}\right)-\ldots
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\text { Where } \quad g^{(n)}=\frac{d^{n} g}{d t^{n}} .
$$

Therefore, for an input waveshape to a phaseshift network, the output waveform may be determined exactly, but at great pain, using Eqs. 3 and 5, or approximately, and more conveniently, with Eq. 16. (The approximation may be made arbitrarily precise by taking more and more terms.) - -

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# A Simple Technique for Recovering Low-Frequency Data From Magnetic Tape 




#### Abstract

John L. Janning, works in the Advanced Projects Department of the National Cash Register Co., Dayton, Ohio. He didn't like the idea of using special playback heads and techniques to recover low-frequency data from magnetic tape, so he developed his own technique for use with conventional playback heads.


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ASIMPLE method permits recovery of dc and low-frequency data from magnetic tape using standard playback heads. Normally, special heads or techniques-such as fm recording-are required.
The method is to sample the signals on the tape by recording a pulsating dc-like the output of an unfiltered half-wave rectifier-over the signal. The effect is to amplitude modulate the pulses with the waveform of the low-frequency signal.

The information now can be extracted from the tape because the flux is varying at a rate sufficient to activate the standard playback head.

The extracted waveform need only be detected to yield the original data.

If data are recorded at high and low frequencies, the tape must be played back twice to recover all the data stored. The first playback recovers all high frequency components. Then, the tape is "developed" by recording the pulsating dc. The second playback, after "developing," yields the low-frequency components.

## The Developing Procedure

Fig. 1 shows a typical recording curve. For linear recording, the dc bias, on the basis of this curve, should be 1.2 ma , and the recording current should not exceed 0.8 ma peak-to-peak. This keeps the recorded signal on the linear part of the curve.

The developing pulses must be in the same di-


Fig. 1. A typical recording curve. Recording currents normally are restricted to those on the linear part of the curve.
rection as the dc bias was when recording. How ever, during the developing process, no bias is used. The amplitude of the pulses should almost equal that required to reach saturation on the curve.
The circuit used to generate the pulses and apply them to the tape is shown in Fig. 2.

The optimum developing frequency gives maximum output with a particular head. However, the higher the developing frequency the higher the frequency that can be extracted from the tape by the process.

The reason is that at least six points are required to plot one cycle of a sine wave, and each developing pulse touches the recorded waveform at one point. Hence, the highest frequency that can be recovered is about $1 / 6$ the developing frequency.

## Experimental Resulis

Signals from de to 10 kc were recorded with a bias of 1.2 ma and a peak-to-peak current variation about 10 per cent less than the permissible 0.8 ma .

The frequency of the developing pulses was chosen as 3 kc and the highest recorded frequency that could be extracted by developing was 500 cps .

It was found that frequencies between 50 and 500 cps could be extracted from the tape by conventional playback or the developing process. The conventional playback extracted frequencies from 50 cps to 10 kc , and the developing process extracted signals from dc to 500 cps .

Fig. 3, top, shows a $1 / 2$-cps square wave after the developing process and playback but before detection. It is superimposed on the 3-kc developing signal. A 4.5-cps square wave is shown at bottom. A 20 -cps sine wave is shown in Fig. 4. undetected, at top, and detected at bottom. . .


Fig. 2. The circuit used to generate de pulses and apply them to recording head.


Fig. 3. (Top) A $1 / 2$-cps square wave (the recorded data) superimposed on the pulses used to "develop" the tape. (Bottom) A similarly treated $4.5-\mathrm{cps}$ square wave.


Fig. 4. (Top) A $20-\mathrm{cps}$ sine wave (the recorded data) superimposed on the pulses used to "develop" the tape. (Bottom) The $20-\mathrm{cps}$ wave after detection.

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# A Suggestion for a Standard Method of Measuring Intermodulation 



Intermodulation distortion is always good for an argument when considering measurements. So far, there is no standard method of measuring this distortion, and different methods can give different re-sults-none of them necessarily wrong. Herbert $\mathbf{F}$. Spirer and Douglas E. MacLaughlin offer a simple, substitution technique that they hope might be considered for adoption as a standard method of measuring intermodulation distortion. The method is to compare distortion voltage to an equivalent voltage at specified frequencies.

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ASIMPLE substitution technique can be applied to the measurement of intermodulation distortion in the range 2-32 mc. The technique avoids many common sources of error and gives the measurement a high repeatability.
The precision-or repeatability-of the measurement is about $\pm 1 / 2 \mathrm{db}$. A specification of accuracy is a little more complicated. The reason is that the measurement of intermodulation distortion is not standardized. A test may use different frequencies or a different principle than that suggested here.
However, a safe statement on accuracy is: for the two fundamental frequencies used here, the accuracy is as good as that of the instruments used.
The simplicity of the suggested test procedure makes it convenient to set up and maintain, and, conceivably, to adopt as a standard measurement. The method is based on the definition of this type of distortion.

Intermodulation distortion is the most commonly specified type that results from a device's nonlinearity. When two signals of frequencies $f_{1}$ and $f_{2}$ appear in a nonlinear circuit, product frequencies of the form $f_{p}= \pm m f_{1} \pm n f_{2}$ are formed for all combinations of integral $m$ and $n$. The order of a given product is defined as $m+n$.

For equipment evaluation purposes, it is customary to consider only second and third order products. There are two second order products, $f_{1}+f_{2}$ and $f_{1}-f_{2}$, and three or four third order products depending on the relative frequencies.

One practice is to specify the maximum output amplitude of a distortion product of a given order, referred to the output amplitude of the fundamental signal. The amplitude of the input signal also is specified, and it is convenient, but certainly not necessary, to give measurement frequencies.

## Two Generators Give Test Signals

The principle of the recommended test procedure is illustrated by the simplified block diagram of Fig. 1. Signal generators SG1 and SG2 give the two input signals. They are connected at

FL1, a filter that attenuates frequency products in the generator output. The resultant signal is fed to the unit under test.
The test-unit output passes through $F L 2$, which attenuates the fundamental frequencies, and is detected by a receiver tuned to the appropriate product frequency.
Meter M1 can be switched to determine the level of either the input or output signals. Meter M2 reads the receiver if signal.
The distortion product voltage is measured in the following manner.

## Generator Signal Substituted

The gain of the receiver is adjusted so M2 indicates a convenient value. The input to FL2 is switched from the test unit to that of signal generator, SG3. The output of SG3 is then adjusted so M2 indicates the same value obtained with the test unit in the circuit.
This reading is the desired product voltage. Its ratio to the fundamental output voltage, expressed in decibels, is then an indication of the nonlinearity of the test unit.
Two auxiliary checks may be made to confirm the validity of the test just described.

First, the variable attenuator VA1 may be used to reduce the input to the test unit by known amounts. If, for instance, the input is reduced by 1 db , the receiver output should drop by 2 db when a second order product is being investi gated, or by 3 db in the case where a third order product is being investigated.

## Receiver's Tuning is Checked

The success of this test assures that the receiver is correctly tuned (that is, that the product signal
inder observation is not of improper orderproduced by a combination of signals from different orders that happen to fall at the same frequency, or produced by some part of the test setup other than the test unit itself).
The second is known as the "residual" test. The test unit is removed from the circuit and replaced by VA2, a variable attenuator with the same apparent gain as the test unit.
(If the test unit is an amplifier it is preceeded and followed by pads, so a low gain amplifier will have an overall gain of less than unity. A high-gain amplifier simply is replaced by a short circuit.
This provides a check on the linearity of the system excluding the test unit. If the test setup is operating correctly, the distortion product as read by $M 2$, should drop by 20 db or more.

## Preliminary Tests Increase Accuracy

These two tests, performed for every measurement, greatly reduce the probability of an incorrect reading. If the apparatus passes the tests, one can be reasonably sure that the setup is operating properly.
A complete block diagram of the setup is shown in Fig. 2, and a list of equipment in Table 1. The impedance of the system is either 50 or 75 ohms, depending on the test unit impedance.
Because the output impedance of all three signal generators is nominally 50 ohms, imped-ance-matching pads will be required for the signal generators if the test unit impedance is 75 ohms. All pads, coaxial cables, etc., should be chosen to make the vswr as low as possible.
H1 is a "hybrid" transformer providing isolation between SG1 and SG2, with minimum attenuation of the transmitted signal. Resistive isolation also may be used, although it is not always sufficient.

## Test Switch Has Four Positions

All switching is performed with the "switch box," whose circuit diagram is shown in Fig. 3. There are four switch positions: position 1 is for measurement of the input level to the test unit; position 2 for the distortion measurement; position 3 for the residual test; and position 4 for the calibration of M2 by SG3.
Three pairs of input frequencies are used: 9 and $12 \mathrm{mc}, 21$ and 30 mc , and 6.2 and 8.4 mc . The second order product frequencies are 21 mc , ${ }^{9} \mathrm{mc}$, and 2.2 mc , respectively. The third order product frequencies are $30 \mathrm{mc}, 12 \mathrm{mc}$, and 4 mc , 'spectively.
This choice of frequencies covers the band and inimizes the number of filters required for $F L 1$ and FL2 (the $15-\mathrm{mc}$ low-pass and $17-\mathrm{mc}$ highlass filters are interchanged for the 9-12 and

Fig. 1. Simplified block diagram of test set-up. SG stands for signal generator, FL for filter, $M$ for meter, and $\checkmark$ A for variable attenuator.


Fig. 2. Complete block diagram of test set-up. Equipment is specified in table.

Fig. 3. Schematic diagram of switch box of Fig. 2.



Fig. 4. Nomogram for calculating distortion figure. Pass a stra gur ine through the measured values of fundamental voltage ( $e_{f}$ ) and product voltage ( $e_{p}$ ). Read distortion figure (D).
$21-30 \mathrm{mc}$ fundamental frequency pairs). The filters used for each measurement are indicated in Table 2.

## Same Test for all Frequencies

The following test procedure has been found to be rapid and convenient. The procedure is essentially the same for each of the three frequency pairs (after inserting the appropriate frequency and filter combinations). It will be described only for the $9-12 \mathrm{mc}$ fundamental pair and the second order product 21 mc .

SG1 and SG2 are set to 9 and 12 mc respectively. With the switch box in position 1, SGl and SG2 are turned on and adjusted one at a time. The gain of each is set so the input to the test unit is the desired value-in the neighborhood of $1 / 4 \mathrm{v}$.

Then, the switch box is set to position 2, and the test unit output voltage is read on M1. (This
voltage is measured after a pad, but, because the pad is linear and the product voltage is measured at the same point, a true indication of the distortion is obtained.)
The receiver is tuned to 21 mc , the product signal located, and the receiver gain set at a convenient value, about 20 db as measured on M2. VAl then is adjusted so the input is reduced by 1 db . This should reduce by 2 db the signal measured by M 2 .

## Generator Set to Product Frequency

The switch box then is set to position 3. The reading of $M 2$ should drop by at least 20 db . Finally, the switch box is set to position 4. SG3 is set to 21 mc , and its output adjusted so M2 reads 20 db . The product voltage then is read from the appropriate dial of SG3.
Fig. 4 is a nomogram that gives the distortion figure once the output fundamental and product

Table 1. List of Test Equipment

| No. of pieces | Ckt. diag. designafion | Description | Manufacture: and Mod. No. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SG } 1, \\ & \text { SG } 2, \end{aligned}$ | Signal generator | Measurements Corp. Mod. 6t.B |
| 1 | SG 3 | Signal generator | Measurements Corp. Mod. 80 or 65-B. |
| 1 | H 1 | Hybrid transiormer | Trak Electronics Co., Wilton, Conn |
| 1 |  | 15 mc low-pass filter |  |
| 1 | (see <br> Table 2) | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \mathrm{mc} \\ & \text { high-pass } \\ & \text { filter } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 1 |  | 6 mc high pass filter |  |
| 1 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 4 \mathrm{mc} \\ & \text { ow-pass } \end{aligned}$ filter |  |
| 7 | P 3, P 4, <br> P6, P 7 , <br> P8, P 9, <br> P 10 | 50 or 75 ohm, 6 db attenuator | Applied Research, Inc. HFA-50 or HFA-75 |
| 3 | $\begin{gathered} \text { P } 1, ~ P ~ \\ P \end{gathered}$ | 50 or 50-75 ohm 6 db attenuator | Measurement Corp. |
| 1 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SWITCH } \\ & \text { BOX } \end{aligned}$ | Switch box | (see Fig. 3) |
| 1 | RECEIVER | Distortion product detection receiver | Any receiver covering $2-32 \mathrm{mc}$ such as National NC. 125, Hammarlund SP-600, etc. |
| 1 | M 1 | VTVM | Boonton Electronics 91C or 91CA. |
| 1 | D 1 | High-impedance diode probe | Boonton Electronics |
| 1 | M 2 | VTVM | Ballantine 361 or equiv. |
| 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { VA } 1, \\ & \text { VA } 2 \end{aligned}$ | 50 or 75 ohm variable attenuator | Daven 651-50 or 651-75 |

Various lengths of 50 or 75 ohm coaxial cable, connectors, etc.
voltages are known. The equation upon which this nomogram is based is:

$$
D=20 \log _{10}\left(e_{p} / e_{f}\right)-A
$$

where $D$ is the distortion figure in decibels, $e_{p}$ is the fundamental voltage.

Table 2. Measurement Frequency and

| Fundamental pair (Mc.) | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} 2^{\text {nd }} \\ \text { order } \\ \text { product } \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\begin{gathered} 3^{\text {rdd }} \\ \text { order } \\ \text { product } \end{gathered}$ | Filters |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | FL 1 | FL 2 |
| 9 and 12 | 21 | 30 | $15 \mathrm{mc}$ lo-pass | $17 \mathrm{mc}$ hi-pass |
| 21 and 30 | 9 | 12 | $\begin{gathered} 17 \mathrm{mc} \\ \text { hi-pass } \end{gathered}$ | $15 \mathrm{mc}$ lo-pass |
| 6.2 and 8.4 | 2.2 | 4 | $\begin{aligned} & 6 \mathrm{mc} \\ & \text { hi-pass } \end{aligned}$ | $4 \mathrm{mc}$ \|lo-pass |

The term $A$ is inserted to account for attenuation between SG3 and the point where input and output voltages nominally are measured. $A$ is the amount of this attenuation (measured by P 6) in decibels. (There is provision on the output dial of the model 80 signal generator for taking account of the $6-\mathrm{db}$ pad.)
There are several possible sources of error. These are not inherent in the test itself, but rather in the operator, who needs a little experience to ascertain what particular misconnection, omission, etc., is producing an erroneous result.

## Possible Errors Cifed

If there were insufficient input, it could be that the 15 and 17 mc filters had been reversed. If there were too much input when calibrating SG1 or SG2 individually, or if the signal were not varying with the gain control of either SG1 or SG2, it could be that both generators were turned on inadvertently.
On the other hand, if only one generator were on during the distortion test it could be impossible to find a product. If the "input reduction" test does not give the correct result, the receiver could be tuned to the wrong signal, or it even could be tuned to a signal produced outside the apparatus.
In general, it is a good idea to check the setting of the switch at every step, and also to make sure the receiver is peaked, etc., because the equipment may drift during the test.

The coaxial cable leads should be as short as prossible, especially at the point marked on Fig. 2. For a reasonable arrangement of equipment on the test bench, relatively long leads are permissible at the points marked in Fig. 2.

The vswr in the system should be minimal. This can be checked by standard methods. All neters should be calibrated and checked for frequency response, etc. For convenience and higher re jeatability, the gain control on the receiver slould be as smooth as possible and as stable as possible. - -

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## Test Equipment:

## Types and Characteristics




#### Abstract

A. J. Reynolds, general manager of Technical Information Corp., has been associated with instruments and their manufacturers for 19 years. At TIC, he is in charge of compiling a voluminous Directory of Technical Specifications. In this first of a series of articles for Electronic Design, Mr. Reynolds describes what makes meters run. The next article will deal with oscilloscopes and oscillographs. Part 3 of the series will describe frequency meters. Subsequent articles will deal with phase meters, uattmeters, signal generators, etc.


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METERS come in enough sizes, shapes and sufficiently overlapping characteristics to make a choice among them difficult.
They are among the oldest types of measuring instruments and, like many apparently simple devices, can be used incorrectly if their operation is not understood.
Meters often are regarded as the electrical equivalent of the 6 -in. rule. That is, the assumption is made that their accuracy is that of the mechanical division of the scale. Nothing could be further from the truth. The lowly panel meter has a tolerance on accuracy and most manufacturers take all of it.
Meter accuracy usually is quoted as $\pm P$ per cent, meaning per cent of full scale. The performance of a practical movement is more nearly described by the type of specification used by the British Standards Association.
A typical B. S. Spec. for meter movements reads: accuracy $\pm 1$ per cent of the reading from full scale to half scale, $\pm 4$ per cent of full scale from half scale to one-tenth scale, no specification limit below one-tenth scale. The British method of specification is not necessarily advocated, but is offered as an example to illustrate the behavior of meters.
The moral is, of course, always choose a range
where deflection above half scale can be achieved, unless, as the doctors say, it is contraindicated by such considerations as current drain or a resulting need to make measurements on two ranges.
In most pointer meters the long-term accuracy and physical ruggedness is a function of spring strength. When the manufacturer has made the best magnet he knows how, and wound the coil with the maximum practical number of turns of the finest wire available, the only way he can improve sensitivity is to weaken the springs.
In the case of standards, that extra low milliampere range, specified but not really needed, can cost dear in terms of permanence of calibration. Generally, when considering high-grade instruments of the laboratory standard type, the more power they consume the better the permanence of their calibration.
Most ac meters, including vtvm's, are calibrated in terms of rms, but only moving iron, dynamometer, thermal and electrostatic instruments contain an $e^{2}$ term in their equation, and, hence, respond to this quantity.
Instruments containing rectifiers will respond to half-wave average, full-wave average or peak unless the rectifier circuit has been tailored to give an rins response. With these instruments, unless the input is a sine wave, a waveform error will result that may be a large percentage error. A peak-reading instrument, to choose just one example, will display the same deflectionapparent rms value-for a sine, sawtooth, and
pulse if their peak amplitudes are the same.
The important characteristic of a vtvm is its high input impedance, not, as is often thought, its wide frequency response. At least three other types of voltmeter-the thermocouple, electrostatic and diode-have a comparable frequency response and as good or better accuracy.
The thermocouple and diode types are inherently low-impedance devices, while the electrostatic rapidly becomes so as frequency rises, particularly in the most sensitive ranges. The high impedance of the vtvm is often bought at a price that includes inaccuracy, bad waveform error and drift at both ends of the scale.
Thermocouple meters have many desirable qualities. They are inherently sensitive, have wide frequency range and are square law or true rms reading. However, being square law in response, they also burn out as the square of the current. Because a sensitive thermoelectric junction in a vacuum has extremely low thermal inertia, it dies quickly and with no fuss, even upon a transient overload; not even a bent pointer remains as evidence of the crime.
Another class of thermal instrument is the hotwire movement; this is not listed on the chart because it is virtually obsolete.
Although not covered here, a separate class of voltage-measuring devices is represented by potentiometers. They are by far the most accurate means of measuring voltage, but generally are suitable only for calibration because they are inconvenient to operate.

## The Characteristics Of Analog Meters*

The bars indicating frequency range are divided into three sections. Solid lines indicate commercially available frequency range; broken lines indicate frequency coverage available on special order; dotted lines indicate that covering these frequencies would be too expensive and difficult for a practical instrument of the designated type.

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# Summing-Core Logic Yields Digital-Circuit Flexibility 



> The magnetic core, says Reuben Wasserman, is the nost natural computer-logic element. Used with the technique of flux summation, the core provides an extremely versatile component.
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SUMMING-CORE logic, using multiple-input windings on conventional cores, offers a high degree of flexibility in digital circuitry. The sum-ming-core technique is unusual in that it offers increased flexibility at negligible cost since it takes advantage of physical properties of magnetic cores. <br> \section*{Core Threshold Level <br> \section*{Core Threshold Level <br> Determines Logic Function}

With summing logic, logical decision depends on whether or not the sum of the input levels exceeds a preselected threshold. Varying the threshold level permits changes in the logical function.
Magnetic fields produced by input current pulses are summed within a core. When the net field exceeds a certain value for a sufficient time, the core changes its remanent state.
The typical square hysteresis loop of Fig. 1 shows a threshold level of coercive force $H_{r}$ established at the value $+1 / 2$. Any single unit pulse, with a value of +1 will exceed this thresh-
old. Here, the core functions as an $O R$ gate.
This threshold level can be varied by a bias flux weighted with a value of $\pm 1, \pm 2$, or with another desired value. With a bias weight of -1 , the core becomes a 2 -input AND gate or, more precisely, it gives a 2 -out-of-x function where $x$ is the number of inputs to the core.
In general, the core changes state if the net weight of the inputs is equal to or greater than +1 . The number of logical functions that can be obtained using a single core increases rapidly


Fig. 1. Typical square hystenesis loop shows how core can be biased to establish different logic functions.
with the number of inputs that can be wound on a core.
In designing a summing core, several basic decisions must be made before a design can be started. It is necessary to determine:

- The required logical flexibility-the ease in changing logic.
- The required power gain of each summing core-the number of other elements to be driven.
- The pulse-repetition rate.
- The phase-clocking or time restandardization


Fig. 2. A basic, summingcore logic element.
necessary after each logic action.
in one specific computer application, the flexibility requirement called for a minimum of three variables with a possibility of as many as five. This degree of flexibility should serve most digital computer applications.

If the summing core can drive at least six other cores and a maximum of about 12 , it should have adequate power gain for most applications.
Pulse-repetition rate is basically limited by the type of core material. For ferrite, the range is from 100 to 200 kc .

## "Best Compromise"

Determines Core Selection
To minimize power consumption, the smallest practical core should be selected. Core power consumption is proportional to the coercive force $H_{c}$, so one should select a low- $H_{c}$ material. However, variations in $H_{\mathrm{c}}$ affect the core's switching rate, so one should use a material with low switching coefficient to yield a high repetition rate at low power consumption.

Square-loop ferrite cores are available which provide the following advantages.

- Low material cost.
- Uniform characteristics.
- Low $H_{c}$.
- Small size.
- High squareness ratio.

To determine the best core material for the job, two families of curves may be plotted. The first set should be a plot of applied field vs inverse switching time for the different core materials. A second set should present applied field vs output flux change.
This latter set of measurements, commonly known as the S-curve test, gives a picture of the front part of the hysteresis loop of a core under pulsed conditions. The $S$ curve gives the incremental permeability, the core squareness, and the coercive force. The two sets of curves will yield a best-compromise core.
For example, the $S$ curve for RCA's 222 M 2 core shows an open-loop coercive-force requirement of $270-\mathrm{ma}$ turns. To allow for core-tolerance variations, leakage inductance and closed-loop external loading, the designer would usually design for a threshold of about 450-ma turns. The plot of applied field vs inverse-switching time would give a $3-\mu \mathrm{sec}$ switching time for an applied field of 450 -ma turns.

## Summing Core

## Oparates in Two Phases

Fig. 2 shows the basic core logic element with $N_{0}$ epresenting the input windings, $N_{0}$ the output winding, and $N_{s}$ the shift or power-transfer < C rcle 39 on reader-Service card Eli CTRONIC DESIGN - October 12, 1960

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Fig. 3. Symbolic representation of AND and OR logic. Signals with arrowheads enter the core windings in the forward-current direction. Signals terminated in circles enter the windings in the reverse-current direction. Overrules indicate negation, so $\bar{a}$ is read as not $a$.


Fig. 4. The dynamic flip-flop requires two cores.


Fig. 5. Shift register advances information one stage after each sequence of $A$ and $B$ shift pulses.
winding. The core element operates in tvo phases: First, the core performs logic to det 3 . mine whether it is to be set to 1 or remain in the 0 state. This depends on whether or not the tcial flux summation exceeds the switching threshcid.
In the second phase, a pulse applied throvgh the shift winding resets the core to 0 if a 1 ias been previously set. This, in turn, transfers the pulse energy to succeeding core-logic elemerts. The core element resembles a two-core-per-bil shift register in operation.

## Input Signals Can Vary

Switching Threshold
The switching threshold is defined as the mini mum applied field required for setting the core to the binary 1 state. Each input winding receiving a current pulse of a certain magnitude should set up a field equal to or greater than this threshold.
Each input winding is given a weighting factor of +1 . This exceeds the threshold value of $+1 / 2$. Hence, as it stands, the core is a natural OR gate; any of the four inputs will set it to 1 .
If one of the input windings is given a negative unit weight (reverse current into winding), its switching threshold is increased by a unit weight. Then, setting the core to the 1 state will require that at least two other input windings be ener gized simultaneously to +1 . This provides what can be called a 2 -input AND gate. Any input winding can be used to vary the threshold, thus varying the logical function of the element.

## Core Needs Power Gain <br> To Drive Other Cores

The core element must have power gain so its output pulse can set a number of other cores simultaneously. The output current pulse must therefore come from a high impedance, constantcurrent source and must drive input impedances which are several magnitudes smaller.

The output impedance should normally be from 100 to 200 times the value of the sum of the input impedance of a load and the forward im. pedance of the load-isolating diode. The diode should isolate the driven core from other driven cores without disturbing the coupling to the driving core.

In the design of the shift winding, the important consideration is the number of core stages that can be driven from a given-size driver. To reduce the voltage drop per shift-winding stage, the number of turns must be decreased and the current drive increased. This also requires compromise as leakage inductance provides a lowend limit on the number of turns. If leakage inductance is too high, not enough energy will be transferred to the output cores for satisfactory operation.

The number of turns for a shift winding is a co npromise of maximum current drive, minimum leikage inductance, and practical core-window ar a.

## Summing Core Applications <br> Highlight Logical Flexibility

The logical flexibility of summing cores allows them to be used in a wide variety of applications. In most cases, the logic technique is conventional; in some cases the technique differs somewhat from conventional techniques. A few applications follow:
AND and OR Gates. The most obvious use of summing cores is in AND or OR gates. Several examples of these are illustrated in Fig. 3. In such applications, all inputs are given unit weight +1 . The threshold level is established by $\boldsymbol{H}_{c}$ at $+1 / 2$, so any single unit pulse will exceed the threshold by a factor of two, making the core function as an OR gate. This threshold can be varied by a bias flux through any input winding. Current amplitudes and pulse widths must be controlled within close tolerances to insure adequate summations or cancellations.
Dynamic Flip-Flop. The dynamic flip-flop (Fig. 4) is actually a one-stage shift register in a closed loop. It can take either of two dynamic states. If, for example, core $A$ is initially at 1 , shift pulse $A$ will switch the core to 0 and the current pulse will be delayed through core $B$.
Core B's output pulse will reset $A$ to the $I$ state. The state of the flip-flop can be changed to 0 by applying a signal to the inhibit winding at the same time that the output of core $B$ is trying to reset core $A$, thereby preventing the resetting of $A$. With $A$ in the 0 state, the next shift pulse applied to it will have no effect and the flip-flop will remain at 0 till A is reset to 1 by an external insert pulse.
Shift Register. In the shift register (Fig. 5), shiftpulse $A$ will reverse the state of all stages storing 1's. Shift-pulse $B$ will delay the output-current pulses of all the $B$ cores. This delay insures that all the $A$ cores transfer their information before receiving new information from previous $A$ cores. Information is thus advanced one stage after each sequence of $A$ and $B$ shift pulses.
Bit Comparator. A comparator compares the masnitude of two numbers to determine whether equality or inequality exists. Fig. 6 shows a siniple bit comparator which provides an output on inequality and no output on equality.
To detect the inequality of two words, each cor sisting of several bit pulses, the comparator tes ; ; the digits of the two words sequentially ant uses a dynamic flip-flop as memory. If two cor pared bits are equal, it does not set the fip-


Fig. 6. This simple bit comparator gives an output if $a$ does not equal $b$.


Fig. 8. A binary counter using identical flip-flop counter stages.
flop. If they are unequal, the comparator sets a flip-flop which generates a series of 1 's till the flip-flop is reset by a clear pulse.

The comparator of Fig. 7 is basically a dynamic flip-flop which is set by an input to core A3 before the comparison starts. An inequality at inputs $A$ and $B$ resets the flip-flop by stopping the recirculation of a stored 1.
Binary Counter. The summing-core logic element has a basic limitation in that the element cannot shift other core elements. This offers some diffculty in using the elements in straightforward binary counters. Fig. 8 shows one technique, somewhat different from the conventional, which serves many of the needs of standard binary counters.
It uses identical flip-flop counter stages which can be extended to as many stages as desired.

An input pulse is sent to the next stage through gate $G_{0}$ each time the binary counter stage is reset from 1 to 0 .
The count stored in the counter is indicated by the condition of flip-flops $2^{0}$ and $2^{1}$ in the various stages. Particular counts can be sensed by using AND gates. For example, the count of 3 would be sensed by feeding the outputs of $2^{0}$ and $2^{x}$ into an AND gate. -

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# Thermal Resistance Determines Power Safely Dissipated at a Collector Junction 

Charles Webber raises the question: When is a 50-w transistor a 50-w transistor? and answers that it depends on the thermal resistance between the collector junction and the ambient medium. If thermal resistance is too high, the rated power cannot safely be dissipated.

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A$50-\mathrm{w}$ transistor is not always a $50-\mathrm{w}$ transistor. Whether or not the device can safely dissipate its advertised rating depends on the thermal resistance between the collector junction and the ambient medium.
Thermal resistance is analogous to electrical resistance. The amount of heat flowing from places of high temperature to places of low temperature depends on the temperature differential. Temperature difference is analogous to voltage difference, and heat to current. Thermal resistance is expressed as degrees $C$ per watt.

Any temperature control problem can be analyzed by establishing the maximum thermal resistance that can be tolerated. Closer examination reveals where improvement is possible, and how much improvement would make a significant contribution to the problem.

Many germanium power transistors are advertised as capable of dissipating 50 w at the collector junction-the heat source. A conservative limit of 90 C for the thermal potential of this heat source is generally accepted.

## Air Generally is the Heat Sink

In most applications, the heat goes to the air surrounding the junction. A common working value for the thermal potential of the air is 25 C .

If the transistor is to dissipate its full rating of 50 w , and if the collector-junction temperature is not to exceed 90 C , the total thermal resist-
ance between the junction and the ambient air must not exceed:

$$
R_{t o t a l}=\frac{90 \mathrm{C}-25 \mathrm{C}}{50 \mathrm{w}}=1.3 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{w}
$$

Examination of the transistor and its package indicates this total thermal resistance is a heatHow circuit consisting of three definable thermal resistances in series.
The first is the path from the transistor junction to the transistor's mounting surface. A low, advertised claim for this thermal resistance is $0.5 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{w}$. Accordingly, the remaining series resistance cannot total more than $0.8 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{w}$.

## Interface Loss is Significant

The second resistance is called the interface loss. The discontinuity resulting from the pressure mating of two metallic bodies might seem insignificant, but, expressed as thermal resistance, interface temperature loss is important.
At best, with a material such as silicone grease, interface resistance for typical transistors is at least $0.3 \mathrm{C} / \mathbf{w}$. A few tenths greater can be expected if the joint is dry, and several times greater if an insulating washer made of a material like mica is used. Any washer implies two interfaces, plus the additional resistance of the insulating material.
The internal resistance of the transistor cannot be controlled by the application engineer, although he can calculate what his needs are. The interface resistance can be minimized by using air-displacing materials, and by obviating insulating washers at the interface.

The third resistance in the series is that b tween the transistor's mounting surface and the ambient air. The responsibility for minimizing this resistance belongs to the packaging engi neer, and it is within his domain to anticipate and provide for problems that might arise.

## Commercial Heat Sinks Available

He has the choice of designing his own heat transfer system or purchasing commercial devices that can be very effective if used properly.
If the third resistance were to take the forn of a carefully finned and ducted heat exchanger utilizing forced ambient air, a resistance as lov as 0.5 C would be feasible.
A still-air device depending on natural con vection will approach several times this value under optimum conditions, although localize turbulence can be quite helpful.

Power data that cannot be translated int thermal resistance values, are obviously mean ingless. An ethical manufacturer will also in clude in his specification the interface resistance experienced in his laboratories.
In many cases when a manufacturer's produc has a thermal resistance greater than unity, he will publish its reciprocal, thus giving a mis leadingly low value.

## Realistic Specs Cited

A transfer manufacturer's claim of 50 w is realistic for a carefully qualified situation such as the following:
Allowable collector junction
temperature

Thermal Comparison of Common Materials

|  | Thermal Resistance of a strap 10-in. long by 1 -in. wide, by 0.062 -in. thick | Requirements Compared to Aluminum |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Cross Section | Weight |
| Silver | $14 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{w}$ | 48\% | 186\% |
| Copper (pure) (Berylium) | $\begin{aligned} & 16 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{w} \\ & 35 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{w} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 52 \% \\ 110 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 170 \% \\ & 330 \% \end{aligned}$ |
| Aluminum | $31 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{w}$ | 100\% | 100\% |
| Magnesium | $41 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{w}$ | 130\% | 85\% |
| Iron | $100 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{w}$ | 325\% | 925\% |
| Lead | 180 C/w | 600\% | 2500\% |
| Granite |  | 5,000\% |  |
| Ice |  | 9,000\% |  |
| Water |  | 36,000\% |  |
| Asbestos |  | 135,000\% |  |
| Air (stagnant) |  | 850,000\% |  |

The perfect heat conductor does not exist. The slightest length of metallic path introduces significant est length of metallic path introduces significant
thermal resistance. Introduction of a thin film of in. sulating material (listed below dotted line) of in thermal resistance to soar. The chart also indicates thermal resistance to soar. The chart also indicates needed to give same thermal resistance obtained with material considered.

Internal thermal resistance .......... $0.5 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{w}$ Resistance from transistor "stud" to
heat exchanger input air .......... $0.8 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{w}$
Unfortunately, power transistors, without exception, have a general purpose configuration. These configurations are fairly well suited to mounting on a sheet-metal chassis, which, in turn, prevents high power operation.

Vastly superior designs could be marketed at a lower cost than that incurred with general purpose designs. Over-all thermal resistance from the junction to the input air could approach $0.5 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{w}$. This would double the power ratings of existing units, with a reduction of weight and volume.
Low power transistors have thermal resistances of the order of $1000 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{w}$ from the junction to the case. Their design violates all the rul.s of low thermal resistance, and there is no res on why revolutionary improvements cannot be made. It is expected that the undeniable ne ds of space vehicles will be stronger than the influence of conventional engineering. - -

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| Model | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Frequency } \\ \text { Range } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Callbration Accurac | Output to 600 ohms | Recommended Load | Maximum Distortion | Max. Mum <br> \& Noise TI | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input } \\ & \text { Power } \end{aligned}$ | Price |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 200AB | 20 cps to 40 KC $(4$ bands $)$ | $\pm 2 \%$ | $\left.\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ (24.5 \\ \text { watt } \end{array}\right)$ | 600 ohms | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 1 \% 20 \mathrm{cps} \\ \text { to } 20 \mathrm{KC} \\ 2 \% \\ 20 \mathrm{KC} \\ \text { to } 40 \mathrm{KC} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 0.05\% | $\begin{gathered} 70 \\ \text { watts } \end{gathered}$ | \$150.00 |
| 200CD | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \mathrm{cps} \text { to } \\ & 600 \mathrm{KC} \\ & \text { (5 bands) } \end{aligned}$ | $\pm 2 \%$ | 160 mw 10 volts | 600 ohms ${ }^{*}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \hline 0.5 \% \text { below } \\ 500 \mathrm{KC} \\ 1 \% \\ \text { and above } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 0.1\% | $\begin{gathered} 75 \\ \text { watts } \end{gathered}$ | \$170.00 |
| 200J | 6 cps to 6 KC (6 bands) | $\pm 1 \% \dagger$ | 160 mw | 600 ohms* | 0.5\% | 0.1\% | $\begin{gathered} 110 \\ \text { watts } \end{gathered}$ | \$300.00 |
| 200 T | $\begin{gathered} \hline 250 \mathrm{cps} \text { to } \\ 100 \mathrm{KC} \\ (5 \mathrm{bands}) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\pm 1 \% \dagger$ | $\begin{aligned} & 160 \mathrm{mw} \\ & 10 \text { volts } \end{aligned}$ | 600 ohms* | 0.5\% | 0.03\% | $\begin{gathered} 160 \\ \text { watts } \end{gathered}$ | \$450.00 |
| 201 C | $\begin{aligned} & 20 \mathrm{cps} \text { to } \\ & 20 \mathrm{KC} \\ & \text { (3 bands) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\pm 1 \% \dagger$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \text { watts } \\ & (42.5 \mathrm{v}) \end{aligned}$ | 600 ohms | 0.5\% $\ddagger$ | 0.03\% | $\begin{gathered} 75 \\ \text { watts } \end{gathered}$ | \$225.00 |
| 202C | 1 cps to 100 KC (5 bands) | $\pm 2 \%$ | $\begin{aligned} & 160 \mathrm{mw} \\ & 10 \text { volts } \end{aligned}$ | 600 ohms* | 0.5\%§ | 0.1\% | $\begin{gathered} 75 \\ \text { watt } \end{gathered}$ | \$300.00 |

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# TWT's Have Come a Long Way Toward Environmental Insensitivity 




#### Abstract

A few years ago TWT's took a giant step out of the laboratory with the introduction of periodicpermanent magnet-focusing. However, the sizable weight-reduction achieved was paid for at the cost of environmental sensitivity. Jason Posner describes here how these blocks to general use of TWT's are being removed by solid designs.


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THE TRAVELING wave tube is becoming increasingly useful to microwave engineers because it has been made more insensitive to vibration, impact and temperature changes.
The last factor is the severest environmental factor limiting the performance of tubes that use a periodic-permanent-magnet stack to focus the electron stream.
Such a stack, whose construction features are indicated in Fig. 1, is responsible, in large measure, for the sizable reduction of tube bulk, weight and power consumption for a given application. An early tube, for example, that delivered medium power at $3,000 \mathrm{mc}$ used a $50-\mathrm{lb}$, $400-\mathrm{w}$ solenoid as the focusing device. Use of the periodic-permanent-magnet stack cut the weight to 7 lb , and obviated the power supply.

## Temperafure Increases Reduce Field Strength

However, temperature changes cause drastic fluctuations-both reversible and irreversible-in the stack's magnetic field.

The reversible changes can be corrected or compensated for by a thermo-magnetic shunt; the irreversible changes can be accounted for by proper stabilization procedures. Without compensation, the usable temperature range of traveling-wave tube would be limited to about 25 to 50 C .

A temperature cycle irreversibly affects the operating point of the magnets, which are made of barium-ferrite material. After stabilization or
precooling, for example, losses up to 10 per cent of the saturated value of the ferrite magnet have been observed; at values less than saturation, the percentage loss decreases.

## Reversible Changes are Most Important

However, this irreversible loss occurs only in the first few temperature cycles. Once this loss has been compensated for by magnetizing and precooling the magnet below the lowest environmental temperature, only reversible magnetic changes are important.

Fig. 2 shows that the axial field strength of a typical magnet assembly changes by 30 per cent over a 200 C temperature range. The degree to which a traveling-wave tube can tolerate this variation, and still perform properly, depends on other design considerations, such as optimum beam-diameter, power level, gain flatness, and,


Fig. 1. Cross-section of periodic-permanent-magnet focusing structure and the resultant periodic fluctuation of axial magnetic field strength.
of course, permissible variation of performance characteristics.

For example, if the beam diameter increases because of decreasing field strength, the gain generally increases. The reason is that the beam interacts more with the signal carried by the slow-wave structure.

## Helix-Interception Current Must Be Limited

However, beam interception also increases. In power tubes, a maximum of about 5 per cent of the beam current can be safely dissipated along the helix. In low-noise tubes, beam alignment is more critical because helix interception current tends to increase the noise figure. The beam alignment in the slow-wave structure must be such that the helix-interception current at high temperature is, generally, less than one per cent of the beam current.


Fig. 2. Variation of axial field strength of a typical focusing structure with changes in temperature.


Fig. 3. Magnetic compensation of focusing structure reduces field-strength fluctuations with temperature changes.

Conversely, as the temperature drops, the magnetic field increases, constricts the beam, and, thus depresses gain and power output.
Thermo-magnetic shunts, for controlling reversible field changes, are made of temperaturecompensating, iron-nickel alloys. Fig. 3 compares variation in axial field strength for uncompensated and compensated stacks and Fig. 4 (a) and (b) shows the result of temperature compensation on power output. This particular compensation technique is common in instruments that must perform with a high degree of accuracy in fluctuating ambient temperatures.
Magnetic Shunt Gives Insensitivity To Temperafure
The field strength of the ceramic-barium-ferrite magnet changes proportionally to the temperature change (slightly less than 2 gauss per 100 gauss per 100 C ). By adding a magnetic shunt whose permeability is also temperature dependent, the fluctuating field strength of the magnet and the fluctuating permeability of the shunt can be made to cancel, thus yielding a temperature-stable focusing stack.
The iron-nickel alloys in a thermo-magnetic shunt contain between 29 and 33 per cent nickel. This group of alloys is unique in that Curie points are close to room temperature.
If the nickel content were below 29 per cent, the compensator alloy would behave like ordinary steels. (Steels exhibit critical points when heated and cooled.) A gap between critical points on heating and cooling cycles exists. Because of this gap or temperature hysteresis, the magnetic properties of these alloys are changed irreversible by temperature cycling.

## Nickel Content of Shunt is Critical

When the nickel content is above 29 per cent, the alloys have stable crystallographic structur $s$. For this reason, changes in their thermoma netic properties due to temperature cycling are reversible.
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The Curie points of the alloys rise rapidly with slight increases in the percentage of nickel content. At 33 per cent nickel content, the Curie point is approximately 240 C .
The ability of the shunt to conduct magnetic flux also is temperature-dependent. As the temperature drops, the magnetic field of the permanent magnet increases and the permeability, and consequently the slunting action, of the thermomagnetic alloy become proportionally greater.
The magnetic shunt functions up to its Curie point; at higher temperatures, the alloy is nonmagnetic and, therefore, does not provide shunting action. As the temperature drops below the Curie point, the rate of change of permeability is relatively constant (until it reaches 100 C .) Below this point, the rate of change of permeability decreases so that compensation becomes less effective.

## Two-Shunt Materials in Parallel <br> Increase Temperature Range

It is possible to use two or more materials, with staggered Curie points, in parallel to increase the temperature-compensated range. Parallel shunting can limit axial field fluctuations to slightly more than 5 per cent of the stack strength at room temperature over a temperature range -65 to +190 C .
The dimensions of the magnetic shims between sections of the focusing magnet will, in part, determine the effectiveness of the shunt. The main function of the shim is to provide a highly permeable path that channels flux to the beam region, and to insure the axial field's uniformity or symmetry.

In Fig. 1, it is seen that the outer diameter of the shim is smaller than that of the magnetic ring. This shim dimension is a compromise to achieve lightest weight and highest axial field strength. However, the most effective shunting action occurs when the contact area between the shim and shunt is as large as possible.

## Shunt Location is Variable

The location of the thermo-magnetic shunt on the periodic-permanent-magnet structure can be varied in several ways. The shunt material may be placed internally along the inner diameter of the ring magnets; it may be placed in cored holes through the magnets; or it may be placed peripherally around the outer diameter.
This last method, shown in Fig. 1, is most frequently used because it simplifies fabrication. Minor adjustments may be made with a minimum of effort, and fringing fields, which may be detrimental to other system components, are minimized.

The symmetry of the axial magnetic field that


Fig. 4. (a) Changes in TWT power output with temperature changes when magnetic focusing stack is uncompensated (b). Compensation reduces power-change fluctuations.
keeps the beam properly aligned is critical. The introduction of fringing fields, which have transverse components, tends to misalign the beam or to locally defocus the beam. Such misalignment or defocusing increases helix interception with the attendant possibilities of gas evolution and helix burn-out.

## Transverse Fields Must be Minimized

Hence careful consideration must be given to the design and processing of the permanentmagnet stack to minimize the possibility of introducing stray or transverse magnetic fields.

Transverse fields that originate from non-uniformities in the magnet may best be prevented by proper inspection procedures. Transverse fields that originate from magnet misalignment can be eliminated by proper design, such as a center aligning tubulation, or by use of precisionground magnets.
A proper annealing schedule of the shim material reduces undesirable high magnetic remnance and further reduces the possibility of transverse fields.

## Thermal Expansion of Parts a Factor

As the traveling-wave tube is temperaturecycled, the physical dimensions of the tube and capsule change unequally. A typical $12-\mathrm{in}$. long traveling-wave tube (basically a glass envelope in an aluminum capsule) operating in an ambient temperature range -60 to +100 C , has been found to experience eventually a differential ex-
pansion of approximately 30 mils at the temperature extremes.
If the envelope were "fixed" without regard for differential expansion, several detrimen al effects could occur.

If the tube envelope were fixed both at the collector and gun ends, without room for expansion and construction, the tube could be destroyed during temperature cycling. If the collector end were fixed and the gun end left free to move with respect to the magnetic stack, beam launching conditions would be less than optimum because of relative motion.

In extreme cases, the tube may become defocused. This phenomenon often is confused with magnetic fluctuation. The possibility of defocusing can be eliminated, however, if the gun end is fixed, and the collector is seated in the radiator with a sliding fit.

## Vibration Minimized by Solid Construction

Tubes must be designed to withstand shock and vibration and to exhibit little or no amplitude modulation. This objective is best accomplished by considering the tube first as an assembly of separate parts, and then as a functional unit.

Resonances of parts and relative motion then can be noted and casual structural deficiencies eliminated. The most sensitive areas, from the point of view of over-all tube ruggedness are the helix, the gun, and the support holding the tube envelope in its package.

The support of the slow-wave, or helical transmission circuit, is critical. This component basically is a long, thin, non-rigid structure and, as such, readily distorts when exposed to shock and vibration.

Uniform electrical performance, however, de pends on the dimensional accuracy of the slowwave structure and its ability to remain free of distortions. Therefore, it is necessary to "lock" the helix both with respect to the beam and with respect to each of its turns.

## Two Methods Used to Support Helix

Two principal methods are commonly used to support the helix. The first, or so-called "shrink," method consists of actually imbedding the helis in precision-fluted glass tubing. The second is to support the helix on ceramic rods, running the length of the tube.

Both methods of helix support exceed present vibration specifications without hitting resonant points or distorting. These structures have found application in tubes required to operate under 6 g over 2000 cps with less than 0.5 db of amplitude variation, and after impact shock loads of 30 g for 11 msec without permanent impairment of performance.

## Electron Gun Must be Rugged

The physical stability and alignment of the ajerture of the electron gun with respect to the slow-wave structure is important. If the cathode, or any of the focusing grids, or the whole aperture structure were to resonate, either with respect to itself or to the helix, it would produce increased levels of amplitude modulation.
A basic gun design used is the glass-rod supported type, in which a cylindrical, heat-softened glass rod is forced into smaller partially opened slots in the grids. This gun can amply meet present and foreseeable shock and vibration specifications.
However, glass-supported guns, in their current state of development, have certain disadvantages that could limit design of future travel-ing-wave tubes-particularly those that must operate at high ambient temperatures.
Several alternate gun designs have been developed for high-temperature operation. One approach is to use a molybdenum-sapphire material instead of glass. A second approach is a stacked ceramic construction. Essentially, this gun consists of a series of ceramic cylinders sandwiched between appropriate grid elements. When this structure is brazed, the result is a highly rigid structure.

## Glass Tube not Always Best

In addition of the use of glass envelopes, metal-and-ceramic structures have been designed and developed. The choice of structure depends on the requirements which the tubes are designed to meet.
For example, ceramic-metal construction is a logical choice for operation at high temperatures, where glass would soften. Also, the development of higher-power tubes will mean proportionally larger tube dimensions. Large dimensions make the expansion mismatch between hot metal and relatively cold glass more pronounced.
The demonstrable advantages of ceramic construction should always be compared with certain inherent advantages of glass before a decision is made on construction of a tube.
Class is extremely resilient, and, when properly supported, has never been known to fall under conditions of shock and vibration. As a vacuum envelope, glass, because it has fewer discontinuities in the form of joints, and by the nature of the material itself, is less prone to the passage of gas. Freedom from gas leakage increases shelf and operational life.
These considerations are not exhaustive, but ratl er, they indicate major factors influencing tra eling-wave-tube design that are compatible bot with electro-mechanical and environmental req irements. - -

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are arranged so they will pass the inpu pulse only if the input is connected to the " $O$ " side of the binary. If the signa gets through the gate it will turn that side of the binary on from " 0 " to " 1 ". If it is already on, no switching will occur With the first pulse applied, gates $1 B$, $2 \mathrm{~A}, 3 \mathrm{~A}, 4 \mathrm{~A}$ and 5 A pass the input pulse but the last four gates are feeding into the " $I$ " side of the binary and therefore only gate $1 B$ is able to act. With the first binary turned on, gates $1 B, 2 B, 3 A, 4 A$ and $5 A$ are open for the second pulse. Continuing, the second binary will be switched by the second pulse, the third binary by the third pulse and this will continue until all the binaries are on This condition is the exact opposite of the reset state since in all stages side $B$ is conducting instead of side $A$. Every stage will now switch in the same sequence but to the opposite side.


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When operated at beam currents comparable to those used in the conventional tube, however, the Bitermitron can function as a locked oscillator as well as an amplifier when connected in series with the M-type BWO. Because of the similar structure the pair of tubes have essen tially the same electrical characteristics so that for most purposes they can be treated as a single voltage-tunable back ward-wave locked oscillator. The small signal driving requirement and high efficiency of this combination make it attractive for this application.

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Natel Engineering Co., Dept. ED, Van Nuys, Calif.
Price: $\$ 125$ to $\$ 250$
Availability: Three wecks.

## S-Band Filters

Are tunable from 2,700 to $2,900 \mathrm{mc}$


These preselector filters blank interference from infringing radars. They attenuate 60 mc frequencies from the preselected operating frequency by more than 50 db . Frequencies of 100 mc from the preselected operating frequency are attenuated more than 60 db . They provide a $3-\mathrm{db}$ passband about 10 mc wide at center frequency. Ripple is less than 0.5 db and insertion loss is 0.75 db .

Texas Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 6000 Lem. mon Ave., Dallas 9, Tex.
Availability: Small quantities, from stock

## Angular Displacement Transducer



This 10-turn, angular displacement transducer, type 200, is designed for use as a high-output angular position feedback element for measurement of angular position where total rotation may be as high as $3,600 \mathrm{deg}$. Linearity is within $0.5 \%$. Sensitivity is 1.5 v per revolution with an input of $12 \mathrm{v}, 400 \mathrm{cps}$. Inputs up to 115 v and $6,000 \mathrm{cps}$ are suitable. Temperature range is -65 to +220 F . The device weighs $4-1 / 2 \mathrm{oz}$ and measures 1 in . in diameter, $3 / 8 \mathrm{in}$. long.
Dynamic Measurements Co., Dept. ED, 301 Old York Road, Jenkintown, Pa.
Price \& Availability: \$95; available from stock in small quantities.

Modular Logic Elements 642

Twenty-one units available


This series of modular logic elements consists of 21 units including delay-triggers, invertershifters, flip-flops, gates, followers, inverters, multivibrator and amplifiers. The devices use 0 and -10 v logic levels and $\pm 12 \mathrm{v}$ power supplies. They operate from 0 to 200 kc and over a -65 to +85 C temperature range. Typical un its weigh less than 6 gm ; devices occupy from 0.18 to 0.48 cu in.

Harman Kardon, Inc., Data Systems Div., D pt. ED, 520 Main St., Westbury, L.I., N.Y. Price: $\$ 11$ to $\$ 36$.
A ailability: From stock.
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| Module No. | Delay | Size |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $15-89$ | 100 musec. | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 35 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ |
| 15.90 | 75 musec. | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 35 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ |
| 15.91 | $20,10,10,5$ musec. | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 35 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ |
| 15.92 | 50 musec. | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 25 / 6^{\prime \prime}$ |
| 15.93 | 20,20 musec. | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 21 / 0^{\prime \prime}$ |
| 15.94 | 10,5 musec. | $3 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 25 / 10^{\prime \prime}$ |

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## NEW PRODUCTS

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The Superior Electric Co., Dept. ED, Bristol, Conn.
Price: \$90.
Availability: From stock.

Pressure Switch
For missile launching


This unit, weighing 0.25 oz , operates at pressures up to 500 psi. It indicates full charge of primary missile batteries. The contacts open and close within 15 psi from the set point. A $3-\mathrm{oz}$ switch monitors manifold fill pressure in jet engines and actuates a solenoid valve to regulate fuel flow. It operates at 50 psi at temperatures up to 400 F and has a proof pressure of $1,500 \mathrm{lb}$. The firm's line of switches includes
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B. F. Goodrich Co., Dept. EID, Akron, Ohio. Price: Varies with complexity of design.
Availability: Prototypes, 60 days.

## Power Rheostat

Has 25 w-rating


The RE- 25 power rheostat has a rating of 25 $w$ in free air. Standard resistance range is from $\because 5$ to 500 ohms at $\pm 10 \%$ tolerance. Three-terminal construction permits use as potentiometer.

Tru-Ohm Products, Dept. ED, 2800 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago 18, Ill.
Price: On request.
Availability: 10) days to 2 weeks.

Transistorized Power Amplifier 643
For military applications


Model 265 dual-channel power amplifier delivers better than 60 v peak-to-peak or 20 v rms. Some specifications are: input, 100 to 130 vac ; input signal, 0.3 to 10 v ac; input frequency, 40 cps to 20 kc ; input impedance, greater than 5 K; output impedance, less than 100 ohms; frequency response, $\pm 1 \mathrm{db}$.
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Polarad Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 43-20 34th St., Long Island City 1, N.Y.
Price \& Availability: CTS-24, \$6,500; CTS-810, $\$ 5,905$; delivery is about 6 mos.

## Microwave Oscillator

Frequency range is 200 to $2,500 \mathrm{mc}$


Designed for measurement, testing and calibration, this high-level signal source provides 40 w at 200 to $400 \mathrm{mc}, 25 \mathrm{w}$ at 400 to $1,050 \mathrm{mc}$, and 10 w at 950 to $2,500 \mathrm{mc}$. Designated model 1141, the unit is furnished in two separate transit type cabinets; one contains the cavity oscillator, the other contains the power supply and modulator. Uses include antenna radiation pattern measurements, noise and interference measurements, and rf production testing.
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Plug-In Instruments Inc., Dept ED, 1416 Lebanon Road, Nashville, Tenn.
Price \& Availability: The approximate price is $\$ 50$ per unit with delivery two weeks after order is received.

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Van Norman Industries, Electronics Div., Dept. ED, 186 Granite St., Manchester, N.H.
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Hoffman Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 3761 S. Hill St., Los Angeles, Calif.
Price \& Availability: Type 1N821, $\$ 8.50$ in quantities of 1 to 99 and $\$ 7.15$ in quantities of 100 to 999 ; type $1 \mathrm{~N} 822, \$ 13.50$ and $\$ 10.50$. Delivery is from stock.

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## Potentiometers

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Carter Manufacturing Corp., Dept. ED, 23 Washington St., Hudson, Mass.

## Planar Tube Oscillator

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Frequency range is 920 to $1,400 \mathrm{mc}$
This L-band Planar tube oscillator is tunable from 920 to 1,400 mc . For cw or pulse operation, the unit has an output of up to 50 w . Power dissipation is 5 w max and plate driving capacity is 70 pf max. All leads are filtered for if leakage. The oscillator is suitable for lowpower transformers, signal generators, local oscillators, receivers, and test fixtures.

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Industrial Electronic Engineer, Inc., Dept. ED, 5528 Vineland Ave., North Hollywood, Calif. Price: $\$ 47$ ea.

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California Technical Industries Div., Textron Inc., Dept. ED, 1421 Old County Road, Belmont, Calif.
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Baird-Atomic, Inc., Dept. ED, 33 University Road, Cambridge 38, Mass.
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Cambridge Thermionic Corp., Dept. ED, 445 Concord Ave., Cambridge 38, Mass.

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Parker Seal Co., Dept. ED, Culver City, Calif. Availability: The product is stocked with distributers for immediate delivery.

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## Time-Delay Relay

Tolerance is $\pm 0.2 \%$ or $\pm 1 \mathrm{msec}$


Model 50-129 time-delay relay provides se. quential time-delay switching within a tolerance of $\pm 0.2 \%$ or $\pm 1 \mathrm{msec}$. The relay energizes at 100,250 , and 450 msec . It operates from 28 vdc , switches up to 1 amp dc, and is similar to a three pole, single throw relay. Dimensions are $3 \times 3 \times 6$ in. Operating life is 1000 hr .
Hydro-Aire Co., Dept. ED, 3000 Winona Ave. Burbank, Calif.

## Pushbutton Switch

405
Fits 19-in. rack


Type PBS-10 pushbutton switch, measuring 15 in. long and 7.5 in. deep, fits a standard 19 -in rack. The switch serves as a patching field for 10 -wire control bus from the unit to the device being controlled. The buttons are arranged in straight horizontal or vertical line.
Nems-Clark Co., Dept. ED, 919 Jesup-Blair Drive, Silver Spring, Md.
Price: $\$ 95$ ea; discounts for quantity orders.

## Plunger Switch

## Over-travel is 0.06 in . min

Type B-2PD miniature switch has an over travel plunger for cam action in rotary applica tions. The unit has electrical and environmenta characteristics which meet MS-25085. Dimension are $25 / 32 \times 1 / 4 \times 0.871 \mathrm{in}$. Over-travel is 0.0 in. min, pre-travel is 0.015 max , and operating force is 10 oz max. The return force is 1 oz min
an the movement differential is 0.001 in . The ini can be furnished with drilled single or double
I. R. Mallory \& Co., Inc., Dept. ED, IndiGrapolis 6, Ind.
Acailability: From stock.


These permanent lubricated units provide rotary control between input and output shafts which are directly in line. Models with concentric shafts are useful in meeting critical space problems. Units are available in a range of driving ratios from 2.66:1 up to 19.65:1.
Jan Hardware Manufacturing Co. Inc., Dept. ED, 38-01 Queens Blvd., Long Island City 1, N. Y.

## Ignitron



For welding control

The type 7585 ignitron is designed for singlephase welding control and similar applications. It is interchangeable with existing C-size tubes, and its electrical characteristics are identical with the type 5552A. The tube has a spiral cooling coil arranged to concentrate cooling action around the discharge chamber to promote condensation at the bottom of the tube and reduce arc-back.
Amperex Electronic Corp., Industrial Tube Div. Dept. ED, 230 Duffy Ave., Hicksville, LI, N.Y.
Pric \& Availability: The units are available immed ately. Price is $\$ 99$.
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Folio 12

Polarity Of Aluminum Electrolytic Capacitors

Many electrolytic capacitors have plus and minus terminals, like flashlight batteries, which makes them quite different from other types of capacitors. Polarity becomes necessary because of special construction that provides maximum capacitance for a given volume, weight, and cost.
Aluminum electrolytic capacitors are built around one of the best overall dielectric materials available. Aluminum oxide formed on a high-purity aluminum foil has a dielectric constant of from 7 to 10 and an extremely high dielectric strength of 2.5 million volts per 0.1 inch of thickness.

These unique dielectric characteristics of aluminum oxide can be utilized fully by controlling thickness of the oxide dielectric from a film only a few molecules thick to any depth required for conventional voltage ratings of electrolytic capacitors. Furthermore, aluminum foil can be etched to increase its surface area as much as ten times, increasing capacitance proportionally.
This extremely thin dielectric film offers very high resistance to passage of electrical current as long as the anode is positive with respect to the cathode. If the capacitor is connected with polarity reversed, the oxide film offers very little resistance to current flow and the resulting high currents will cause the capacitor to overheat.

This is the reason why polar electrolytic capacitors must be properly connected in a d-c circuit. Most electrolytic capacitors for filter, by-pass, and energy storage applications are polar capacitors. That is, they are constructed with the anode covered with dielectric oxide to a thickness capable of withstanding both rated and surge voltage of the capacitors. The negative plate normally has no dielectric oxide other than a thin film formed when aluminum is exposed to air.

It is possible to adapt the electrolytic principle for a non-polar capacitor to a-c applications. Two anodes are used, each plate having an aluminum-oxide dielectric formed on its surface to a thickness capable of withstanding normal and surge-voltage rating in either direction. When connected to an a-c source, one foil acts as an anode for one-half the cycle while the other functions as an anode on the other half of the cycle. Thus, there is no need to observe polarity with a non-polar capacitor. Because a non-polar capacitor is really two capacitors in series, it will have approximately one-half the capacitance of a polar capacitor of the same voltage rating when read on a bridge. Or, to put it another way,
it will have twice the volume of a polar capacitor for the same capacity and voltage rating.
Non-polar electrolytic capacitors can operate on a-c provided service is intermittent or if reactive currents are low enough to prevent overheating. They cannot operate continuously at a-c potentials higher than 40 volts rms because of their high power factor and small surface area for dissipation of heat.


Motor-starter capacitors are non-polar. They are also used where voltage may reverse on occasion or where a-c current must be passed continuously during the starting period.


There is another large family of electrolytic capacitors which, for lack of a better name, are called semi-non-polar. As the name implies, oxide is purposely formed on the negative plate, but of a thickness less than that formed on the anode. Most semi-non-polar capacitors are especially designed for particular applications.
Where a-c ripple voltage across semi-non-polar capacitors is high in filter applications, it is desirable to have oxide formed on the cathode capable of withstanding peak-to-peak voltage of the ripple wave - otherwise, oxide will accumulate on the cathode which will reduce capacitance and increase impedance.
Since non-polar and semi-non-polar electrolytic capacitors have more foil area to absorb heat, more paralle] paths for current, and larger case sizes with greater area to dissipate heat, they are used where high a-c ripple currents and/or low impedance requirements make polar capacitors impractical.
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## Thermistors

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Nucleonic Products Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 1601 Grande Vista Ave., Los Angeles 23, Calif. Availability: Delivery is 30 to 45 days.

## Toggle Switch

Has 8pdt contacts


This toggle switch, Model No. 53574, designee for an aircraft navigational system, consists of four pairs of Series 5300 snap-action switches with electrical ratings of $5 \mathrm{amp}, 30 \mathrm{v} \mathrm{dc}$, and 3 amp, 115 v ac. From the center position, one can actuate dpdt circuitry in each of the four momen tary positions spaced $90-\mathrm{deg}$ apart. The $0.11-\mathrm{lb}$ unit is 2-3/32 in. high and 1-29/64 in. long. Op erating force is 0.5 lb .

Haydon Switch, Inc., Dept. ED, Waterbury 20, Conn.
Price: $\$ 31.50$ each in quantities of 1 to 25 .

## Slide Switch

## Has 4 pdt circuit

Model SW-742 slide switch has a 4 pdt circuil and is suited for applications related to audio systems, measuring devices, and industrial con trols. The switch is not a ganged modification, bul
is tegral in one frame with one actuating knob. Th volume under the mounting surface is slightly over 0.5 cu in. All terminals and contacts are silver-plated.

## S-Band Variable Attenuator

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The miniature coaxial attenuator, designed for airborne applications, has an insertion loss of less than 0.5 db . The vswr for bandwidths of $15 \%$ or less is 1.3 max on the input end. Total attenuation is 20 db min at about 3 kmc , achieved in less than 180 deg of revolution. Type N male connectors are used. Average power capacity is 10 w, with a peak of 5 kw . The unit is 3 in . in diameter, 1-1/8 in. high and weighs about 14 oz . Antenna and Radome Research Associates, Dept. ED, 27 Bond St., Westbury, N.Y. Availability: Delivery is about four weeks.

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## NEW PRODUCTS

Counting System
Is complete in one unit


Type N-250 counting system contains a scaler, ratemeter, and power supply in one compact unit that is suitable for rack mounting. Sensitivity of the scaler is -0.25 to -5 v , adjustable. Display is from five $1-\mathrm{in}$. glow transfer tubes. The ratemeter provides time constants of $0.5,2,10$, and 40 sec at an accuracy of $\pm 2 \%$. It has six count ranges extending to 100,000 counts per min. Power requirement is $115 \mathrm{v}, 60 \mathrm{cps}, 20 \mathrm{w}$.

Hamner Electronics Co., Inc., Dept. ED, P. 0 Box 531, Princeton, N.J. Availability: Immediate.

## Variable-Speed Drives



Model SC-41 variable-speed drives cover the range of $1 / 3$ to $3 / 4 \mathrm{hp}$ and can be furnished with a variety of speeds. They are electrical drives, having no tubes. They have wide speed ranges with stepless adjustment from zero to full speed.
Applied Technology Corp., Dept. ED, $477^{\circ}$ Fifth Ave., New York 17, N.Y

## Phenolic Molding Powders

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General Electric Co., Chemical Materials Dept., Dept. ED, Pittsfield, Mass.

## Analog Programer

Generates voltage directly from graph


Model 750 analog programer, an arbitrary function generator, permits any single valued function drawn on graph paper with conductive ink to be converted to a proportional voltage as a function of time. The unit has an accuracy of $\pm 0.5 \%$ and a response time of less than $10 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ to full scale. It consists of a chart-supporting drum, a resistive roller or potentiometer, and two contact rollers.
American Measurement \& Control, Inc., Dept. ED. 240 Calvary St., Waltham 54, Mass.

## Fluxmeter

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Range is 1 to 52 kilogauss


Model F-8 fluxmeter provides precise measurement and control of uniform magnetic fields in laboratory and industrial-magnet applications. Instrument range is 1 to 52 kilogauss. The unit functions without a local oscillator near the magnetic field, thus eliminating air-gap clutter. It us:s a probe that is completely buffered from frcquency-determining circuitry. Standard probe calle is 6 ft long; the addition of an extension cable permits operation at 50 ft .
arian Associates, Instrument Div., Dept. ED, 61. Hansen Way, Palo Alto, Calif.


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Model P-1 generates pulses and square, triangular and sine waves. Pulse length is continuously variable from $100 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ to 10 sec . The unit supplies sufficient power to drive power transistors and relays, electro-hydraulic valves and other elements directly from the output terminals. Duty cycle is variable from $10 \%$ to $90 \%$.
Parabam, Inc., Dept. ED, 13000 Yukon Ave., Hawthorne, Calif.

Impulse Generator
Operates 60 kc to 10 kmc


Output of Model 91263-1 impulse generator is adjustable in $0.25-\mathrm{db}$ steps from 10 db to the maximum output, which is above $1 \mu \mathrm{v}$ per mc max. Repetition rate is 50 to 60 pps , each pulse having a $0.0005 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ duration. Spectral intensity is flat within $\pm 0.5 \mathrm{db}$ from 60 kc to 1000 mc ; the useful output is through 10 kmc . The unit, $10 \times 9-1 / 2 \times 7-3 / 8 \mathrm{in}$., weighs $9-1 / 2 \mathrm{lb}$.
Stoddart Aircraft Radio Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 6644 Santa Monica Blvd., Hollywood 38, Calif.
Price \& Availability: $\$ 275$, delivery from stock.

## Miniature Photoelectric Reader <br> 651

For automatic control systems
Model 100 photoelectric reader is designed for automatic control systems based on intensity of reflected light. A $6-\mathrm{v}$ lamp, a polished glass cylindrical lens, and a photocell are combined into one unit measuring $1-1 / 4 \times 7 / 8 \times 1 / 2 \mathrm{in}$. Light from the lamp is focused onto a rectangular target area, about $1 / 2 \times 1 / 32 \mathrm{in}$., located $1 / 4$ to $3 / 8 \mathrm{in}$.
fro n the aperture. Reflected light is refocused onto a variable-resistance photocell that requires a rominal input voltage of 20 v dc, 300 v max. Th s package design can be adapted for phototransistors or photovoltaic cells.
Melpar, Inc., Special Products Dept., Dept. ED, 3010 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church, Va. Price \& Availability: The units, priced at $\$ 29$, will be available from stock by August 1.

## Expanded Scale Voltmeter

Has accuracy of $0.1 \%$


These voltmeters are for ac or dc applications and have an accuracy of $0.1 \%$, which is made possible by the combination of a taut band meter movement and a precise expansion network. The meter maintains its accuracy in any position and can be used with a magnetic or non-magnetic panel.
Voltron Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 1020 S. Arroyo Parkway, Pasadena, Calif.
Price \& Availability: The dc model is $\$ 200$, the ac model is $\$ 230$; availability is 30 days.

## Computer

Has calibration-curve information


The DOC computer is for applications where there is repetitious use of a calibration curve. Any electrical instrument producing an output that must be converted by referring to the instruinent's calibration curve, can be connected. The computer can be used, for example, with tem perature-reading devices that use a thermistor.
C istom Engineering and Development Co., Dept. ED, 2647-49 Locust St., St. Louis 3, Mo. Pric \& Availability: $\$ 900$; 30 days.


This plastic is ideal for applications where changes in humidity can affect electrical values. DAPON can prevent costly 'in service' failures in electrical and electronic components.

A new molded plastic potentiometer produced by New England Instrument Company features exceptional resistance to humidity, high reliability and low noise. A raised conductive plastic ring is used in place of resistance wire in these miniature units. The new potentiometers are ideal for servo and instrumentation applications where long life and extreme accuracy are important factors.

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## NEW PRODUCTS

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Cook Batteries, Dept. ED, 3850 Olive St., Denver 7, Colo.

## Seam Welder <br> Is self tuning

This self-tuning ultrasonic seam welder is applicable to foil manufacture and production of foilwound capacitors and transformers. It can be used in a system with one generator serving several welding heads. Thickness of the material can be from 0.00017 to 0.006 in. Dissimilar materials can be joined. The self-tuning feature automatically adjusts the welding frequency to optimum value despite fluctuations in acoustical conditions at the welding tip or other factors.

International Ultrasonics, Inc., Dept. ED, 1697 Elizabeth Ave., Rahway, N.J.

## Variable Resistor <br> Has a 11/16-in. diam

Model 3W 1.5-w wirewound variable resistor measures 11/16 in. in diameter, 5/16 in. deep, and $1 / 8 \mathrm{in}$. in shaft diameter. Resistance range is 4 ohms to 30 K . It meets MIL-R-19 and recommended for use up to 125 C . Terminals are of gold-plated stainless steel.

Centralab, Div. of Globe Union, Inc., Dept. ED, 900 E. Keefe Ave., Milwaukee 1, Wis.

Power gain is $4 \times 10^{6}$
This magnetic amplifier consists of a single-ended, single-stage circuit with self-contained fixed bias. It is suited for a variety of applicalions requiring dc control. The output depends upon a de signal derived from an external thermistor bridge. Power gain is $4 \times 10^{6}$. Excitation output is 12.5 ma dc for a 100 -ohm thermistor bridge at 25 C . The unit is designated A5150-01
Kearfott Div., General Precision, Inc., Dept. ED, 1150 McBride Ave., Little Falls, N.J.

## Ionization Gage Control

493

## Is completely automatic

Type IGC-58 ionization gage control with a strip chart recorder operates automatically. It produces a single logarithmic chart from $10^{-3}$ to $10^{-9} \mathrm{~mm} \mathrm{Hg}$. It has less than $2 \%$ drift in 24 hr . Sensitivity is $100 \mu$ a per micron. Output is 0 to -2 v .
F. J. Cooke, Inc., Vacuum Products Div., Dept. ED, 145 Water St., S. Norwalk, Conn.
Price \& Availability: \$595; from stock.

## Pressure Transducer 495

Comes in sizes of 0 to 5 psi to 0 to 500 psi

This pressure transducer changes electrical resistance over thousands of ohms in a deflection of less than 0.0001 in. Called the Micro-Ducer, it contains a bourdon tube having a $3 / 32-\mathrm{in}$. diam. Sizes range from 0 to 5 psi up to 0 to 500 psi. Each unit is equipped with a pre-load adjustment so that pressures to $1,000 \mathrm{lb}$ can be sensed. A typical unit measures 1 in . in diameter and 15 in . long, weighing 75 g .

Clark Electronic Laboratories, Dept. ED, Box 165, Palm Springs, Calif.
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TYPE A hermefically sealed. Electrically similar to semi-enclosed Type A. Various mountings,

TYPE MX hermeticaliy sealed. Snap acting bimetal disc type units to open on temperature rise. differntials available on special pending on duty cycle, normal rating 3 amps, 115 VAC and 28 VDC for 250,000 cycles. Various terminals, mountings and brackets available. Bulletin 6100.

TYPE MX seml-enclosed. Construction and rating similar to MX hermetically sealed type. Bulletin 6100.

TYPE M hermetically sealed. Bimetal disc type, snap acting thermostats. Also available in semi-enclosed. Operation from -20 to $300^{\circ}{ }^{\circ}$. Lower and higher temperatures available rated non-inductive 10 amps, 120 VAC ; 3 amps, 28 VDC. Various terminals, wire leads and brackets available. Bulletin 6000.

TYPE C hermetically seaied. Also semi-enclosed styles. Small, positive acting with electrically independent bimetal strip for operation from -10 to $300^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. Rated at approximately 3 amps , depending on application. Hermetically sealed type can be furnished as double thermostat "alarm" type. Various terminals and mountings. Bulletin 5000.



## New Cubic 3-in-1 d-c amplifier has built-in strain-gauge power supply

Important savings in cost, space, and setup tıme are now possible for users of strain gauges with the Cubic Model $1100 \mathrm{~d}-\mathrm{c}$ wideband amplifier. This newest addition to the Cubic line of instrumentation amplifiers is really three units in one. It is (1) a differential-input, wideband d-c amplifier.
(2) a bridge balance circuit, and (3) a well regulated strain-gauge power supply
For applications not requiring the self-contanned power supply, modules which contain two d-c amplifiers can be supplied. You can mount 8 of these modules abreast ( 16 amplifiers) in a single standard rack.
Model 1100 amplifiers with built-in power supplies eliminate the hookup problems formerly encountered in multiple-strain-gauge operations. Even more important, they permit saving $\$ 200-400$ per channel since separate power supplies and bridge balance cırcuits are no longer needed

## ALSO THE 1000-SERIES

The Cubic line of d-c wideband amplifiers also includes the

Model 1000 series. These highly sophisticated solid-state instruments incorporate all the design improvements of 1960's state-of-the-art. Key to their versatility is the Cubiplug, a module that plugs into the 1000 -series amplifier chassis to provide any required gain, fixed or variable, and single-ended or differential input.

## SPECIFICATIONS AVAILABLE

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## Reversible Timing Motors

Provide automatic braking and clutching


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Bristol Motors, Div. Vocaline Co. of America, Dept. ED, Old Saybrook, Conn.
Availability: The motors can be delivered in 4 to 6 weeks.

## Peak Following Amplifier



Produces proportional dc level

Model V63 peak following amplifier amplifies signals from crystal-type accelerometers. It produces a proportional dc level for each peak of acceleration. At its output, it provides up to 100 ma. Input impedance is in excess of 1,000 meg. Bandwidth is from 5 cps to 5 kc . The output is dc coupled, at an impedance of less than 1 ohm from dc to 5 kc .
Video Instruments Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 3002 Pennsylvania Ave., Santa Monica, Calif.
Price \& Availability: Price is $\$ 685$ ea. Can be delivered 30 days after onder received.

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| Max. Capacity (at 0 volts bias) | 4 | $2 \mu \mathrm{fl}$ |
| Min. Forward Current (at I V) | 10 | 10 mAdc |
| Min. Saturation Voltage (at $100 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ ) | 100 | 100 volts |
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| Reverse Voltage ( $-65^{\circ}$ to $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) | 75 Volts |  |
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Houston Instrument Corp., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 22234, Houston 27, Texas.
Price \& Availability: Price is $\$ 1250$, delivery is 60 to 90 days.

## Reliability Tester

527
For life testing components


This reliability tester is designed for development laboratories; it subjects electronic equipment, in days, to conditions that normally take months or years to realize. The unit performs these operations: automatically switch equipment on and off; switch half or no load to full load; provide minimum and maximum operating voltages. It will also age diodes, capacitors, relays, and other devices. Model RT-5 has a range of 0.5 sec to 15 min ; model RT-10, 0.3 sec to 5 min . Operations are recorded on a 6 -digit counter.
Eagle-Tron Co., Dept. ED, 2137 Canyon Drive, Los Angeles 28, Calif.
Price \& Availability: Model RT-10, \$220; model RT-5, \$470. Delivery is in two weeks.

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Elastic Stop Nut Corp. of America, Dept. ED, 2330 Vauxhall Road, Union, N.J.

## Plug-In Circuit Boards

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For assembly of experimental and prototype circuits, these blank circuit boards have holes for inserting the firm's eyelets or terminals. The boards permit components to be mounted, connected with jumper wires, and soldered.
Plug-In Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 1416 Lebanon Road, Nashville 10, Tenn.
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Electro-Mechanical Research, Inc., Dept. ED, Sarasota, Fla.
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Ferrotran Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 693 Broadway, New York 12, N.Y.

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## Test Instruments <br> For non-magnetic rods, tubes and wires

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Borg-Warner Corp., Emcor Ingersoll Products Div., Dept. ED, 630 Congdon Ave., Elgin, Ill.

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Electronic Ventures, Dept. ED, 472 Kuehnis Drive, Campbell, Calif.
Price: $\$ 96.80$.
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For precision balancing


Model K balancer determines unbalance vibrations as small as $1 / 4$ of 1 millionth of an inch. The apparatus consists of two units, a balancing stand and an amplifier. It can accommodate rotors of diameters up to $2-1 / 2 \mathrm{in}$. and weighing up to 16 oz . Balancing speeds from 8,000 to 60 ,000 rpm are available. It can be used with gyros and other electro-mechanical devices.

Micro Balancing, Inc., Dept. ED, Herricks Road, Garden City Park, N. Y.

## Paper Tape Converter

353
For magnetic tape computers
The Model 7765 converts paper tape to magnetic tape at 150 characters per sec. Components are a paper-tape reader with photoelectric reading mechanism and a magnetic-tape writing unit. The machine will convert most paper tape in use today, including five-track telegraphic code and IBM eight-track (858) code. The output tape is the seven-track, 200 -character-per-in. Mylar magnetic tape used on the IBM 727, 729 I, 729 II and 729 IV tape units. The solid-state machine needs

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Kohde and Schwarz, Dept. ED, 111 Lexingto Ave., Passaic, N. J.
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Narda Microwave Corp., Dept. ED, 118-160 Herricks Road, Mineola, N. Y.
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Tuning-Fork Resonator
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Gyrex Corp., Dept. ED, 3003 Pennsylvania Ave., Santa Monica, Calif.
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Plastic Associates, Dept. ED, 2900 S. Coast Blvd., Laguna Beach, Calif.
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NRC Equipment Corp., Dept. ED, 160 Charleraont St., Newton 61, Mass.
Price \& Availability: Model 552 gage, $\$ 245$; model 7.52 control, $\$ 850$. Delivery is from stock.

## Absorption-Type Wave-Meter

## For use as marker cavity

Model 24-1 absorption-type wavemeter is designed for use as a marker cavity with broadband sweep generators. The device, which uses coaxial resonators and coaxial rf transmission line connections, is tuned by a precision micrometer head with 100 large thimble divisions for each revolution. Readability and resetability is $0.025 \%$. Range is 2 to 4 kmc ; accuracy, $0.05 \%$; loaded $\mathrm{Q}, 1000$.

Frequency Standards, Dept. ED, Asbury Park, N.J.

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Ledex Inc., Dept. ED, 123 Webster St., Dayton 2 Ohio.
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'Time-Delay Relay

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Leach Corp., Controls Div., Dept. ED, 5915 Avalon Blvd., Los Angeles 3, Calif. Availability: Three weeks.

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Magnetics Research Co., Dept. ED, 255 Grove St., White Plains, N. Y.
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## How To Combat Heat



## Good heat dissipation with dielectric strength are unique silicone properties

An example: Dow Corning silicone fluids are used as dielectric coolants for rapid dissipation of heat because of their thermal stability and rela. tively flat viscosity-temperature curves. (See chart below.) They can be pumped at high speeds without breakdown due to shear, maintain consistency from - 65 to 250 C ; and they will not oxidize or act as corrosives to metals even at high temperatures.
Low vapor pressure is an additional reason why Sierra Electronic Corporation, Menlo Park, California, specifies Dow Corning 200 Fluid as the heat transfer medium in their 100 and 500 watt, 50 ohm coaxial RF loads. Heat losses are dissipated through the dielectric coolant to fins on the cast housing, providing integral liquid cooling without loss of dielectric strength.
These terminations have excellent stability. Prolonged operation within their rating produces no measurable change of characteristics, even with
 From d axial line loads have a low VSWR ratio of less than $1.2 \ldots$ are compact and light in weight. And Dow Corning 200 Fluid helped Sierra engineers lick the heat problem by providing a dielectric with good heat conduction.

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## licone Team "Beats" Heat

is solenoid, manufactured by Cannon Electric Company, s Angeles, California, is subjected to high temperatures 1 other environmental extremes. One typical use: in umatic starters for aircraft turbine engines. To beat heat, Cannon engineers specify a silicone insulation tem consisting of: Dow Corning impregnating varnish; icone-glass tape; silicone rubber impregnated glass sleev; silicone fiber glass insulators; silicone compound for ling terminals; and, Silastic caulking paste. Completed enoids must withstand environmental tests including t spray, humidity, high and low temperatures and vibran. Cannon Electric chose the silicone team "for its supercharacteristics in resisting heat, moisture and abrasion; 1, its outstanding dielectric properties." "

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Solid State Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 15321 Rayn St., Sepulveda, Calif.
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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Collector-Base Voltage | $\mathrm{BV}_{\text {cво }}$ | 25 | 25 | 25 | volts |  |
| Collector-Emitter Voltage | $\mathrm{BV}_{\text {CER }}$ | 20 | 20 | 20 | volts |  |
| Emitter-Base Voltage | $\mathrm{BV}_{\text {Eво }}$ | 5 | 5 | 3 | volts | $\square$ |
| Power Dissipation <br> @ $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ case temperature | $P_{0}$ | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | watts | 4 |
| Power Dissipation <br> @ $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ambient temperature | $P_{0}$ | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | watts |  |
| Forward Current Jransfer Ratio | $h_{\text {fe }}$ | 2060 | 20.60 | 20 min | - |  |
| Base-Emitter Saturation Voltage | $V_{\text {BEESAD }}$ | 0.70 .9 | 0.70.9 | 0.9 | voits |  |
| Collector Saturation Voltage | $V_{\text {CEISAT }}$ | (0.4) | 0.6 | 0.6 | volts | Actual Size |
| Base Resistance | $r_{b}$ | (50) | - | - | ohms |  |
| Storage Time | $t_{s}$ | 25 | 25 | 60 | nsec |  |
| Turn On Time | $t_{\text {on }}$ | 40 | 40 | - | nsec |  |
| Turn Off Time | toll | 75 | 75 | - | nsec |  |

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Computer Engineering Associates, Inc., Dept ED, 350 N. Halstead, Pasadena, Calif.

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Automatic Timing \& Control, Inc., Dept. El King of Prussia, Pa.

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PRL Corp., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 215, East Brunswick, N.J.
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Westinghouse Electric Corp., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 2099, Pittsburgh 22, Pa.
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Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 100 Sylvan Road, Woburn, Mass.
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Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co., Mincom Div., Dept. ED, 2049 S. Barrington Ave., Los Angeles 25, Calif.

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Datex Corporation, Dept. ED, 1307 S. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia, Calif

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Roberts Engincering Group, Dept. ED, P.O. Box 305, Los Alamitos, Calif.
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Stromberg-Carlson, Dept. ED, Rochester 3, N.Y.

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Halex, Inc., Dept. ED, 310 E. Imperial Highway, El Segundo, Calif.
Price \& Availability: $\$ 4,600 ; 60$ to 90 days.

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FXR, Inc., Dept. ED, 25-26 50th St., Woodside 77, N. Y.

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Trak Electronics Co., Microwave Components Dept., Dept. ED, 48 Danbury Road, Wilton, Conn.
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L-Band Oscillator
For pulse and $c w$ service


Transmits 62,000 characters per sec
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Motorola Inc., Communications and Industrial Electronics Div., Dept. ED, 4501 W. Augusta Blvd., Chicago 51, Ill.
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Genesys, Dept. ED, 10131 National Blvd., Los Angeles 34, Calif. Price \& Availability: \$4,850 for model VMM-3; 30-day delivery.

## Tape Recorder

For recording data during missile flight


This magnetic tape recorder is designed to record more than 30 sec of analog data during the flight of a surface-to-surface missile. It is able to withstand $500-\mathrm{g}$ impact deceleration and $1.500-\mathrm{g}$ shock without loss of recorded data. Fourteen tracks of 1 -in. tape are used. The unit is mounted in a hermetically sealed cylindrical case measuring 3 in . high and 4 in . in diameter. It weighs less than 4 lb .

Litton Industries, Westrex Div., Dept. ED, 6601 Romaine St., Hollywood 38 , Calif.
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International Rectifier Corp., Dept. ED, 1521 E. Grand Ave., El Segundo, Calif.
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Microtran Co., Inc., Dept ED, 145 E. Mineola Ave., Valley Stream, N.Y.
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## Sheffer Stroke Modules

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The HS Series modules provide Sheffer Stroke gates for mechanizing digital systems. Complete digital switching networks, including flip-flops, can be built from these gates. Available gates have from two to six inputs. When Stroke gates are used with the firm's clocked flip-flops, two-level logic can be operated with a single phase clock at 3 mc .
Abacus, Inc., Dept. ED, 3040 Overland Ave., Los Angeles 34, Calif.

## Antenna Mount and Control System 357

Model 3514-3S antenna mount supports a load of 1500 lb . It delivers an elevation torque of $500 \mathrm{ft}-\mathrm{lb}$ and an azimuthal torque of $600 \mathrm{ft}-\mathrm{lb}$. Elevation speed is 90 deg in 7.5 sec , max, and azimuth speed is 2 rpm , max. Table size is 32 sq in . Model 7514-S servo control system provides for either manual speed control or remote servo operation. It has simultaneous dual-action variable speed control in either direction.

Antlab, Inc., Dept. ED, 6339 Proprietors Road, Worthington, Ohio.
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Waters Manufacturing, Inc., Dept. ED, Wayland, Mass.

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Litton Industries, Airtron, Inc. Dept. ED, 5873 Rodeo Road, Los Angeles 16, Calif.
Availability: From stock

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\cLean Engineering Laboratories, Dept. ED, P. O. Box 228, Princeton, N.J.
Arailability: From stock.

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General Electric Co., Power Tube Dept., Dept. ED, Schenectady 5, N.Y
Price \& Availability: Available in sumple quantities at $\$ 2,800$.

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Allied Control Co., Inc., Dept. ED 2 East End Ave., New York 21. N.Y.

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Daystrom, Inc., Weston Instruments Div., Dept. ED, 614 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 12, N.J.

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Components for Research, Inc., Dept. ED, 979 Commercial St., Palo Alto, Calif.

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Astral Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 14630 Arminta St., Van Nuys, Calif.
Price \& Availability: Priced from $\$ 1.56$ to $\$ 4.98$ ea; most models immediately available.

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Pyrodyne, Inc., Dept. ED. 11973 San Vicente Blvd., Los Angeles 49, Calif

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Corning Glass Works, Dept. ED, Corning, N. Y.

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The Zippertubing Co., Dept. ED, 752 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles, Calif.
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Hunter Spring Co., Dept. ED, I Spring Ave., Lansdale, Pa.

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The Lonco Organo-Fluxes are non-resinous, waterbased and have instantly soluble, non-charring residues. Applications are in transistors, diodes, connectors, terminal boards, and in other electronic uses. London Chemical Co., Inc., Dept. ED. 1535 N. 31st Ave., Melrose Park, Ill.

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639
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Magnetics Inc., Dept. ED, Butler, Pa Ava lability: From stock.

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United Aircraft Corp., Norden Div., Dept. ED, Wiley St., Milford, Conn.

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Infrared Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 42, Waltham 54, Mass.

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## Controller

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Bergen Laboratories Inc., Dept. ED, 60 Spruce St., Paterson 1, N.J
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## Silicon Power <br> Rectifier

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Syntron Co., Dept. ED, 283 Lexington Ave., Homer City, Penn. Price \& Availability: Delivery is 14 days after order received; prices range from $\$ 10.44$ to $\$ 59.20$ ea, depending on quantity and piv.

## Microminiature

528

## Relay

Withstands $50-\mathrm{g}$ shock
Type BC dc relay, hermetically sealed and can withstand 20 g to 2000 cps and $50-\mathrm{g}$ shock. Operating from -65 to +125 C , the unit requires 40 mw at pull-in at 25 C . Contacts are rated at 2 amp at 32 v dc and for 100,000 operations. Unit measures $0.4 \times 0.8 \times 1.275 \mathrm{in}$.
Hi-G, Inc., Dept. ED, Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn. Acailability: Made to order, the units can be delivered four weeks after order received.

## Miniature Delay Relay 538

Hermetically sealed in metal can
This miniature delay relay Model 900G, is a standard, ninepin socket unit hermetically sealed in a metal can. The time delay ranges from 2 to 180 sec . Voltage range is 6.3 to 115 v ac or dc. The unit is intended for both military and commercial use.
Thermal Controls, Inc., Dept. ED 41 River Road, North Arlington N.J.
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Rohde \& Schwarz, Dept. ED, 111 Lexington Ave., Passaic, N.J.

## Transistorized Counter

673
Uses digital logic techniques


The CT-100 transistorized counter uses digital logic techniques to register every input signal at rates to 100 kc . Units are available with preset count features and can be arranged to count up or down to a predetermined number. The cumulative count may be binary-decimal or natural binary code. Output signals are in the form of voltage levels. A visual indication of the count can be supplied

Datex Corp., Dept. ED, 1307 S. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia, Calif.

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For helicopters and airships
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Gries Reproducer Corp., Dept. ED, 400 Beechwood Ave., New Rochelle, N.Y.
Price: Price is less than $\$ 0.10$ ea.

## SSB Receiver

Model RSSB-59-1A ssb receiver is available for am broadcast use. It is designed for relaying radio broadcast signals, program monitoring in difficult reception areas and various Conelrad applications. It operates on 110 v ac or an emergency battery.
Kahn Research Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, 81 S. Bergen Place, Freeport. N.Y.

## Container Latch

368
Designed for rugged service, Type 37L latch has an ultimate tension and shear strength of 4500 lb ; $5-1 / 4$ and $3-7 / 8 \mathrm{in}$. lengths are available. The unit is fused for pin-shearing on overload.

Camloc Fastener Corp., Dept. ED, 22 Spring Valley Road, Paramus, N. J.

## Silicon Rectifiers

385
These units are for medium-power use at up to 6 amp. They are offered in eight piv ratings from 50 to 600 v and in $1 / 2-\mathrm{in}$. hex ceramic insulated or $7 / 16$-in. hex styles.

Cornell-Dubilier Electronic Corp., Dept. ED, Norwood, Mass.

## Work Holder

462
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Wilton Tool Manufacturing Co., Inc., Dept. ED, Schiller Park, III.

## Video Amplifier

635
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Television Utilities Corp., Dept. ED, 300 Denton Ave., New Hyde Park, L. I. N.Y.

## Resistance Thermometer

578
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Trans-Sonics, Inc., Dept. ED, Burlington, Mass.


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## Digital Indicator

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The Electric Indicator Co., Inc., Dept. ED, Springdale, Conn.

Trimmer Potentiometers
365
Single-turn unit


A single-turn, top-adjusting miniature potentiometer, the Wee Round model 530 trimmer has a $1 / 2-\mathrm{in}$. diameter, is $1 / 5 \mathrm{in}$. thick and weighs less than 2 g . Units are available in standard resistance values from 10 to 50,000 ohms. Wiper rotation is continuous; temperature range is -55 to +150 C. MIL-E-5272A specifications are met.

Handley, Inc., Dept. ED. 12960 Panama St., Los Angeles 66, Calif.

## Synchronous Motor

579
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Type SS150M militarized Slo-Syn synchronous motor has a torque of 150 oz .-in. and a speed of 72 rpm . It has instant stop, stop and reverse characteristics, and is suitable as a dc stepping or inching motor. Input power is $120 \mathrm{v}, 40$ to 70 cps; maximum current is 0.4 amp at 60 cps . The unit weighs 6-1/2 lb. Planetary gear assemblies, providing speeds of $16.6,3.3,0.67,0.133$ or 0.027 rpm, are available.

The Superior Electric Co., Dept. ED, Bristol, Conn.
Price: Price is $\$ 64.00$ without planetary gears.

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Associated Research Incorporated, Dept. ED, 3777 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago 18, Ill.
Price \& Availability: Bench types start at $\$ 895$, deluxe console models at $\$ 1,900$. Delivery from 4 to $6 w k$ after order received.

## Infrared Calibration 436 System

Range is 50 to 600 C
This secondary standard calibration system provides a versatile means of calibrating test sources of infrared energy. It provides a simultaneous comparison of IR sources with a secondary source whose radiation characteristics are accurately known. Calibration over the temperature range 50 to 600 C is possible. The unit can be used to calibrate sources up to 12 in . in diameter and 50 lb in weight. It is designed to test sources having aperture sizes from 0.0087 to 0.50 in. in diameter.
Perkin-Elmer Corp., Dept. ED, Norwalk, Conn.

## High-Mu Triode <br> 437

## For TV and fm tuners

Type RCA-6CW4 high-mu triode, a Nuvistor tube, is designed for use in TV and fm tuners. The of amplifier tube has a reported noise factor 2 to 4 db better than tuner tubes now in use. Operation data: heater voltage, $6.13 \mathrm{v} \pm 10 \%$; current at $6.3 \mathrm{v}, 0.13 \mathrm{amp}$; plate voltage, 70 v ; grid supply voltage, $0 v$; amplification factor, 68 ; transconiluctance, $12,500 \mu \mathrm{mhos}$; plate current, 8 ma .
Ridio Corp. of America, Electron Tube Div., Dept. ED, Harrison, N.J.


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JFD Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 6101 16th Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Price \& Availability: The units will be priced at about $\$ 70.00$ and will be available from stock in August, 1960.

## Servo Repeater

Has digital indication


Model SR-113 servo repeater, suitable for use with a synchro-transmitting unit, indicates the angular position of a remote shaft in digital form. The coded output can be fed to printers, tape punches, card punches, and light banks. The digital code output is 00000 to 35999 . The unit contains a resolver, servo motor, servo amplifier, transformer, shaft-position encoder, and gear trains. Maximum input shaft speed is 250 rpm . Absolute accuracy is $\pm 1.5$ counts.

Datex Corp., Dept. ED, 1307 S. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia, Calif.

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Vational Vulcanized Fibre Co., Dept. ED, $10 ; 0$ Beech St., Wilmington 99, Del.

High-Potential Test Sets
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For non-destructive testing


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General Hermetic Sealing Corp., Dept. ED 99 E. Hawthorne Ave., Valley Stream, L. I., N. Y

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537
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N:crolab, Dept. ED, 570 W. Mount Pleasant Ave Livingston, N. J.
Price \& Availability: Single-stub units, $\$ 40$ to $\$ 60$, double, $\$ 90$ to $\$ 140$; and triple, $\$ 140$ to $\$ 180$. Del wery is immediate.

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Power-Tronic Systems, Inc., Dept. ED, 10 Pine Court, New Rochelle, N.Y.

## Power Supply

558


Model 3210 transistorized, laboratory power supply provides an output of () to 32 v at a rated load of 1 amp . Maximum output current, selected by front-panel control, catn be $1.25,0.7$, 0.35 , and 0.1 amp. Ripple is less than 1 mv and voltage regulation is better than $0.1 \%$. Input is 105 to 125 v at 60 to 400 cps .

Power Instruments Corp., D(p)t. Eil), 235 ()regon St., El Segundo, Calif.
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Dialight Corp., Dept. ED, 60 Stewart Ave., Brooklyn 37, N. Y.
Availability: Lights ane acailable from stock. For free samples, engineers write on company letterhead to above address.


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Philco Corp., Lansdale Div.. Dept. El, Church Road, Lansclale, Pa.
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Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., Dept. ED, 360 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif. Price d Availability: From $\$ 41.5$ in lots of 1 to 9 to $\$ 32.5$ in lots of 100 and up); delivery time is 4.5 days.

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Mica Insulator, Div. Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, Schenectady 1, N. Y.

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Philco Corp., Lansdale Div., Dept. IED Church Road, Lansdale, Pa.

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Frequency range is 8.2 to 12.4 kmc


Designed for laboratory testing applications model WXS- 120 microwave switch is an spdt, manually-operated unit with a frequency range of 8.2 to 12.4 kmc . It can be used for switching from a slotted line to a reflectometer and ready switching from one signal source to an alternate source for gain measurement. Size is 1-5/8 in high and $3-1 / 2 \mathrm{in}$. deep. Minimum mechanical life is 100,000 cycles.
Waveguide, Inc., Dept. ED, Costa Mesa, Caliit Price: $\$ 275$ fob Costa Mesa.

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Type WX822 tunnel diodes are made of germanium grown by the dendritic crystal process. Ratings of the devices include: peak-to-valle! ratio $\left(I_{P} / I_{V}\right), 8$ to 1 ; forward current, 25 ma; reverse current, 25 ma ; dissipation, 50 mw ; junction temperature, 100 C . They operate at high frequencies and are suited for applications in logic, switching and computer circuitry where faster switching times than those possible with transistors are required.

Westinghouse Electric Corp., Dept. ED, Bor 2278, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Price: Prices range from $\$ 4.00$ to $\$ 5.50 \mathrm{ea}$ in quantities up to 24 ; from $\$ 3.20$ to $\$ 4.00$ on orders of 25 or more.


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Model CM100 tester provides for the following kind of inspection: flaw detection, surface or internal; thickness measurement from one side; and determination of physical and structural properties. Designed for in-plant use, the unit is portable.
Circo Ultrasonic Corp.. Dept. ED, 51 Terminal
Ave., Clark, N.J.

## Wire Straights

638
For hermetic sealing, wire straights with squarecut ends and with no surface markings come in standard sizes of Rodar and No. 52 alloy. Nonstandard wire diameters and alloys can also be furnished.

Art Wire and Stamping Co., Dept. ED, 227 High St., Newark 2, N.J.
Availability: Immediate delivery on stock items.

## Solderless Terminals

Multiple V-notches in the barrel of these solderless terminals insure positive contact and good holding power. The terminals are made of pure soft copper, electro-tin plated for corrosion resistance. Wire ranges are clearly stamped on each terminal.
Malco Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 4025 W. Lake St., Chicago 24, Ill.

## Lead Extractors

608
Called Little Joe lead extractors, these tools are used to eject insulated leads through the shields of braided wire. Five models are available; they accommodate most wires from 32 to 14 AWG

MacDonold \& Co., Dept. ED. 1325 Ethel St.,
Glendale 7, Calif.
Price: Price is $\$ 4.25$ ea.; for 10 or more, $\$ 4.00$

## Expendable Elapsed Time Indicator 406

The Chronistor elapsed time indicator is a subminiature, expendable timer which operates on the electroplating principle. Current required is 1 ma at any voltage greater than 6 v dc. Full scale hours from 100 to 10.000 are available. It fits any standard 3AG cartridge fuse clip.
Bergen Laboratories Inc., Dept. ED, 60 Spruce St.. Paterson 1, N.J.

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## NEW PRODUCTS

## Backward Diodes

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Pliilco Corp., Lansdale Div, Dept. ED, Church Road, Lansdale, Pia.

## Crystal Oven

Is stable to 0.005 C


This crystal oven is stable to within $\pm 0.005$ C with a constant ambient temperature and within 0.001 C per deg C from -20 to +65 C. Power consumption is 8 w max. Input voltage is 115 v ac. Outside dimensions are $4 \times 2 \mathrm{in}$. round. The oven has a thermostatic, mercury control with transistor switching.
Monitor Products Co., Dept. EI), 815 Fremont. South Pasadena, Calif

## Signalling equipment

## Uses frequency-shift tone

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Hammarlund Manufacturing Co., Inc., Dept ED, 460 W. 34th St., New York 1, N. Y.
Price \& Availability: The transmitter is priced al $\$ 10 \%$, the receiver at $\$ 220$. They cam be deliveral within four to six weeks.

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## Magnetic Shielding Cans

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Itagnetic Shield Div., Perfection Mic:a Co., Dept EI), 1322 N. Elston Ave. Chicago 22, Ill.

## Insulation Analyzer

602
The D-K analyzer, a direct reading instrument that measures dielectric comstant and dissipation factor of insulating materials, is now furnished with probes for num-destructive examination of parts made of glass reinforced plastics and other materials.
Delsen Corp., Dept. ED, 719 W. Broadway, Clendale 4, Calif.

## Paper Packaging Profects Copper

640
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Danhert Chemical Co., Dept. ED, 4700 S . Central Ave., Chicago 38, III.

## Phase Loss Detector

This Solid-state detector indicates open circuits in three-phase, $40(0)-\mathrm{c}^{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{ps}$ motor systems and is suitable for $115-\mathrm{v}$, line-to-neutral, four-wire power systems. Main component is precision-wound toroidal magnetic core.
Hydro-Aire Co., Electronic:s Dept., Dopt. ED), 3000 Winona Ave., Burbank, Calif.

## Vibration Calculator

The Dialor is designed for determining the relat tionship between displacement, velocity, and acceleration according to the sinusoidal motion theory, Ling-Altec Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 1515 S. Miuchester, Anahein, Calif.
Atuilability: Will be furnished without charge upon receipt of company letterhead request.

## Turntable

The T-898 air-bearing rate turntable is for use in high and low infinitely rate rallges. Bench mounted or portable, the machine needs 115 v of $6(0)$-cps power and 80 psi of shop air.
Sterling Precision Corp., Instrument Div., Dept. EI) 17 Matinecock Are., Port Washingtom, L.I., N.Y.

## Tapping Screw

508
( Iled Tapits, this hole-drilling tapping screw elin mates hole punching or drilling of light-gage she metal. It is used with a $1 / 4$-in. power screw

P rker-Kalon, Dept. ED, Clifton, N.J.


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## NEW PRODUCTS

## Switching Transistors

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Philco Corp., Lansdale Div., Dept. ED Church Road, Lansdale, Pa.
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555
Supply from 10 to $150 \mathrm{v} d \mathrm{dc}$


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Spectrol Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 170 S. Del Mar Ave., San Gabriel, Calif.

Price: About $\$ 300$.

## Circuit Modules

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Rosemount Engineering Co., Dept. ED, 4900 W. 78th St., Minneapolis 24, Minn.

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Clevite Corp., Brush Instruments, Dept. ED, 37th and Perkins, Cleveland 14, Ohio.
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Universal Bridge
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## Direct-reading

This direct-reading universal bridge measures inductance from $1 \mu \mathrm{~h}$ to 100 h , capacitance from 1 pf to $100 \mu \mathrm{f}$, and resistance from 0.1 ohm to 100 meg . Inductance or capacitance measurements can be made at 1 or 10 kc , resistance at dc. Identified as model 868 B , the system is contain ed in a single unit. Only one dial is used. Accuracy is $1 \%$.
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Hermes Crystal Filter, Model 692A, shown half size, oc

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Du-Co Ceramics Co., Dept. ED, Saxonburg, Pa

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Shure Brothers, Inc., Dept. ED, 222 Hartrey Ave., Evanston, III.

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Alpha Tech Products, Dept. ED, Appleton, Wis.

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Cramer Controls Corp., Dept. El), Centerbrook, Com.

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NEW! Recently published data u. predicting effect of low temperature on Indox V and VI, compiled by Indiana scientists. For your copy, write for Applied Magnetics, Fourth Quarter, 1959.



## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

|  | indox I | indox VI |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Coercive Force ( $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{c}}$ ) oorsteds. | $1,825$ | 2,550 |
| Residual Induction ( $\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{r}}$ ) gausses | 2,200 | 3,200 |
| Peak Energy Product $\left(\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{a}} \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{a}}\right)$ | $1.0 \times 10^{6}$ | $2.4 \times 10^{6}$ |
| Roversible Permeability | 1.2 | 1.06 |
| Temperature Coofficient | $-0.19 \% /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $-0.19 \% /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Magnetization Field for |  |  |
| Saturation, oorstods | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| Chemical Composition | - BaFe $1_{2} \mathrm{O}_{19}$ | BaFo ${ }_{12} \mathrm{O}_{19}$ |
| Specific Gravity - - | $\begin{gathered} 4.7 \text { or } \\ 0.17 \mathrm{lb} / \mathrm{cu} \text { in } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 4.5 \text { or } \\ 0.162 \mathrm{lb} / \mathrm{cu} \mathrm{ln} \end{gathered}$ |

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## NEW PRODUCTS

## Wavemeter

## For coaxial transmission lines

Model 12-1 wavemeter is intended for use as a marker cavity with a broad-sweep generator. The search-type unit uses coaxial resonators and transmission line connections. Specifications are: range, 1 to 2 kmc ; accuracy, $0.5 \%$; loaded $Q$ (nominal), 1000; connectors, female $\mathbf{N}$; absorp. tion dip, $10 \% \mathrm{~min}$. Resettability and readability is $0.025 \%$

Frequency Standards, Dept. ED, P. O. Box 504, Asbury Park, N.J.

## DC Amplifier

Gain is 10 to 80 db


Providing a gain of 10 to 80 db , model VS 67A de amplifier drives slow ink recorders. It is shown with a recorder having a maximum recording sensitivity of about 150 mv full scale. Frequency response is 0 to 3 cps ; linearity is $0.5 \%$ at 0 to $100 \mu \mathrm{v}, \mathbf{1 . 5 \%}$ at 0 to $250 \mu \mathrm{v}$. Maximum output is $\pm 2.5 \mathrm{v}$ at $\pm 1 \mathrm{ma}$. Noise voltage is $1 \mu \mathrm{v}$ rms max, referred to the shorted input.

Millivac Instruments, Div. of Cohu Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, Box 997, Schenectady, N.Y.
Price \& Availability: \$480; from stock.

## Magnetic Amplifier

Meets missile requirements
Model 1211 bistable magnetic relay amplifier, weighing less than 1 lb , is designed to meet the requirements of missile use. It has as its input a photo-resistor with a resistance of 2 to 5 meg . It functions at low levels of current and is capable of reacting to 10 or $25-\mu \mathrm{a}$ signals. Output is about 10 v at 10 mils .

Lumen, Inc., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 905, Moen Ave., Joliet, Ill.
Price \& Availability: $\$ 282$ in small quantities; four or five-week delivery.

## Vibration Calibrator

The Vibracal decals for sput-checking the calibrathin of vibration measuring systems during environmental vibration tests, provide an optical indication of motion of 0.085 in., double amplitude. They can be affixed to a shake table or test specimen near the vibration pickup. Several optical patterns can be furnished. Accuracy is $\pm 5 \%$.
Wrisley Engineering, Inc., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 5 (i, Winchester, Mass.
Price: $\$ 1.75$ for five.

## Synchro Holding Fixture

441
This fixture holds synchros for transformation ratio, phase shift impedance, primary power and current tests as specified in MIL-S-20708A. It fits sizes 5 to 19. Quick mounting and disconnect clamps are used.
Angler Industries, Dept. ED, 3 Lexington Drive, Metuchen, N.J.
Price \& Availability: $\$ 32$ fob Metuchen; one-week delivery.

## Armoured Plug Provides Ground Connection

This armored plug has a polarized chisel-edge grounding blade which automatically makes contact with the faceplate of a 2 -hole receptacle or the grounding hole of a 3 -hole receptacle. Rating is 125 v at 15 amp . Mil specs are met.
A. P. M. Corp., Dept. ED, 252 Hawthome Ave., Yonkers, N.Y.

Test Jack
429
The SKT-34 test jack is designed to receive a 0.032 in . diameter probe to a depth of 0.2 in . max. Its closed entry construction assures alinement of the probe in test operations. Contracts are beryllium copper. A double-turret stud on the reverse side of the chassis is provided for circuitry termination.
Sealectro Corp., Dept. ED, 139 Hoyt St., Mamaroneck, N.Y.

## Temperature Control Element

The D-140 temperature control element has a length of $1-1 / 2 \mathrm{in}$., an $O D$ of $1 / 4 \mathrm{in}$. and weighs $1 / 4 \mathrm{oz}$. The setting standard tolerance is approximately $5 \%$ depending on the balance of the electrical circuit involved.
Scaico Controls, Inc., Dept. ED, 210 Taylor St., Riverside, N.J.

## Vibration And Shock Control Mounting 431

This all-metal vibration and shock control mounting system, model 2678-1, is a center-of-gravity type wh ich meets the requirements of Mil-E-5272A. Its na ural frequency is 16 cps with a vertical transmi sibility of 4.
lobinson Technical Products, Inc., Dept. ED. Ti erboro, N.J.

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Northeastern Engineering Inc., Dept. EI), 25 S. Bedford St., Manchester, N.H.

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## Voltage Reference

561
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Hoffman Electronics Corp., Dept. El), 3761 Hill St., Los Angeles, Calif.
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Kelvin Electric Co., Dept. ED, 5907 Noble Ave. Van Nuys, Calif

## Self-Locking Nuł

628
J-Lok nuts can be used either side up in automatic assemblies and can be made for high-temperature applications. The internal locking ring can be Delrin or Polypropylene.
Jacobson Nut Manufacturing Corp., Dept. ED, Box 177, Kenilworth, N.J.
Availability: Standard sizes now arailable.

## Digital Clocks

Models 570A and 571B fit into the firm's 560A and 561B digital recorders. They indicate time to $2: 3 \mathrm{hr}, 50 \mathrm{~min}, 50 \mathrm{sec}$. Display is by long-life, inline indicator tubes and all time digits are available for printing.
Hewlett-Packard Co., D(rpt. EI), 275 Patge Mill Road, Palo Alto, Calif.

## Power Relays

630
The contact rating of the PR series relays has been increased from 13 amp to 25 amp at 115 to 230 v ac, non-inductive. The 25 -amp rating is also for $1 \mathrm{hp}, 115$ to 230 v , non-inductive, single phase. Potter \& Brumfield, Dept. ED, Princeton, Ind.

## Bonding Compound

634
Bondaid is for preparing Teflon, TFE, FEP, and KEL-F surfaces for bonding to other materials. It makes fluorocarbons bondable to metals, other plastics, glass ceramics, textiles, and woods.
W. S. Shamban \& Co., Polytex Div., Dept. ED, Box 1037, Culver City, Calif.
Availability: The product is furnished directly from the factories.

## Adjustable Speed Drives

371
ECI-Drives, easily controlled and programed, insure $1 \%$ to $2 \%$ regulation without tachometer feedback to automatically drive machine tools and special purpose machinery. Ratings from $1 / 40$ to 3 hp are available.

ECI Manufacturing Div., Electronic Controls Inc., Dept. ED, 85 Magee Ave., Stamford, Conn.

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633
Type WL-7371 is for communication transmitters and is adaptable for single-sideband linearamplifier service. Input power rating is 300 w ; plate dissipation is 75 w . Signal power dissipation is 125 w max.
Westinghouse Electric Corp., Electronic Tube Div., Dept. EI). P. O. Box 284, Elmira, N.Y.

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Wayne Kerr Corp., Dept. ED, 1633 Race St Philadelphia 3, Pa.
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Photomultiplier Tube
Has 10 stages


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CBS Laboratories, Electron Tube Dept., Dept. ED, High Ridge Road, Stamford, Conn
Price \& Availability: \$150; from stock.

## Axial Flow Fan

Noise level less than 65 db
This fan operates with a noise level of less than 65 db and was designed for shipboard and airborne applications. It delivers 140 cfm at a pressure rise of 2 in . of water. The motor operates on $400 \mathrm{cps}, 3$ phase, 115 v . The fan housing is 4.25 in . in diameter, 4.5 in . long; it weighs 3.5 lb . The fan housing and impeller are made of aluminum.
The Cosmodyne Corp., Dept. ED, 12833 Simms Ave., Hawthorne, Calif.
Availability: Delivery is 3 to 5 weeks, depinding on quantity.

## Spray Cleaner

Elektrokleen instant spray solvent permits components to be cleaned without removing them. The aerosol container uses a nozzle that releases the so!vent in a narrow-cone, long-range drenching sp:ay. It leaves no film or residue.
Montgomery Chemical Co., Dept. ED, Jenkintown, Pa .
Price \& Availability: The $16-0 z$ can is priced at $\$ 1.95$ ea. Cases of 12 cans are available at a discount. Trial cans can be furnished at the special price of $\$ 1.30$ ea.

## VU Meter

416
This VU meter, Model VU-100, is designed to eliminate guesswork as far as level control is concerned and to prevent overmodulation. Specs are: $4.5-\mathrm{in}$. VU meter; two-color scale; modulation calibrations, 0 to $100 \%$; VU calibrations, -20 to +3 ; dual impedance input sensitivity, $200 \mu$ a; shunts for 1.2 or 12 v ; mounts in 2-3/4 in. hole; depth, 1.5 in . Robins Industries Inc., Dept. ED. Flushing, N.Y. Price: List price is $\$ 22$.

Subminiafure Test Jack
417
This subminiature, press-type, Teflon-insulated test jack accepts a 0.061 in. probe. Nine test jacks may be installed in a space measuring $9 / 16 \times 15 / 16$ in.
Hiram Jones Electronics, Dept. ED, 2313 W. Olive St., Burbank, Calif.
Price and Availability: Available from stock; prices start from $\$ 0.065$ ea in quantity lots.

## Cable Sheath Slitter

418
This cable sheath stripper, model N-62267, is designed for heavy-duty cable sheathings and handles large and small diameter cable equally well. It allows cable cutting at any point without previous notching.
P. K. Neuses, Inc., Dept. ED, 511 N. Dwyer St., Arlington Heights, III.
Price: With two blades cost is $\$ 4.20$.

## Full-Wave Bridge Rectifier

668
This three-phase, full-wave bridge rectifier has an oil-immersed plate and filament transformer. Various sizes are available up to 150 kw dc.
The Light Electric Corp., Dept. ED, 212 Lackawanna Ave., Newark 4, N. J.

Double-Pole Toggle Switch
669
his switch is a double-pole toggle switch with a "0-amp rating. Terminals come in spade, screw and solder type, housing dimensions are: 1.237 in . froin front to end of spade, 1.2 in . long and 0.762 in. wide. Electrical ratings are: $20 \mathrm{amp}, 125 \mathrm{v}$, ac $1-12 \mathrm{hp} ; 250 \mathrm{v}$, ac non-inductive, $0 \mathrm{amp} ; 250 \mathrm{v}$, ac 21 .
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Electro Impulse Laboratory, Inc., Dept. ED, 208 River St., Red Bank, N. J.
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## 5-Kw Transmitter

Model 96 SSB transmitter, rated at 5 kw , will reach 6.8 kw peak-envelope power at any frequency from 2 to 32 mc . It operates on $\mathrm{am}, \mathrm{cw}$, mow and fsk. The unit is $12-5 / 16 \mathrm{in}$. wide, 72 in . high and $27-3 / 4 \mathrm{in}$. deep. Components are mounted on a drawer-type slide to ease servicing. A modernization kit to convert the conventional Model 96 am transmitter to single sideband is also available.
Wilcox Electric Co., Dept. ED, 14th and Chestnut, Kansas City 27, Mo.
Availability: Delivery 120 days after receipt of order.
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## High-Voltage Power Supplies

664
Uligh-voltage power supplies models 40-6 and 40-i are based on the ORNL Q-2057 design and make use of 85A2 gas reference tubes for coarse control. For fine control the 40-6 uses Zener diodes. All switch positions are calibrated directly in volts. Kadiation Instrument Development Laboratory, Inc., Dept. ED, 61 E. North Ave., Northlake, Ill.

## Temperałure Indicating Controller

665
This temperature indicating controller is an electronic, on-off controller and pyrometric temperature indicator, designed for use on processes requiring continuous control. It is available in 11 ranges from 0 to 400 F to 0 to $3,000 \mathrm{~F}$ and an environmental test chamber range of -100 to +300 F .
Illinois Testing Laboratories, Inc., Allnor Instrument Co. Div., Dept. ED. 420 N LaSalle St., Chicago 10, Ill.

## Copper-Aluminum Laminate

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This laminate, known as Cladplate, consists of a layer of aluminum on which a layer of electrolytic copper is clad on one or both sides. The metals are bonded under heat and high pressure. It is available in most thicknesses of aluminum and copper in full sheet sizes up to $48 \times 144 \mathrm{in}$. with commercial finishes as well as high polish finish.
Kenmore Sales Co., Dept. ED. Reiss Ave., Lowell, Mass.

## Panel Enclosures

667
Panel enclosures Nema Type 12 are designed to house electrical controls and for use as terminal boxes and instrument enclosures. Handle assemblies accommodate padlocks, provision is made for installation of single strip fluorescent lamps, all seams are welded and a neoprene gasket is cemented inside the door for a liquid-tight seal. Sizes range from $16 \times 12 \times 6 \mathrm{in}$. to $72 \times 60 \times 12 \mathrm{in}$.
Keystone Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 23328 Sherwood Road, Warren, Mich.

## Precision Welding Head

684
Type $M$ is for automated production of subminiature devices such as diodes and transistors. It is designed for installation in a standard dry box. Welding action can be initiated by automatic programming or adapted to dial feed for high-production rate.
Raytheon Co., Commercial Apparatus and System. Div., Dept. ED, 415 Providence Turnpike, Korvood, Mass.

## DC Power Supplies

646
Tiltage range of the model RS40B is 0 to 125 v ; regulation is within 6 v over a 2 to 20 amp current rang. Rack and cabinet mounts are available. $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ ad Electric Co., Dept. ED, 43 Walker St., New York 13, N. Y.

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|  | VOLTS | MA |  |
| 2204 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 220AK |
| 213A | 0.50 | 0-1000 | 213AK |
| 215A | 0.50 | 0.3000 | 215AK |
| 225A | 0.75 | 0.2000 | 225AK |
| 212A' | 0.100 | 0.100 | 212AK' |
| 2-212A ${ }^{\text {i, }}$ | $0.100 \times 2$ | 0-100×2 | 2-212AK ${ }^{3}$ |
| 224A' | 0.100 | $0-200$ | 224AK' |
| 2214 | 0-100 | 0.500 | 221AK |
| 214 A | $0-100$ | 0.1000 | 214AK |
| 226 A | 0-100 | 0-2000 | 226AK |
| 218 A | 0-100 | 0.3000 | 218AK |
| 229 A | 0.150 | 0-300 | 229AK |
| 228 A | 0-150 | 0.1000 | 228AK |
| 230A | 0-200 | 0-1000 | 230AK |
| $231 A^{2}$ | 0-300 | 0-100 | $2314 K^{2}$ |
| $232 A^{2}$ | 0.300 | 0-200 | $232 A K^{2}$ |
| $233 A^{7}$ | 0-300 | 0.300 | $233 A K^{2}$ |
| 234A | 0.300 | 0.500 | 234AK |
| 2374 | 0-300 | 0-1000 | 237AK |
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Kearfott Div., General Precision, Inc., Dept. ED, 1150 McBride Ave., Little Falls, N. J.

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National Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, Geneva, III.

Availability: From stock.

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James Cunningham, Son \& Co., Inc., Dept. ED, Rochester 8, N.Y.
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Tin alloys may be used as hotdipped or electrodeposited coatings on other metals or they may be cast as the base metal. Use of tin will result in one or more of these characteristics being added to finished products:

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Raytheon Co., Machlett Laboratories, Inc. Dept. ED, Springdale, Conn.

## Coaxial Filters

For operation from 3.5 to $\mathbf{4 k m c}$


Designed for operation from 3.5 to 4 kmc , type 90116 two-section coaxial filter is individually tuned by a micrometer drive to provide a $3-\mathrm{db}$ bandwidth of 14 mc , nominal. It has an input vswr of 1.25 max and an insertion loss of 1.3 db max. The rejection at a nominal operating frequency $\pm 30 \mathrm{mc}$ is 22 db min. The unit is intended for laboratory use with the micrometer drive providing an accurate correlation to frequency.
Waveline, Inc., Dept. ED, Caldwell, N.J. Availability: Made on order.

## DC Power Supply

624

## Completely transistorized

Model QR36-15A is a completely transistorized dc power supply which furnishes a regulated, completely adjustable output voltage from 0 to 36 v dc at 15 amp . Designed for powering critical transistor circuits, the unit includes filtering and rapid recovery from line or load transients, providing spike-free output. It may be operated with positive or negative ground, or with ungrounded output.

Raytheon Co., Dept. ED, Waltham 54, Mass.

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General Precision Inc., Kearfott Div., Dept. EI), 1150 McBride Ave., Little Falls, N.J.

## Digital Clock

574
Performs three basic functions


Model 2.24A digital clock provides three basic clock functions: digital-time display, digital time in 1-2-2-4 coded output form, and elapsed-time measurement with digital-time display and coded output. Real time or time measurement is display in hours, minutes and seconds. The internal l-cps clock pulses are generated by synchronization with the $60-\mathrm{cps}$ power line or by external sources such as a crystal-controlled time generator. Nixie readout is optional.

Computer-Measurements Co., Dept. ED, 12970 Bradley Ave., Sylmar, Calif.
Price: $\$ 69.5$.

## Analog-to-Digital Converter

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## High speed capability

This electronic converter is capable of supplying two and one-half million samples of information per second, with an accuracy of $1 / 2 \%$ of full scale. It is less than a cubic foot in size and converts analog or continuous signal information into digital form for processing by a digital computer.

Raytheon Co., Dept. EI), Waltham 54, Mass.

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## Wire And Cable Strapping

647
This wire tying system, called Insuloid Strapping, consists of a PVC plastic belt with spaced. mounting holes and stud-like inserts. It can secure all types of unsupported wire and cable. It is available in $75-\mathrm{ft}$ coils and two widths, $5 / 16 \mathrm{in}$. and $1 / 2 \mathrm{in}$.
Electrovert Inc., Dept. ED. 124 E. 40 St., New York 16, N. Y.
Price \& Availability: The $5 / 16 \mathrm{in}$. width is $\$ 2.25$ per coil, the $1 / 2 \mathrm{in}$. width is $\$ 3.75$ per coil. Studs are $\$ 5$ per thousand. From stock.

## Mefalized Transformer Terminals 458

These metalized ceramic transformer terminals include feed-through and stand-off types, both in steatite and alumina ceramics, glazed and unglazed. Two types of hardware are available, solder lug and threaded bushing. The Transformer terminals cover a voltage range up to $22,500 \mathrm{v}$
Metalizing Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, 338 Hudson t., Hackensack, N.J.

## Diamond Spatula

This diamond spatula is used to clean contact points on relays and other electric and electronic devices. The original metal shaft has been replaced by a nylon shaft for greater flexibility and insulation. Jonard International Corp., Dept. ED. 524 Madison Ave., New York, N.Y
Price: Prices range up to $\$ 4.95$ ea.

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Di/An Controls, Inc., Dept. ED, 40 Leon St., Boston 15, Mass.
Price \& Availability: $\$ 0.65$ per bit in 4,032-character size; $\$ 10$ per bit in 36 -character size. Delivery time is 6 weeks to 8 months.

## Accelerometer Transducer

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Weighing less than 3 oz model 4-202 tempera-ture-compensated, strain-gage accelerometer is designed to measure acceleration perpendicular to the mounting surface. It occupies 1 cu in . Linearity and hysteresis characteristics are rated at less than $\pm 0.75 \%$ of full range output. Standard ranges are between $\pm 5 \mathrm{~g}$ and $\pm 500 \mathrm{~g}$. Over-acceleration up to 20 times the rated range is permitted by mechanical stops. Input voltage is 5 v with a full-range output of $\pm 20 \mathrm{mv}$.
Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., Dept. ED, 360 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif.

## Power Supply

## Output is 0 to 50 v

This bench-type power supply provides a continuously adjustable output of 0 to 50 v dc at 0 to 500 ma . The input is 95 to 125 v ac, rms , 60 cps , single phase. Ripple is 3.5 mv at maximum voltage and full load. Stability after warmup is $0.01 \%$; long term thermal drift from start to stable temperature is 50 mv . Output impedance is less than 0.1 ohm . Size of the unit is $51 / 4 \mathrm{x}$ $41 / 4 \times 5$ in.
Autotronics Inc., Dept. ED, Box 208, Florissant, Mo.

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## Waveguide Meters

These waveguide meters provide vswr measurements on larger waveguides including the WR2300 and WR2100. The instruments have adjustable mounts and ball-bearing carriages. Construction is rugged.

Schutter Microwave Corp., Dept. ED, 80 E. Montauk Highway, Lindenhurst, N.Y.
Availability: Immediate.

## Rotary Index Head

The index wheel of the type THM 101 rotary index head is calibrated with both clockwise and counter-clockwise angular markings. Settings may be made in $30-\mathrm{sec}$ increments to an accuracy of 3 sec of arc.

Millitest Corporation, Dept. ED, 88 Madison Ave., Hempstead, Long Island, N.Y.

## Acceleration Indicator

453
Model AT-1 direct-indicating acceleration sensor records acceleration and shock up to 150 g . Accuracy is $\pm 5 \%$ of full scale. The unit is tubular, less than 3 in . long, weighs 0.3 oz , and mounts in a cable clamp or fuse clip. It is suitable for shock-testing of equipment.

Eastern Technical Associates., Inc., Dept ED, Main St., North Acton, Mass.
Price \& Availability: Prices from $\$ 5$ to $\$ 3$, depending on quantity; delivery from stock.

## Constant-Temperature Cabinets

454
These constant-temperature cabinets are for storage and protection of heat-sensitive missile components such as gyroscopes and velocity meters on both sea and shore. Built to Navy specs, the cabinets provide safety alarm circuits and special loading systems as well as close temperature control. A number of sizes are offered. The cabinet can be adapted to meet various requirements for temperature, control, and loading.
Precision Scientific Co., Dept. ED, 3737 W. Cortland St., Chicago 47, Ill.

## Temperature Control

455
This on-off temperature control enables a mercury tube to switch loads up to 10 amp at 28 v dc with no moving parts.

Vapor Heating Corp., Vap-Air Div., 6240 W. Howard St., Chicago 48, Ill.

## Radio Command Receiver

456
Radio command receiver, model RR-575, is used in flight control of target and aircraft drones. The receiver operates in the range of 406 to 550 mc with a frequency stability of $\pm 0.01 \% \mid$ It has a 60 db image and spurious frequency rejection.

Electronic Specialty Co., Dept. ED, 5121 San Fernando Road, Los Angeles 39, Calif.


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## In pregnation Equipment <br> Comes in heated and unheated models

this impregnation equipment comes in heated mulels for waxes and asphalts, and unheated models for varnishes and resins. It uses a twostep cycle of high vacuum and high pressure for removal of air and moisture from parts and penetration and coverage of the impregnant. In the heated model, the dual 9 -ft capacity tanks are insulated and have thermostatic control from 0 to 500 F .
Metallizing Company of America, Inc., Dept. ED, 3520 W. Carroll Ave., Chicago 24, Ill.

## Tape Welder

264
Operates at production-line speed
Made to operate at production-line speeds, Model W-2 tape welder joins resistance alloy wires measuring 0.025 to 0.0007 in . in diameter. The weld is stronger than the parent wire and accurate to one turn. The unit welds without pressure and causes no heat damage to adjacent parts. It completes a weld in 12 sec . Maximum power consumption is 30 w .
Hanjohn Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 2711 E. Foothill Blvd., Pasadena, Calif.
Price \& Availability: \$375; one week.

## Dip Soldering Equipment <br> 265

For printed and etched boards
Model 13-DSM-16D dip soldering machine is designed for the soldering of printed and etched boards. It has a capacity of 60 boards per hour with the dwell time set at 6 sec . Dwell time can be controlled from 0 to $14-1 / 4 \mathrm{sec}$ in 0.3 -sec steps and is regulated within 0.1 sec of the selected time. Dross accumulation is automatically removed prior to each cycle.
Jefferson Electronic Products, Dept. ED, 109 De la Guerra St., Santa Barbara, Calif. Availability: Immediate delivery.

## Mixing Unit

For rapid setting compounds
The Meter-Mix unit meters, mixes and delivers a homogenous air-free mixture of rapid setting. two component sealants and epoxy resins on a continuous or intermittent basis at any rate up tis 10 gal per hr. The unit may be cleaned for shut-down in 60 sec . The base material and the ccelerator are metered and pumped by a separate positive displacement pumps which can be n tered 0 to $100 \%$.
M rphy and Miller, Inc., Dept. ED, 600 W. Tayl:r St., Chicago, Ill.

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This output is converted into a pulse train that operates the digital readout circuits. This initial


Block diagram of digital voltmeter. Output from binary counter regulates resistanee of digital pot, which. in turn, determines gain of loop including the pot and the dc amplifier. Binary counter output also is "read-out.
sisnal, however, does not give the correct answer, which is obtained by means of the feedback loop from the integrator output to a variable resistauce connecting the input and output of the dc a anplifier.
The magnitude of this variable resistance-denoted in the diagram as a digital pot-depends on the integrator output. The reason is that this digital pot essentially is a decade box whose switching is done by transistors instead of manually. The integrator output is the switching signal.
The gain of the dc amplifier is sufficiently high so the gain of the loop that includes the dc amplifier and the digital pot depends almost exclusively on the value of the digital pot.
The feedback mechanism works as follows:
The output of the squaring network is proportional to the input squared minus a constant (the reference supply). Hence, the output is zero for only one particular value of input-the square root of the reference supply divided by the proportionality constant.
The integrator output, by means of the transistor switches and the digital pot, changes the gain of the dc amplifier until the output of the squaring network is zero.
Hence, the output of the integrating amplifier is zero, and the output of the error amplifier is zero. The digital readout stops.
The digital circuits effectively read the change in dc-amplifier gain that was necessary to produce a zero error signal. Because this gain depends upon the input, it is also an effective measure of the input.

Ideally, the squaring network has a parabolic transfer function. In practice, this is approximated to within 0.2 per cent accuracy by a piece-wise linear transfer function.

The first leg of the circuit is a potentiometer, so the output is proportional to the input. At a given voltage, a diode breaks down and transfers the signal to another potentiometer. The output is again proportional to the input, but this time, by a different proportionality constant. Thus, each putentiometer-diode circuit gives a linear approximation to a different portion of the ideal parabola.

The stability of the squaring network depends upon the stability of the diodes' back-voltage characteristics. This is obtained by keeping the diodes in a constant-temperature oven.

The squaring-network reference supply is a conventional Zener configuration. The dc amplifirr is a wide-band, chopper, stabilized type.

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## Approximate Radar Range Equation Causes Errors in Low-Noise System Calculations


#### Abstract

Noise figure measurements, based on a standard temperature of 290 K , have come in for considerable discussion recently in light of advances made in low-noise receivers. Old definitions seem inadequate. Miscalculation occurring in noise measurements carry over to estimates of radar range improvements possible with new, low-noise technique. Author Larry Smith shows how large miscalculations can be avoided by using a different form


 of the radar range equation.

Breakdown of the approximate form of the radar range equation is shown by this plot.

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MICROWAVE radars are now being designed and built with systems-noise figures considerably less than 8 db . This is the point at which
the almost universally used approximate range equation begins to break down. Large errors can result in systems calculations for low-noise receivers if the approximate form of the radar range equation is used.
In making a comparison between alternate methods of solving a system problem, use of the approximate form could lead to the wrong alternative. The conclusion could be reached that the (continued on p. 184)
apparently small improvement due to a sophisticated low-noise receiver is not worth the resultant cost and complexity. According to the approximate equation, a $1-\mathrm{db}$ improvement in noise figure always give $1 / 4-\mathrm{db}$ improvement in range; exact calculations may show improvement of many times this figure.
The approximate radar range equation is expressed as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
R=\sqrt[4]{\frac{P_{t} G^{2} \lambda^{2} A}{(4 \pi)_{3} k T B F V}} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where
$P_{t}=$ Transmitter power
$G=$ Antenna gain
$\lambda=$ Wavelength
$A=$ Target area
$k=$ Boltzman's constant
$T=290 \mathrm{~K}$
$B=$ Over-all receiver bandwidth
$F=$ System noise figure
$V=$ Visibility factor

The widely used form of the range equation can be intuitively judged for low-noise figures merely by examining the limiting condition of a noiseless receiver and a noise-free atmosphere. Under these conditions, the system noise figure, $F$, would be 1 and the range according to the equation would be finite. Intuitively one feels that the range under such conditions should approach the infinite.

## Tracing Approximate Equation's Origin Spotlights the Source of Error

The radar range equation is obtained by determining the minimum discernible signal (MDS) power for the system under receiving conditions and equating it to the transmitter power reflected by a target. It is in the expression for the MDS signal that the misleading approximation is to be found. If this is corrected, the radar range equation can still be used for comparing the relative merits of different systems.
Notice that the noise figure referred to is the system noise figure. It must contain the effects of the receiver self-noise, losses between the antenna and receiver and the noise due to atmospheric sources. Thus the system noise figure is the effective noise figure measured at the antenna, and system as used here includes the atmosphere.

In fact, if atmospheric absorption is appreciable and the noise figure of the receiver alone is low enough, the system noise figure should be referred to the range at which the target is located. The effective system noise figure will actually change with the location of the target. Such refinements, however, will not be directly considered here.

At the antenna input, the signal reflected from a target must compete with the effective noise power described by the system noise figure. The MDS power or $P_{\text {min }}$ as it is sometimes referred to is usually taken to be equal to the noise power described by the equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
P_{\min }=k T_{e} B^{\prime} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where
$k=$ Boltzman's constant
$T_{e}=$ the effective noise temperature referred to the antenna, and includes the effect of atmospheric noise
$B=$ the over-all receiver bandwidth
Both $k$ and $B$ are self-evident. $T$ is easily obtained from the system noise figure by means of the IRE standard definition of noise figure.

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\begin{gather*}
F=\frac{T+T_{e}}{T} \\
T_{e}=(F-1) T \tag{3}
\end{gather*}
$$

or
where

$$
T=290 \mathrm{~K}
$$

## Using a More Exact Equation Removes the Error

From the above equations, the approximation of the most used form of the radar range equation can be seen. The equation $T_{s}=(F-1) T$ has been approximated by $T_{\theta}=F T$. Little error results as long as $F$ is large enough. However, as $F$ becomes ever smaller due to low-noise receiver techniques, the approximation breaks down. The more exact form of the radar range equation is then given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
R=\sqrt[4]{\frac{P_{1} G^{2} \lambda^{2} A}{(4 \pi)^{3} k t B(F-1) V}} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
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The figure shows the range error resulting from use of the approximate equation. This error is avoided using Eq. (4) for low-noise cases. - -
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## High Voltage Pentode

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The Type 7234 pentode, designed for operation at plate voltages of 10 kv , is described in this four-page data sheet, Form 2156-9. Electrical and mechanical specifications and ratings, typical application ratings and circuits, and curves of transfer, screen and plate characteristics are included. Victoreen Instrument Co., 5806 Hough Ave., Cleveland 3, Ohio.

## Potentiometers, Generators

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In 10 pages this catalog describes the V'ernistat Series of precision ac potentiometers, adjustable function generators, and related special components. Theory of design, operation and application are discussed, and electrical and mechanical specifications of the units are included. Perkin-Elmer Corp., Norwalk, Conn.

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## Miniature Limit Switches

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Data Sheet No. 171, two pages, covers the Series 400 EN miniature, sealed, limit switches. Physical, electrical and dimensional data are given, and pricing information is included. The devices have a diameter of $11 / 16 \mathrm{in}$., and have missile and aircraft applications. Micro Switch, Freeport, Ill.

## Liquid Silicone Rubber

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This 12-page booklet outlines applications of room temperature vulcanizing (RTV) liquid silicon rubber. Uses as a sealing, coating, impregnating and bonding compound in electrical and electronic assemblies, as a flexible mold, and as a sealant is missiles and aircraft are described and illustrated. General Electric Co., Silicone Products Div., Waterford, N. Y.

## Epoxy Molding Compounds 284

This chart for compression and transfer molders compares the mechanical, electrical and thermal properties of general-purpose thermosetting materials. The relative abilities of different epoxy molding compounds in flexural and impact strength, heat distortion and dielectric strength tests are described. Fiberite Corp., Winona, Minn.

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## Silicon Controlled Rectifier Manual

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## Silicones

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Applications of silicones in various physical forms for coating, impregnating and molding of electrical and electronic parts and systems is covered in this $1 \geqslant$ page engineering guide. Tabulated data is supplied for the firm's line of silicones. Processing information and engineering data are given for each particular application. Dow Corning Corp., Midland, Mich.

## Industrial Box Kilns

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These bulletins give the range and specifications of box kilns in graphic and tabular form. No. LB-160 bulletin describes 10 units with 5.8 to 16.7 cu ft capacities for operation to $2,750 \mathrm{~F}$. The other bulletin, No. SB-160, describes eight smaller kilns offering from 0.75 to 3.3 cu ft with the same temperature range. Heating and cooling curves, dimensions, weight and capacities are included. Harper Electric Furnace Corp., 110 Pearl St., Buffalo 2, N. Y.

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## Multiplex Carrier

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The firm's series TCS-600 transistorized multiplex carrier equipment is described in four-page bulletin No. ECM122. The equipment transmits from 1 to 600 full duplex toll-quality voice channels over a single radio beam. General Electric Communication Products Dept., P.O. Box 4197, Lynchburg, Va.

## Plastics

This 15-page brochure, No. AD-171, catalogs a line of Teflon, nylon, CTFE, and other thermoplastics made in sheet,
rod, tubing and related forms. Sizes and physical properties are tabulated. Both mechanical and electrical characteristics of the different plastics are compared on a two-page chart. The firm's facilities for molding, extruding and research are described. Garlock, Inc., 447 Main St., Palınyra, N.Y.

## Fiberglas Components

292
Designated the "Specification Handbook," this booklet gives technical limits, terminology, production characteristics and specification outlines for tubular laminated Fiberglas components. Pacific Laminates Inc., R and D Div., 1919 Placentia Ave., Costa Mesa, Calif.

## Data Translator

293
This two-page data sheet describes the operation of the firm's model ZA2696.5 paper-to-magnetic tape data translator. The output format of the instrument is suitable for the IBM 704/705 data-processing machine. Electronic Engineering Co., 1601 E. Chestnut Ave., Santa Ana, Calif.


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ICE CREAM, not beans, from Boston steps into the limelight, at least from an electronic point of view. A dairy in that New England city reports a production increase of 70 per cent (with no increase in plant space) since the installation of electronic computers and rate-of-flow meters. Faster output starts with an analog computer that recalculates on a daily basis the mix formula, a task made necessary by the unpredictable daily fluctuation in butterfat content. Each new formula is translated into digital form (it takes only 50 milliseconds!) and recorded on a punch card. This card then goes to the programming control panel where it master-minds the electronic equipment that handles the flow of raw materials from storage to blending tanks. The punch cards also can be used for inventory and accounting purposes. DOWN BUT NOT OUT. That's the latest on the Navy's radar-seeking missile projects. Though the Corvus program has been cancelled, work is still being done on the Cobra, another air-launched missile. Both the Air Force and Navy continue with anti-radar missile studies, and Corvus birds are available for possible research and development work.
ELECTRONIC DRIP-DRY? The strategists in charge of making optimum use of the Minuteman ICBM are asking electronic engineers to help with a number of tough problems. One of the most pressing arises from the fact that the missile men would like to locate these missiles at fixed offshore sites, under 100 to 150 feet of water. The problem comes from the fact that, though these sites would be hard to destroy, there's a good chance that ocean currents might throw the Minuteman off course. So what's wanted is an electronic way to correct for the currents, rather than the compressed air system used by the Navy with its Polaris. Other needs include a remote control check system, a guidance system that will hold up in storage for at least three years, and systems that won't go out of kilter if the missile gets shaken up when transported over rough terrain. Answers, anyone?
TWICE THE SIZE of the radio telescope at Jodrell Bank, England, is the one now being completed near Danville, Illinois. Measuring 600 feet long, by 400 feet wide, by $621 / 2$ feet deep, the scope will be the world's largest. Its reflector was scooped out of the earth by grading the surface of a small valley into the shape of a parabolic cylinder. So that it will retain its shape, the "dish" is covered with prefab asphalt and topped with mesh for reflectivity. The British scope at Jodrell Bank set a record for communication when it kept contact with America's Pioneer $V$ for the first $22,500,000$ miles of its trip around the sun. The U.S. has another big radio telescope under construction at Sugar Grove, Va. First project for the Illinois facility will be a 611 -mc map of the sky. CABLEMAN'S CORNER. The old adage "Don't put the cart before the horse" was never so true as it is in these days of automation and instrumentation. With all the intricate pieces of equipment being designed these days, it is important that careful consideration be given to the wire and cable that may be employed in any system. Often forgotten is the unromantic aspect of the connecting links of the system. Cables are the arteries through which must flow the power and informational pulses necessary for reliable performance.

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## NEW LITERATURE

Glass Fiber Cushioning

Applications of glass fiber in package cushioning, vibration isolation and molded pads are discussed in this fourpage bulletin. Physical properties of the material are described and graphed. Material meets Mil specs. Fibrous Glass Products, Inc., Alpa Plaza, Hicksville, L.I., N.Y.

## Subminiafure Switches

295
"Thinking Small" is a 16-page booklet describing the development of subminiature switches from the design to the application stage. Operating principles of snap action switches, various testing procedures, variations in characteristics and actuators are described and illustrated. Micro Switch, Freeport, Ill.

## Powdered Magnetic Cores

296
This 12-page bulletin, No. G1, on powdered Permalloy Filtoroid cores gives extensive information on core loss, $Q$
calculation data, and inductance vari:tion with temperature and dc curren:. Tables and curves giving physical and electrical characteristics are included. Magnetic Metals Co., Hayes Ave. at 21 st St., Camden, N.J.

## Immersible Transducers

297
Data sheet No. 3 gives descriptions and specifications of the series T-400 and T-500 immersible transducers. These units can be used to add ultrasonic cleaning stages to existing cleaning tanks or vapor degreasers. National Ultrasonic Corp., 111 Montgomery Ave., Irving. ton, N.J.

## Test Equipment, Panel Meters 298

The firm's line of electronic test equipment and panel meters for industrial maintenance and communications are cataloged in this 10 -page booklet, No. 28 / Industrial. Multimeters, vtvm's, tube and transistor testers, oscilloscopes, sig-


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nai generators, decade boxes, and panel meters are included. General descriptions, specifications, dimensions and illustrations are provided. Precision Apparatus Co., Inc., 70-31 84th St., Glendale 27, L.I., N.Y.

## Frequency Counters

299
A line of frequency counters and associated equipment including converters, plug-in units, Nixie readouts, digital printers, and data-recording systems, is covered in this four-page Catalog, No. 605. Ratings and illustrations of the instruments are provided. Northeastern Engineering, Inc., Manchester, N.H.

## Timing Devices and Controls 300

This six-page bulletin, No. 5907, describes typical electronic timing devices and controls produced by the firm. Suggested applications are given. Operation is briefly described and diagrammed. Services offered by the firm are also outlined. Tempo Instruments Inc., P.O. Box 338, Hicksville, N.Y.

## Format Control Buffer

301
This four-page data sheet on the firm's model ZA-751 format control buffer describes the operation of the unit in producing digital magnetic tapes for inputs to IBM 650, 704, 705, and 709 data-processing machines. Technical specifications of the buffer are included. Electronic Engineering Co., 1601 E. Chestnut Ave., Santa Ana, Calif.

## Pure Gold

302
Gold, $99.999 \%$ pure, is described on the single-page data sheet, Bulletin No. HP101. Applications in semiconductor fields are described. Physical constants are tabulated. High Purity Metals, Inc., 340 Hudson St., Hackensack, N.J.

## Die-Cast, Nylon Fasteners

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Die-cast zinc-alloy wing and cap nuts, and molded nylon nuts and screws are described in this two-page data sheet. Illustrations and tabulated specifications are included. Gries Reproducer Corp., 400 Beechwood Ave., New Rochelle, N.Y.


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## NEW LITERATURE

## Gas Density Switches

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Three two-page technical data sheets describe the firm's series RS-16 and RR-58 absolute pressure switches and series RM-76 gas density switch. Typical applications, dimensional drawings, and specifications are included. The units are used primarily as control or warning devices. Newark Controls Co., 15 Ward St., Bloomfield, N.J.

## Magnetron Power Supplies

The design of power supplies for volt-age-tunable magnetrons is discussed in this 12-page brochure. Functions of various controls and the power requirements of each are considered. Characteristics of a line of vtm's are tabulated and graphed. General Electric Co., Power Tube Dept., Schnectady 5, N.Y.

## Accelerometers

306
This bulletin, No. T-101, describes the firm's line of miniature, subminiature
and heavy-duty accelerometers for lub oratory and in-fight shock and vibration study. Data on sensitivity, frequency response, resonant frequency, and orerating ranges is included. Physical dim. ensions and prices are also given. Co. lumbia Research Laboratories, MacDade Blvd. and Bullens Lane, Woodlyn, Pa.

## Germanium Diodes

307
This two-page chart tabulates charac. teristics of a line of germanium diodes. Over 50 general and special purpose types are included. Nucleonic Products Co., Inc., 1601 Grande Vista Ave., Los Angeles 23, Calif.

## Painting Machine

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## Microwave Equipment

310
This catalog gives specifications of over 600 microwave tubes and components. Components include TR and ATR tubes, shutters, reference cavities, crystal protectors, diodes, magnetrons, klystrons, duplexers, noise source tubes, and triode oscillators. Bomac Laboratories, Inc., Salem Road, Beverly, Mass.

Resistance Alloy
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Bulletin No. 110, eight-pages, describes Chromel-AA 80-20 nickel-chromium resistance alloy, developed for use as a heating element in controlled-atmos-
phere furnaces. A table of physical properties, typical-life and temperatureresistance curves, and resistance test data are given. Tables listing resistivity and density values, and furnace conversion data are included. Hoskins Manufacturing Co., 4445 Lawton Ave., Detroit 8, Mich.

## Regulafed Power Modules

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Bulletin No. 500 describes a series of regulated power modules which meet Mil specs. Output is rated from 145 to 325 v dc at current levels from 50 to 400 ma . Specification data for 36 standard catalog models are included. ACDC Electronics, Inc., 2979 N. Ontario St., Burbank, Calif.

## Toggle Switches

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The firm's series 0111 toggle switches are described in this one-page bulletin. Electrical ratings, circuitry, dimensional diagrams, and operating characteristics are given. McGill Manufacturing Co., Inc., Electrical Div., Valparaiso, Ind.


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## Phase Meters

315
A line of plase meters and delay lines are covered on 25 data sheets bound into this catalog. General descriptions. tabulated specifications, and suggested applications of the instruments are included. A transfer function analyzer, a capacitor tester, and a miniature bat-tery-operated preamplifier are included among the instruments. Ad-Yu Electronics Lab., Inc., 249 Terhune Ave., Passaic, N.J.

## Analog Computer

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This 15 -page booklet entitled "Mathematical Applications of the Dynamic Storage Analog Computer" describes application of Dystac computers in mathematical problems. Included are discussions of dynamic memory, sequential calculations, the definite integral, multiple integration, and continuous memory. Circuit diagrams accompany the text. Computer Systems, Inc., Culver Road, Monmouth Junction. N.J.

## Vacuum Impregnation

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The process of vacuum impregnation is described in this 16 -page brochure, No. 652. Applications improving the dielectric efficiency of electronic components are described. A line of impreg. nating systems is cataloged with tabulated specifications and illustrations of the equipment. F. J. Stokes Corp, 5500 Tabor Road, Philadelphia 20, Pa.


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## Multi-Track Voice Monitor

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## Circuit Breakers

Bulletin No. AM 513, four pages, tabulates and illustrates standard current ratings, release coil impedances, typical time-delay curves, and mounting and outline dimensions of a line of circuit breakers. A glossary of terms is included. Airpax Electronics Inc., Cambridge Div., Cambridge, Md.

## Dynamic Digital Logic

320
The proceedings of the first users' conference on dynamic digital logic appear in this 72 -page booklet. Papers
cover applications of digital techniques in a meteor-burst communication system, a T-Pac wiring program and logic simulation techniques for the IBM 709 computer, a BIDEC converter, and six other applications of dynamic logic. The uses of serial techniques in an incremental computer and digital systems are also covered. Computer Control Co., Inc., 983 Concord St., Framingham, Mass.

## Heat Exchanger

321
This brochure describes the firm's Rotary-X-Changer air-to-air heat exchanger designed to recover heat from contaminated exhaust air or to cool fresh air coming into refrigerated spaces. Heat Recovery Corp., 671 Mt. Prospect Ave., Newark 4, N.J.

## Fluorocarbon Resins

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Properties and applications of Teflon TFE and Teflon 100 FEP fluorocarbon resins are given in this four-page bulletin. Industrial Plastics and Equipment Co., Inc., 477-24 Main St., Orange, N.J.


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## Variable Delay Lines

324
Six miniature variable delay lines, with total delays ranging from 0.5 to $10 \mu \mathrm{sec}$, are covered in this one-page illustrated bulletin, No. DL 560. Application information and specifications are given. Valor Instruments, Inc., 13214 Crenshaw Blvd., Gardena, Calif.

## UHF Power Oscillator

325
The firm's model 1141 uhf wideband power oscillator is described in this bulletin. Specifications, performance data and application notes are included. IV. L. Maxson Corp., Instruments Div., 475 10th Ave., New York 18, N.Y.

## Adhesives Properties Chart

326
This four-page adhesives-properties foldout chart gives applications, cure times, and physical properties of over 20 types of epoxy adhesives. The reverse side gives test methods, application sug. gestions, and availability. Furane Plastics, Inc., 4516 Brazil St., Los Angeles 39, Calif.

## Soldering Iron

327
This two-page data sheet describes the Ersa-Minitype soldering iron. Included are illustrations, a graph, and a chart. Caig Laboratories, 46 Stanwood Road, New Hyde Park, L.I., N.Y.

## Low-Impedance Bus Duct

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## Strain Indicator <br> 329

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## Interchangeable Tubes

330
This eight-page handbook lists 900 interchangeable industrial tubes. Included are power supply, radiation counter, transmitting, microwave, amplifier, photosensitive, storage, ignitron, industrial cathode ray, and other special purpose tubes. Raytheon Co., Distributor Products Div., Waltham 54, Mass.

## Planar Diodes

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Eight-page, two-color Brochure No. SL-201/1 describes more than 200 Planar diodes. Included are electrical specifications, performance graphs, and outline drawings. Fairchild Semiconductor Corp., 4300 Redwood Highway, San Rafael, Calif.

## Balancing Machines

This eight-page bulletin, "Tinius Talks," Vol. 12, No. 1, describes the firm's Olsen-Rava line of electro-dynamic balancing machines. Applications of the machines are included. Tinius Olsen Testing Machine Co., 428 Easton Road, Willow Grove, Pa.

## Surge Test Adapter

333
This two-page data sheet No. 107, describes a 75 -amp-surge test adapter. Included is an illustration and electrical specifications. Wallson Associates, Inc., 912-914 Westfield Ave., Elizabeth, N.J.

## Trimmer Potentiometers

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Four-page Brochure No. 5 describes the firm's Trimpot and Trimit leadscrewactuated potentiometers. Information summarized on 16 standard models includes resistance, terminal types, power ratings, operating temperatures, and dimensions. Cut-away drawings and prices are included. Bourns, Inc., 6135 Magnolia Ave., Riverside, Calif.


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## Laminated Plastics

336
Two copper-clad, flame-restardant laminated plastics called Fireban 321-R and Fireban 321-E are described in Technical Data Bulletin No. 3.1.25.1. Properties listed in this two-page data sheet include thickness of copper foil, bond strength, dissipation factor, insulation resistance, surface resistivity and heat resistance. Taylor Fibre Co., Norristown, Pa.

## Varistor, Thermistor Catalog

337
Specifications and technical data on the firm's line of bead, rod, disk and washer thermistors, and disk and washer varistors are given in this eight-page technical catalog. Technical descriptions of related special items and a discussion of associated theory and terminology are included. Victory Engineering Corp., 519 Springfield Road, Union, N. J.

## Diode Testing System

338
"New Diode Evaluation System" is a four-page catalog on the firm's diode testing system. The catalog describes the Model DE-48 module and the Type TM-1 visual diode evaluation monitor. Technical data on testing units are included. Flite-Tronics, Inc., 3312 Burton Ave., Burbank, Calif.

## Transistorized Power Supplies

339
The company's series ST power supplies are described in this four-page bulletin. Specifications, mounting dimensions, special features and prices are given for 19 off-the-shelf units. MidEastern Electronics, Inc., 32 Commerce St., Springfield, N.J.

## Teflon Enameled Wire

340
Magnet wire and thin-wall instrument wire, Teflon insulated. is described in this 8-page, illustrated catalog. Physical, thermal and electrical properties are tabulated. Mechtron Div., Tensolite Insulated Wire Co., Inc., 1000 N. Division St., Peekskill, N.Y.

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Four-page bulletin No. EL-5 describes subminiature electrolytic capacitors designed for high-quality transistor equipment or similar applications. The bulletin contains test specifications and operating characteristics, a table of capacitor dimensions, graphs of typical performance characteristics, and a dimensional diagram of capacitor construction. Pyramid Electric Co., Darlington, S.C.

## Transformers

342
Stancor catalog S-105 carries detailed listings of over 700 units for radio, television, industrial and communications applications. Chicago catalog CT9-59 lists nearly 500 units for military, 400 -cycle high-fidelity, communications, industrial control and power circuit applications. Both include specifications for about fifty units for transistor applications. Chicago-Standard, 1 N. LaSalle, Chicago 2, Ill.

## Relay Magnetic Amplifiers

343
This six-page Bulletin, No. 70, contains detailed information on four of the firm's relay magnetic amplifiers. Theory of operation and application, typical methods of application and operating characteristics are described. Specifications include electrical, environmental and mechanical characteristics and curves of output voltage vs input current. Acromag, Inc., 22519 Telegraph Road, Southfield, Mich.

## Polycarbonate Resins

## 344

Two technical information bulletins describe production methods for processing Merlon polycarbonate resins. Bulletin No. 44-M2 describes the procedure for producing plastic parts by injection molding; bulletin No. 47-M3 covers the extrusion process. The publications supplement an earlier bulletin, No. 41-M1, which provides a general description of the thermoplastic. Mobay Products Co., Penn-Lincoln Parkway West, Pittsburgh 5, Pa.

## Electro-Mechanical Control Systems 345

Electro-mechanical control systems and components for use on a wide variety of production machinery are described in a six-page catalog. No. EE-1008. Information on point-to-point control systems, speed control systems and fractional and integral horsepower servo systems is included. Applications of control systems are suggested with illustrations and graphs. Seneca Falls Machine Co., Electronics Div., 12 Fyfe Bldg., Seneca Falls, N.Y.


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## Time Delays

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## Instrument Cases

347
"Standard Cases for Custom Equipment" is a 12-page booklet that covers features, sizes, colors, and standard hardware that may be obtained when ordering these pre-designed cases. Photos of the various units, a dimensional diagram, and a postage-paid ordering card are included. TA Manufacturing Corp., 4607 Alger St., Los Angeles 39, Calif.

## Thermistors

348
What thermistors are, what they do, and how they are used are covered in 24-page brochure EMC-3. This brochure also tells how to solve thermistor problems, lists the firm's line of thermistors, and includes resistance-temperature tables. Fenwal Electronics, Inc., 51 Mellen St., Framingham, Mass.

## Trimmer Pofenfiometer

349
Series $140,1 / 4$-w carbon trimmer potentiometer is described in this one-page data sheet. Dimensional drawings, electrical and mechanical specifications and MIL test data summary tabulations are included. CTS Corporation, Elkhart, Ind.

## Voliage Digitizers

350
The two-page bulletin, "What Adage Voldicons Are Doing," suggests applications of the firm's line of voltage digitizers. Intended functions of the instruments are listed, and examples of actual applications are described. Adage Inc., 292 Main St., Cambridge 42, Mass.

## Servo Gearhead and Speed Reducer 740

The firm's line of 400 -cycle servomotor gearheads and speed reducers, Series 11, are described on this two-page data sheet. Electrical and mechanical specifications, dimensional drawings, performance curves and general descriptions are included. Guidance Controls Corp., 110 Duffy Ave., Hicksville, N.Y.


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## Digital Control System

A punched-card programed digital control system is described in this two-page bulletin, No $350-2$. A general description, including operation and application, of the system and its compo nents is included. Datex Corp., 1307 S. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia, Calif.

## Plastic Tubing

742
Engineering data, including dielectric strength, temperature rating and flammability, in tabular form, are available on the Alphlex line of tubing in this eight-page catalog. Included are descriptions of insulating tubing, sleeving, and zipper tubing. Alpha Wire Corp., 200 Varick St., New York 14, N.Y.

## Blowers

743
A description of panel mounting blowers with their specifications appears in this catalog. Among the blowers included are the universal blower, base recessed blowers, and intake and exhaust fans, which are specifically designed for cooling electronic equipment enclosures. Blower accessories that simplify many cooling problems are also covered. Amco Engineering Co., 7333 W. Ainslie St., Chicago, Ill.

## Choppers And Transformers

744
The model C-1800 chopper and the associated series A-1500 input-ouput transformers are described and illustrated in this data sheet. Characteristics of the choppers are tabularly compared with those of transistors and magnetic amplifiers. Specifications of all units are given. James Electronics, Inc., 4050 N. Rockwell St., Chicago 18, Ill.

## Variable Capacitors

745
The firm's line of variable capacitors is listed in this 15-page catalog, No. 60. Complete electrical and mechanical specifications are provided for each type listed, including tuning and trimming models. Hammarlund Manufacturing Co., Inc., 430 W. 34th St., New York 1, N.Y

## Power Supplies

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When the input is negative, transistor $T_{1}$ con ducts and pulls the base of $T_{2}$ up to 0.1 v . Transistor $T_{2}$ is cut off. Diode $D_{1}$ conducts and pulls the output up to near ground. The output impedance in this state is the impedance of the saturated transistor $T_{1}$ and the forward biased diode $D_{1}$.

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Fig. 1. Driver circuit provides low impedance match to characteristic impedance of coaxial cable.


Fig. 2. Inverted output waveshape (b) is slightly de loyed but still fast and sharp.

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Patent No. 2,938,140, F. W. Cook. (Assigned to A.T. \& E, Ltd.)

An rf pulse may be examined in detail by simultaneously displaying the pulse on two or more cathode ray tubes. The time bases of the tubes are synchronized by appropriately delayed impulses.

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## High Frequency Oscillators

Patent No. 2,943,235. R. Dunsmuir. (As signed to British Thompson-Houston Co. Ltd.)
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Pulent No. 2,941,154, S. C. Kogers. (Assicned to Bell Telephone Labs)

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Broad-Band Low Capacity Microwave Balanced Mixer
Putent No. 2,943,192. F. T. Liss. (Assigned to United States.)

Two microwave signals are connected by passing them individually through separate waveguides and crystal diodes. The diode outputs are connected at the mixer output point.

Pulse Distribution Indicator
Patent No. 2,943,149. E. A. Irland and A. E. Ruppel. (Assigned to Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc.)

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## Designing Electronic Relays

N CALCULATING the parameters of electronic relays, such as shown in Fig. 1, it is usually assumed that the resistance of the plate load $R_{a}$ is considerably less than the resistance of the coupling divider $\boldsymbol{R}_{a g}+\boldsymbol{R}_{g}$. This assumption simplifies the computation, since a change in $\boldsymbol{R}_{a g}+\boldsymbol{R}_{g}$, for a chosen $\boldsymbol{R}_{a}$, does not greatly influence the operating conditions of the relay. In high-speed relays, however, it is necessary to make the coupling divider resistance small, since they help determine the slope of the pulse front. When the plate load and divider resistances are of the same order of magnitude, the latter also influence the relay operating conditions and the input pulse amplitude. The problem then becomes much more complicated and calls for obtaining approximate solutions of systems of higher-order equations.
We present here a relatively simple method for calculating the relay parameters for the case of approximately equal resistances in the plate and grid networks.

## Plate Resistance Determines Relay Speed

For given values of network capacitances, the transient characteristic determining the speed of the relay depends on the equivalent resistances


Fig. 1. Schematic of an electronic relay with voltage divider resistances $R_{a g}$ and $R_{g}$.
of the plate circuit $\boldsymbol{R}_{a s}=\boldsymbol{R}_{a} \boldsymbol{R}_{i 0} /\left(\boldsymbol{R}_{a}+\boldsymbol{R}_{i 0}\right)$ and of the grid circuit $R_{g s}=R_{a g} R_{g} /\left(\boldsymbol{R}_{a g}+\boldsymbol{R}_{g}\right)$, where $R_{i 0}$ is the de resistance of the tube.

The quantities $\boldsymbol{R}_{a s}$ and $\boldsymbol{R}_{g s}$ depend on the re quired rise time of the output network

$$
\tau_{f}=\frac{R_{a} R_{i 0}}{R_{a}+R_{i 0}} C^{\prime}
$$

and on the time between two control pulses

$$
T=2.3 C^{\prime \prime} \frac{R_{a 0} R_{\theta}}{R_{a \theta}+R_{\theta}}
$$

In these equations, $C^{\prime}$ consists of the output capacitance of the tube, the wiring capacitance and the capacitance of the load connected to the output circuit of the relay. $C^{\prime \prime}$ consists of the input capacitance of the tube, the wiring capacitance, the capacitance of the source of contro pulses connected to the input of the relay, and the coupling capacitance connected in parallel with $R_{a y}$.
For a specified value of the voltage drop acros the plate load, $U_{a}$, and for a known source voltage $E_{1}$ and tube type, we determine the network parameters $\boldsymbol{R}_{a}, \boldsymbol{R}_{a g}, \boldsymbol{R}_{g}$ and $\boldsymbol{E}_{2}$ when $\boldsymbol{R}_{a} \approx \boldsymbol{R}_{v}$ $+R_{g}$.
Fig. 2a shows the equivalent circuit for the cut-off tube, while Fig. 2b shows the circuit when the tube conducts in one arm of the relay The following symbols are used in the equivalent circuits: $I$ and $U_{g}{ }^{(+)}$are the current flowing


Fig. 2. (a) Equivalent circuit when one tube is cut of (b) Equivalent circuit when one tube is con ducting.


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throngh the coupling divider and the voltage across the divider output with the tube cut-off; $I_{a 0}$ is the current flowing through the tube with zero potential on the grid; $I_{1}$ and $U_{g}{ }^{(-)}$are the current flowing through the coupling divider and the voltage at the divider output with the tube conducting.
The resistance of the plate load is determined from Eq. 1

$$
R_{n}=\frac{\tau_{j} R_{i 0}}{R_{i 0} C^{\prime}-\tau_{j}}
$$

The voltage at the coupling divider output is, with the tube cut-off

$$
C_{\theta}^{(+)}=I R_{\theta}-E_{2}=\frac{R_{g}\left(E_{1}+E_{2}\right)}{R_{a}+R_{a g}+R_{\imath}}-E_{2} ; \quad(t)
$$

and with the tube conducting
$U_{a}^{(-)}=E_{2}-I_{1} R_{g}=E_{2}^{\prime}$

$$
-\frac{E_{1} R_{i 0}+E_{2}\left(R_{a}+R_{i 0}\right)}{\left(R_{a g}+R_{v}\right)\left(R_{n}+R_{i 0}\right)+R_{a} R_{i \prime}} R_{g}
$$

From the operating principle of the relay it follows that for stable operation, the voltage $\left|U_{g}{ }^{(+)}\right|$at the output of the divider with the tube cut-off should be greater than or equal to zero; and the voltage $\left|U_{g}^{(-)}\right|$with the tube conducting should be greater than $U_{c}{ }_{c}$, where $U_{c}$ is the tube cut-off voltage.

For $U_{g}{ }^{(+)}$to be equal to zero, the voltage drop across $R_{g}$ must be numerically equal to the voltage of the source $E_{2}$, that is

$$
\frac{R_{\theta}\left(E_{1}+E_{2}\right)}{R_{n}+R_{n g}+R_{v}}=E_{2}
$$

Consequently

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{n}_{0}=\frac{E_{2}\left(R_{a}+R_{a \theta}+R_{\theta}\right)}{E_{1}+E_{2}} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

For $U_{g}^{(-)}$to be equal to $U_{c}$, the voltage drop across $R_{g}$ should be less than the source voltage $E_{2}$ by an amount equal to $U_{c}$.

Substituting in Eq. 5, $U_{c}$ instead of $U_{g}^{(-)}$, inserting $R_{g}$ from Eq. 7, and making some transformations, we obtain
$R_{a g}+R_{g}=\frac{U_{c} R_{a} R_{i 0}\left(E_{1}+E_{2}\right)+E_{2}{ }^{2} R_{a}{ }^{2}}{E_{1} E_{2} R_{a}-U_{c}\left(E_{1}+E_{2}\right)\left(R_{a}+R_{i 0}\right)}$. .
We shall find it convenient later to determine the limiting value of $E_{2}$, below which the resistance of the coupling divider $\boldsymbol{R}_{n g}+\boldsymbol{R}_{g}$ grows to infinity. From Eq. 8 it follows that this occurs when the source voltage $E_{2}$ is

$$
\begin{equation*}
E_{2}=\frac{U_{c} E_{1}\left(R_{a}+R_{i 0}\right)}{E_{1} R_{a}-U_{c}\left(R_{a}+R_{i n}\right)} \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

The voltage drop $U_{a}$ across the plate load is given by the difference between the voltage drop $\left(I_{a n}+I_{a 1}\right) R_{a}$ with the tube conducting, and the

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voltage $I R_{u}$ with the tube cut-off

$$
U_{a}=\left(I_{a 0}+I_{1}-I\right) R_{a}
$$

or
$U_{a}=\left(\frac{E_{1}-I_{1} R_{a}}{R_{a}+R_{i 0}}+\frac{E_{1} R_{i 0}+E_{2}\left(R_{a}+R_{i 0}\right)}{\left(R_{a 0}+R_{0}\right)\left(R_{a}+R_{i 0}\right)+R_{a} R_{i 0}}\right.$

$$
\left.-\frac{E_{1}+E_{2}}{R_{a}+R_{a o}+R_{o}}\right) R_{a} .
$$

After transformations, we obtain

$$
U_{a}=\frac{E_{1} R_{a}\left(R_{a \theta}+R_{o}\right)^{2}-E_{2} R_{a}{ }^{2}\left(R_{a o}+R_{o}\right)}{\left(R_{a}+R_{i 0}\right)\left(R_{a \theta}+R_{o}\right)^{2}+R_{n}\left(R_{a}+2 R_{i 0}\right)} ;
$$

$$
\left(R_{o o}+R_{o}\right)+R_{a}{ }^{2} R_{i 0}
$$

Hence
$R_{u u}+R_{u}=\frac{B+\sqrt{B^{2}+4 U_{a} R_{a} R_{i o} A}}{2 A}$
where

$$
A=E_{1}-U_{a} \frac{R_{a}+F_{i 0}}{R_{a}}
$$

and

$$
B=E_{2} R_{a}+U_{a}\left(R_{a}+2 R_{i 0}\right)
$$

It follows from Eq. 11 that the resistance $\boldsymbol{R}_{a g}$ $+R_{g}$ will tend to infinity when the source voltage $E_{1}$ is

$$
\begin{equation*}
E_{1}=\frac{U_{a}\left(R_{a}+R_{i 0}\right)}{R_{a}} \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

Eqs. 8 and 11 make it possible to determine the source $E_{2}$ and the divider resistance $\boldsymbol{R}_{a \rho}+\boldsymbol{R}_{g}$ that yield the required values of $U_{g}{ }^{(-)}$and $U_{a}$.

## Divider Resistance Solved for Graphically

Because it is difficult to solve Eqs. 8 and 11 algebraically, it is advisable to use graphic solutions. When Eqs. 9 and 11 are plotted with $R_{a g}$ $+R_{g}$ and $E_{2}$ as coordinates, the intersection of the curves, that is, their simultaneous solution, yields the values of $R_{a g}+R_{g}$ and the source voltage $E_{2}$. Then, using Eqs. 7 and 2, it is possible to determine $\boldsymbol{R}_{g}$ and $\boldsymbol{R}_{a g}$ separately. $\boldsymbol{R}_{g s}$ is determined next. If it is found that its value exceeds the one specified, other relay elements are chosen and the calculation must be repeated. In particular, a tube with large transconductance and smaller internal resistance must be selected, or, if possible, the voltage $E_{1}$ must be increased.
In calculating the relay parameters it is necessary to take account of the spread in tube parameters, and also of the variation of $E_{1}$ and $E_{2}$ if unstabilized supply sources are used. Let us denote the increase in voltage by $E_{1}^{\prime}$ and $E_{2}^{\prime}$, and a decrease in voltage by $-E_{1}^{\prime \prime}$ and $E^{\prime \prime}{ }_{2}$.

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In the first and second cases, the relay parameters are calculated for reduced supply-source voltages. However, when calculating the relay conditions for the second case, account must be taken of the change in $R_{i 0}$, due to the tube current. As a result of redistribution of the voltages, this current will appear when the source voltages rise.
Fig. 3 shows the equivalent network of one arm of the relay in the presence of grid current in the tube. In this circuit, the voltage between the grid and the cathode of the tube is
$U_{g k}=\frac{r_{g k}\left[E_{1} R_{a}-E_{2}\left(R_{a}+R_{a \theta}\right)\right]}{\left(R+r_{g k}\right)\left(R_{a}+R_{a g}+R_{\theta}\right)+R_{g}\left(R_{a}+R_{a g}\right)}$ (13 where $r_{g k}$ is the resistance of the grid-cathode circuit and $R$ is the resistance connected to match the relay input with the output of the con-trol-pulse source, ( $R \ll R_{g}$ ).

In the third case, the relay will be stable in operation if $U_{g}^{(+)}=0$ and the specified value of $U_{a}$ is obtained at the maximum voltages $E_{1}$ and $E_{2}$, while $U_{g}^{(-)}=U_{0}$ is obtained at minimum source voltages $E_{1}$ and $E_{2}$. It should be recog. nized that here the resistance $R_{g}$ (Eq. 7) is determined at a maximum $E_{1}$ and $E_{2}$, while $U_{g}{ }^{(-)}$ is determined at the minimum values of these voltages. Consequently, for this case Eq. 8 cannot be used and must be replaced by the following equation


Fig. 3. Equivalent circuit for one relay arm with grid current flow present.

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Here $\boldsymbol{R}_{i 0}$ is determined in the presence of a grid current, which appears for the same reason as before, but at reduced source vo!tages.

## Example

By way of an example, we determine the parameters of a relay using a 6 N 8 tube which has to meet the following specifications:

1) Duration of the transient characteristic front of the output network $\tau f=0.16 \mu \mathrm{sec}$;
2) The relay should operate in the interval between the control pulses at the relay input equal to $T=0.36 \mu \mathrm{sec}$, and
3) The voltage drop across the plate load should be $U_{a}=40 \mathrm{v}$ at a source voltage $E_{1}=200 \mathrm{v}$.
Furthermore, the relay will be designed for fluctuations in $E_{1}$ and $E_{2}$ for the three previously considered cases. Thus, for first case (a) $E_{1}$ and $E_{2}$. both change by $\pm 5$ per cent; in the second case (b) the changes are $\pm 10$ per cent for $E_{1}$ and $\pm 5$ per cent for $E_{22}$; in the third case (c) the changes are $\pm 5$ per cent for $E_{1}$ and $\pm 10$ per cent for $E_{2}$.
Using Eq. 1, we first determine the resistance of the plate load. Capacitance $C^{\prime}$ equals $40 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ and the mean value of $R_{i 0}$ is 8,000 ohms.
Then

$$
R_{a}=\frac{\tau_{j} R_{i 0}}{R_{i 0} C^{\prime}-\tau_{j}}=8 \mathrm{~K}
$$

From Eq. 2, we determine $\boldsymbol{R}_{g 8}$. If we assume $C^{\prime \prime}=35 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$, then

$$
R_{g n}=\frac{T}{2.3 C^{\prime \prime}}=4.35 \mathrm{~K}
$$

Case a. We determine the limiting value of $\boldsymbol{E}_{2}$, using Eq. 9. For values less than this, Eqs. 8 and 11 cannot be solved for. We assume that for the 6 N 8 tube at $E_{1}=200 \mathrm{v}, U_{2}=12 \mathrm{v} \pm 28$ per cent $=15 \mathrm{v}$. From Eq. 9, we obtain $E_{2}=35 \mathrm{v}$.
Specifying values of $E^{\prime \prime}{ }_{2}$ in Eqs. 8 and 11 of 50,60 and 65 v , and $E_{1}^{\prime}=190 \mathrm{v}$, we obtain three points each for the curves (from Eq. 8). That is, $R_{g g}+R_{g}$ equals $21.2,15,13.6 \mathrm{~K}$ and from Eq. 11, $R_{u j}+R_{g}$ equals 14, 14.7 and 15 K .

Plotting these points as in Fig. 4 we obtain

$$
R_{u g}+R_{g}=15 \mathrm{~K} \text { and } E_{2}^{\prime \prime}=60 \mathrm{v}
$$

Using Eq. 7 we find that $R_{g}=5.5 \mathrm{~K}, R_{a \rho}=$ 9.5 K , and $\boldsymbol{R}_{g s}=3.48 \mathrm{~K}$. We see that $\boldsymbol{R}_{y g}$ is less than specified by the conditions of the computation ( 4.35 K ), which means that the relay will operate at a higher speed than expected.
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Fig. 4. Graphical solution for value of $\left(R_{a g}+R_{g}\right)$.
the relay (Eqs. 4, 5, and 10). We obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
& U_{0}^{(+)}=0 \\
& 15<U_{0}^{(-)}<16.6 \mathrm{v} \\
& 41.5<U_{a}<4.3 .3 \mathrm{v}
\end{aligned}
$$

Case b. After analogous calculations, we obtain $R_{n y}+R_{g}=16 \mathrm{~K}, R_{y}=6 \mathrm{~K}$, and $R_{n y}=10$ K , and $R_{y s}=3.75 \mathrm{~K}$. Using Eq. 13 for $R=0.1$ K and $R_{, / K}=1.5 \mathrm{~K}$, we determine the voltage $U_{\partial K}$ produced when the voltages $E_{1}$ and $E_{2}$ have their maximum values. That is:

$$
U_{y K} \approx 15 \mathrm{v}
$$

From the plate-grid characteristics of the 6 N 8 tube we find that $R_{i 1}=6 \mathrm{~K}$. Again verifying the operation of the relay (Eqs. 4, 5, and 10), we obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 0<U_{0^{+}}<1.5 \mathrm{v} \\
& 15<V_{b^{(-)}}<17 \mathrm{v} \\
& 40.2<1_{n}<41.5 \mathrm{v}
\end{aligned}
$$

Case c. Using Eq. 14, we find that $R_{a g}+R_{v}$ $=17 \mathrm{~K}$.
We then obtain

$$
R_{u}=\frac{E_{2}^{\prime}{ }^{\prime}\left(R_{a}+R_{a v}+R_{o}\right)}{E_{1}^{\prime}+E_{2}^{\prime}}=6 \mathrm{~K} \quad \text { (14f) }
$$

This yields $\boldsymbol{R}_{u y}=11 \mathrm{~K}$ and $R_{y s}=3.9 \mathrm{~K}$. A check on the operation of the relay shows that

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 0<C_{v^{(+)}}<0.6 \mathrm{v} \\
& -15<U_{\mathrm{g}}^{(t)}<19.5 \mathrm{y} \\
& 52.6<1_{i}^{\circ}<49 \text { • }
\end{aligned}
$$

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## Twin Tee Filters

THE TWIN Tee, Fig. 1, is a convenient RC filter, particularly for low frequency application where inductances must generally be avoided.

Denoting the frequency where the transmission is zero by $f_{0}$ and assuming that $r_{1}$ and $r_{2}$ are chosen from impedance level criteria given below, one chooses

$$
r_{8}=r_{1} r_{2} /\left(r_{1}+r_{2}\right)
$$

The value of each capacitor is calculated from

$$
C_{n}=1 /\left(2 \pi f_{0} r_{n}\right) ; n=1,2,3
$$

The complex open circuit voltage transfer function is then

$$
\begin{align*}
& V_{2} \frac{1-u^{2}}{V_{1}} \frac{1-u^{2}+j 2 u / a}{1-a}
\end{align*}
$$

where $u=f / f_{0}$ and $a$ is the symmetry factor

$$
\begin{gather*}
a=r_{2} /\left(r_{1}+r_{2}\right) \\
\text { (1) When } a=0.5 \text {, the transmission curve has log. } \tag{4}
\end{gather*}
$$



Fig. 1. Twin Tee filter.

(a)


Fig. 2. Voltage transfer function of symmetrical fwin Tee.

(b)

Fig. 3. Cascaded network used for narrowing bandwidth. (a) Double lead network, (b) double lag network.

(a)


(b)

Fig. 4. Network used in cascade to convert twin Tee to (a) low-pass filter, (b) high-pass filter.
anthmic symmetry about $f_{0}$, Fig. 2 . The band"idth $b$, as well as the upper and lower band limits $f_{n}, f_{t}$, defined in Fig. 2, are given by

$$
\begin{gather*}
b=\frac{f_{0}}{a}\left[2\left(1+a^{2}\right)^{4}\right]  \tag{5}\\
f_{h, L}=\frac{f_{0}}{a}\left[ \pm 1+\left(1+a^{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right] \tag{6}
\end{gather*}
$$

For tuning, $r_{3}$ is generally adjustable. One may deviate from Eq. 1 to obtain finite transmission at $f_{o}$. In addition, either $C_{3}$ or $r_{1} / r_{2}$ with $\left(r_{1}+r_{2}\right)$ equal to a constant, is adjustable.
When the filter is terminated in $\boldsymbol{R}_{T} » r_{1}+r_{2}$, the input impedance is
$Z=\frac{1}{2}\left(r_{1}+r_{2}\right)(1-a)(1-j)$ at $f=f_{0}$
$Z_{i} \approx \frac{1}{2}\left(r_{1}+r_{2}\right)\left(a-a^{2}\right)$ for $f \gg f_{0}$
$Z_{i} \approx r_{1}+r_{2}+R_{T}$ for $f \ll f_{o}$
$Z_{1} \approx r_{1}+r_{2}+R_{1}$ (9)
When the filter is supplied by a source whose output resistance is $R_{s}$, the filter output impedance $\mathrm{Z}_{0}$ is
$Z_{o}=\frac{1}{2}\left(r_{1}+r_{2}\right) a(1-j)$ at $f=f_{o}$
$\frac{1}{Z_{o}} \approx \frac{2}{r_{1}}+\frac{2}{r_{2}}+\frac{1}{R}$, for $f \gg f_{o}$
(10)
$Z_{o} \approx r_{1}+r_{2}+R_{s}$ for $f \ll f_{s}$
While the transmission property, Eq. 3, is based on a filter supplied by a zero impedance source and terminated in an open circuit, the following inequalities are sufficient for practical purposes

$$
\begin{gathered}
6 R_{\mathbf{B}} \leq\left(r_{1}+r_{2}\right)\left(a-a^{2}\right) \\
R_{T} \geq 3\left(r_{1}+r_{2}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

(13)
(14)

If $R_{S}$ and $R_{T}$ are given, one chooses $\left(r_{1}+r_{2}\right)^{2}=2 R_{S} R_{T} /\left(a-a^{2}\right)$
In any event, it is necessary that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{R_{T}}{R_{s}} \geq \frac{20}{a-a^{2}} \tag{16}
\end{equation*}
$$

The sharpness of resonance can be improved by using a double lead network, Fig. 3a, and/or a double lag network, Fig. 3b, in cascade with buffer stages between networks.

To obtain high or low pass filters, RC sections shown in Figs. 4a and b respectively are cascaded (with buffer stages).

For Fig. 4a
$2 R_{2}=3 R_{1} ; \omega_{1}=1 / R_{1} C_{1} ; \omega_{2}=1 / R_{2} C_{2} \quad$ (17)
$4 R_{3}=R_{1} ; \omega_{2}=5 \omega_{1} ; \omega / \omega_{2}=\lambda$
For Fig. 4b
$3 R_{2}=2 R_{1} ; \omega_{1}=1 / R_{1} C_{1} ; \omega_{2}=1 / R_{2} C_{2} \quad$ (18)
$R_{3}=4 R_{1} ; 5 \omega_{2}$
$R_{3}=4 R_{1} ; 5 \omega_{2}=\omega_{1} ; \omega / \omega_{2}=\lambda$
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The simplified block diagram of the analyzer


Fig. 1. (Top) Simplified blok diagram of 2,000 channel analyzer; (Bottom) Sequence of data handling. Data recorded by electrostatic system during the "write" period is transferred to magnetic drum system during "read" period.
and the sequence of data handling with respect to drum position are shown in Figs. la and lb.
The initial cyclotron pulse initiates a train of $10-\mathrm{mc}$ pulses. These cause the "address" generator and storage-tube circuits to step sequentially through the 2,000 addresses-or points on the electrostatic tube face where data are stored.
When the "writing cycle" is completed, and the drum in the proper position, the drum sends the first of 2,000 address advance pulses to the address and deflection circuits, and the $2,000 \mathrm{ad}$ dresses are "interrogated."


Fig. 2. Basic 10 -mc flip-flop curcuit used in 2,000 -channel analyzer.


Fig. 3. (Top) Triggering flip-flop chain through AND circuits reduces carry time, and hence delay. (Bottom) Simplified schematic of two stages of flip-flops triggered through AND circuits.

The pattern of 2,000 addresses on the tube face is in a rectangular array of 64 by 32 dots, or 2,048 in total, of which only 2,000 are used to store data.

The deflection voltage is a staircase waveform. During the write cycle, the address pattern is traced out in $200 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ (assuming $0.1 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ channels). Each step is triggered by a pulse from a $10-\mathrm{mc}$ gated oscillator.
During the "read cycle" the same 2,000 dots are traversed again. This time, each step corresponds to an address advance pulse from the drum. The rate during read is 7 or $8 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ per channel, which is consistent with the drum's ability to accept data. During the read cycle, each spot is interrogated, and if a " 1 " was stored during the write cycle, an appropriate signal is returned to the drum and the " 1 " erased.
The basic circuit used in the scaling and counting stages was the $10-\mathrm{mc}$ flip-flop shown in Fig. 2. This circuit also was used whenever a steep gating waveform was required.
Conventionally a flip-flop chain is triggered by differentiating the signal from one plate to the flip-llop and applying this signal to the succeeding flip-flop. However, when steep waveforms are used, this can introduce a delay per stage of about one-half the rise time of the driving signal. This difficulty was overcome by using "AND" circuits to detect the state of the flip-flop before the trigger occurred. As shown in Fig. 3a, the trigger propagated down the line of "AND" circuits that were coupled to the flip-flops.
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The amplifier gave a rise time of 3 nsec , and an output of about 4 v peak-to-peak with no distortion.
The design procedure is as follows:

1) Select $Z_{0}$, the characteristic impedance of the $T$ section, and $f_{c}$, the corner frequency (about

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ompensates for 6 db per octave
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1.5 times the upper frequency of interest).
2) Calculate $L$ and $C$ from

$$
L=Z_{o} / \pi f_{o}
$$

and

$$
C=1 / \pi f_{c} Z_{o}
$$

3) Select $R$ to give the proper corner frequency from

$$
1 / 2 \pi R C=f_{t} / \beta_{o}
$$

where $f_{t}=$ frequency at which $h_{f e}=1$, and $\beta_{0}=$ low-frequency current gain.
The low-frequency gain per stage of the amplifier is given by:

$$
e_{o} / e_{g}=n \beta_{o} R_{L} / 2 R
$$

whire $n=$ number of transistors per stage.
In practice, $C$ is usually a trimmer, and adjustment is made with the help of a sweep generator. The collector capacitance need not be a trimmer, but $C_{o b}$ and stray wiring capacitance (about 5 pf ) should be considered.
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#### Abstract

Here is evidence that before engineer job seekers even get in touch with companies personally, they have definite opinions about them as employers-opinions they have formed subconsciously. Here, too, are concrete suggestions to help insure that more than a subconscious opinion dictates your choice of a new employer and a new job.


## Richard Haitch

E.N. GINEER, electronic design engineer ex. traordinary, left the R\&D director's office and strode purposefully to his cluttered desk. For a minute, but no longer, he let the director's parting message filter through his tidy brain:
and the circuit must be redesigned better than any we have ever built. It's your baby now. This is a crash program, and the company's reputation depends on it."
A tall order. Gineer thought. But he approached the design problem in characteristic fashion. The first thing he did was recall all the rumors he had heard about the best materials to use in such a circuit; he immediately narrowed his choice to these. Next he remembered the advice of colleagues who had built not necessarily the same type of circuit but somewhat similar ones; he followed their advice to a tee. He had read more than one technical article about circuits like this in the last year, but he did not bother to check either the articles or the data in them; he could trust his infallible memory and intuition. Gineer had a few ideas of his own. of course, but he didn't press them too strongly -just enough to strengthen his conviction that the information he now had secondhand and by hearsay was good enough. He ordered his components at once without checking them out.
When he had finished the circuit, Gineer knew that it was the best he (and probably anyone) had ever created.
Fantastic? Of course. Sheer fiction? Naturally.

It goes without saying that no sane engineer would design a circuit that way. Would it surprise you then to hear that when it comes to choosing a job, the odds are heavy that you may react in comparable fashion?
That job-hunting engineers do so react has been established by psychological study. Secondhand information, rumor, innuendo, hearsay-all figure importantly in steering engineers to certain companies. Nor is it abnormal for an engineer to rely on such wispy intelligence. Strange as it may seem. he is not even aware that he reacts in this way when he chooses a job. And even if he were aware, he could not decree events otherwise.
The study that uncovered this has alerted the engineer to the wisdom of conducting a full, personal investigation hefore accepting employment with a company. There are specific questions every engineer should ask a prospective employer, specific iob conditions that should be explored, of which more presently.

## The Engineer and the Image

The psychological study of engineer job seekers originated with an assumption put forth at Deutsch \& Shea, Inc., technical manpower consultants, that engineers set up within themselves images of engineering companies; that these images are formed unwittingly over a period of time; that long before an engineer changes jobs. he has selected certain of these images as likely employers and eliminated others.
When Deutsch \& Shea set out to test its assumption, it knew, as psychologists long have
known, that some human actions are undertaken largely without conscious thought. These subconscious actions are conditioned by previous influences. The conditioning factor may be something a person has experienced, something he has seen or heard that has left a marked impression. Filed in the human mind, such influences are ready to trigger behavior all but automatically at an opportune time.

To what extent, if any, engineers are so influenced when they choose an employer was the subject of a pilot investigation by specialists in human behavior. Depth interviews, using clinical psychologists as interviewers, were used to uncover the findings in the Deutsch \& Shea study. The depth-interview technique was selected because it offered two advantages over a routine questionnaire: by exploring the subconscious, it could yield a truer picture of motivations than the "accepted" replies people usually give to standard questionnaires; and because it penetrated the human facade, a smaller-than-average sample of subjects was needed.

Twelve engineering companies of various size and structure were studied. The psychologists interviewed 50 engineers- 20 electrical, 20 mechanical and 10 aeronautical. Of these, 45 per cent were 30 to 40 years old; 20 per cent, 20 to 30 years; 12 per cent, 50 to 60 , and 10 per cent, more than 60 . They worked for 44 different companies. All but two were college graduates, and these two held advanced engineering positions. Roughly half of the subjects were members of a professional engineering society.
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Interviews were conducted in the engineers homes to promote a relaxed atmosphere. The engineers were encouraged to talk about all of their associations, images, feelings or impressions about the companies under study.

## Preconceptions Without Personal Contact

Here is what Deutsch \& Shea found, among other things:
Engineers have definite preconceptions about companies as places for work, even though they may not have had personal contact with them, and these preconceptions color their evaluations of the companies as potential employers.

The preconceptions are not based on salary or location of a plant.
While personal contacts appear to exert the strongest influence on opinions about companies as employers, other factors can and do play a part. Twenty-four per cent of the engineers, for example, credited "experience with company's products" as having influenced their job choice.
Like the consumer who responds to both the real and imagined attributes of a particular brand when he makes a purchase, engineers entering the job market tend to respond favorably to the recruitment advertising of some companies and to ignore or disbelieve similar advertising by other organizations.
"There is, however," the psychologists concluded, "this difference: while consumers generally are familiar with the attributes of the prominent brands of most consumer products, very few engineers have had personal contact with more than a portion of the companies about which they hold opinions. Their company images, which often are very strongly held, are typically based only in small part on personal experience. The reputation of a particular company has its roots in reports by colleagues, in advertising and promotional materials, in rumors about administrative and employe practices, and other similar elements."

## Advantage Can Be Yours

Now there is nothing eccentric about subconscious behavior. To paraphrase a line, each of us could well say, "Some of my best actions are subconscious." How would you like, for example, to be forced to stop and deliberate about the task every time you tied your shoelaces, or whenever you flicked the wheel of your car while driving? We do such things habitually without thinking-and what are habits but subconscious manifestations.

Most engineering companies, Deutsch \& Shra found, are not even aware that they foster a subconscious reaction in job applicants. The enployment image an engineer builds of an en $̧$ i neering company can, in some respects, be conpared with the image a typical bridegroom-to-l)e forms of his prospective bride. The bridegroonis vision is romantically colored, and while most of the traits he attributes to the woman on the pedestal are unquestionably present in varying degrees (at least he hopes they are), other aspects of character-the very ones that may later prove disruptive to the marriage-remain obscured to his view. For this he is partly to blame. psychologists tell us, because, under the immutable spell of romance, he does not search for them, and even were they pointed out to him he would be inclined to reject them: romantically, he prefers ignorance.
In reality the engineer cannot stop building images of companies, or even obliterate the images once they are formed. He cannot order his subconscious processes to quit functioning. Realistically, though, he can channel them to his advantage. He can use an image he has formed of a company as the impetus for a thorough investigation of the company's traits and qualifications. Bo doing so he will insure, insofar as is sensibly possible, logical selection of the best job; he will avoid later disappointment and dissension with the company.

## Get Specific Facts About Employers

What constitutes a thorough investigation of a company's potential? Personal contact to obtain specific information, as opposed to the generalizations contained in most preconceptions about companies. With the general image you may already have of a company, with the general idea you should have of its financial strength and prestige before requesting an interview, here are some penetrating questions to ask a job interviewer, as suggested by Deutsch \& Shea. Many will be familiar. Use them as a check list.
At the preliminary interview, ask:
Will you please give me statistics on sales for the last five years?
(You can get a fuller picture of a company's present stability and where it is headed by comparing its growth.)
What has the staff totaled for the last fic years? Is any expansion planned for the rest of this year? For 1961?
(Consider whether the staff is growing steadily or is subject to wide fluctuations.)
What projects is the plant working on at pres ent and how long does it expect to be working on them?
(Aside from classified information, most com-

panies will give you enough details to gage whether there is sufficient technical challenge for you, whether the projects are long-term and whether they are of sufficient size and diversity.)
How is the management organized with respect to lines of authority? Who makes the decisions in the company?
(Some engineers have strong prejudices against large companies, others against small ones, but the important thing is not necessarily the size but the corporate structure. Some large companies, for example, have decentralized management. Who makes the decisions and at what level they are made are vital.)
What is the starting salary for this engineering position and what is its upper limit? How do these figures compare with salaries for administrative positions of comparable experience?
(The initial salary is a governing factor in your decision obviously, but don't neglect the potential. And if you aim to be a technical specialist, you will want to know whether administrative specialists have an edge on pay day.
Are there regular salary increases?
(It's sometimes nice to count on sure money when planning your own budget.)
Aside from salary, does the company have a benefits program?
(Some concerns offer paid life insurance, accident and health policies, stock-bonus plans, profit sharing and the like.)

## Visit the Company Plant

At the plant interview, ask:
What will my first job assignment be? Please sive me details.
(Countless engineers sour on their positions because they expected them to be infinitely more challenging and interesting than they turned out to be. Brochures of plant programs can sometimes stir unrealistic flights of enthusiasm in a joh hunter. Sometimes there is not enough diversity in assignments to match an engineer's interests. Try to guard against these pitfalls by getting details of your first assignment and a decription of the normal work day in the group yon may join.)
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How large is the group I will be working with? May I please see the table of organization?
(Try to estimate whether one or two engineers -or a dozen-will have to advance before your own chance for promotion comes.)

With regard to promotions, how much importance is attached to merit? To seniority?
(Nearly every company will say merit is key to promotion, but ask for tangible evidence of this: ask for illustrations of how men in the organization have forged ahead strictly on merit and whether this is the general practice or the exception to the rule.)

How much responsibility will I have in a project as a development or design engineer?
(A satisfactory reply depends on your personal needs. Some engineers are happy only if they can carry their ideas through the hardware stage; some are content to leave the final design and production details to others while they concentrate on successive R or D problems. In any case, you will want to know if the company will have enough confidence in you to let you work without excessive restraint on your initiative.)

How many non-engineers-such as technicians, laboratory assistants, draftsmen, clerical work-ers-does the plant employ, as compared with engineers?
(A high ratio of non-engineer to engineers may indicate high professional status for engineers, with little of their time dissipated on nonprofessional work.)

Tell me how communications are organized at the plant. W'ill I be informed regularly about all the important company operations and policies? How would I go about obtaining assistance from another department if I needed it? Are there regular arrangements for technical conferences?
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Is there is job-rotation program?
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Don't Neglect the Fringe Areas
There will be other questions you will want to ask, observations you will be making on your visit to the company plant. Some of these will arise spontaneously as the interview proceeds; others will relate to your individual needs.

Observe, for example, the technical equipment available to engineers. Ask about specific equipment that you consider essential in your specialty. Note the working conditions: Quiet or noisy? Privacy and ample room for every engineer or communal, cramped quarters?

Does the company and do conditions at the plant encourage creativity? Be on your toes for the indirect clues. Talk with non-supervisory engineers as well as supervisors at the plant and get their view's. How many patents are granted to the company's engineers in a year? How many papers do the engineers have published? You can get a good idea of the climate for creativity by combining clues such as these.

What of the plant's location? Is it accessible to a decent residential area? See if the area has such features as adequate transportation, shopping that will meet with your wife's approval, good schools (not overcrowded) where your cliildren can study without distraction, and cultural and recreational facilities, such as theatres, sports, libraries.

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& \text { displacement } F(t)=A \sin \omega \text { t. }
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