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New rule jars TV industry

Much of the television industry is still in a mild state of shock as a result of a ruling by the Federal Trade Commission regarding picture-tube measurements. The new rule, effective July 1, bans the traditional method of specifying tube size—that is, in terms of the over-all diagonal.

After July 1, it will be illegal for a manufacturer “to use any figure or size designation to refer to the size of the picture shown by a television receiving set, or the picture tube contained therein, unless such indicated size is the actual size of the viewable picture area measured on a single-plane basis.”

The new rule goes on to say that if the indicated size is other than the horizontal dimension of the actual viewable picture area, the designation must be accompanied by a statement clearly and conspicuously showing the manner of measurement.

In line with its ruling, the FTC provided examples of what will be proper and improper size descriptions for a TV set with a picture measuring 20 inches diagonally, 19 inches horizontally and 15 inches vertically—a picture area of 262 square inches.

**PROPER**

- 20-inch picture measured diagonally
- 19-inch-by-15-inch picture
- 19-inch picture
- 262-square-inch picture

**IMPROPER**

- 21-inch set
- 21-inch diagonal set
- 21-inch over-all diagonal/262 square-inch picture
- “brand name” 21

In making the ruling, the FTC said that the practice of unqualifiedly representing picture sizes in terms of the diagonal (in the case of rectangular tubes) or the over-all dimensions of the tubes tends to mislead the public. It also has the effect of diverting business from competitors who do not use unqualified size representations, the FTC noted.

The effects of the new ruling are expected to be far-reaching, especially if the TV industry should adopt the “picture diagonal” method of measurement, as opposed to the other alternatives offered by the FTC. Most TV set designations, would in this case, lose one to two inches, so that what was formerly specified as a 21-inch set would now become a TV set having a 20-inch picture.

A busy period in space

Activity in space has been hectic on both sides of the iron curtain recently, as the next Gemini—number 8—is scheduled to link with an Agena satellite in orbit this week. A two-hour “space walk” is also planned for this mission.

Despite the unfortunate loss in the as-yet-unexplained accident of both Gemini-9 astronauts, that mission’s schedule has reportedly not been affected.

And then there were the Russians, embarrassing us again with their Venus crash-landing. U.S. officials are, however, speculating that the hard landing may have been a mistake. But they still did it.

Not too well publicized was the first successful orbit—by the French—of an unmanned satellite recently. Not spectacular by U.S. or U.S.S.R. standards, but *tres bon* in French scientific circles at least.

‘Fastest’ computer planned

An electronic computer that may be up to 50 times faster than any now contemplated is planned at the University of Illinois. Illiac IV, as the machine will be known, is to pioneer a new concept in special-purpose computer organization. Prof. Daniel L. Slotnick, who developed the concept will head the project.

According to Prof. John R. Pasta of the university, Illiac IV is planned for upwards of one billion computations a second, compared with the eight million of today’s fastest machines. To achieve its higher speed, Illiac IV will have one control unit and a very large number of linked arithmetic and storage units. In essence, the organizational concept of Illiac IV can be described as “large-scale, highly parallel.”
Illiac IV is being financed through an $8-million contract with the Department of Defense. Of the total, $6 million is budgeted for construction, to be completed in two and a half years, and $1 million for operation in each of the two following years.

C.B.S. denies video-disc development

Officials of the Columbia Broadcasting System have denied a report that C.B.S. Laboratories has perfected a method of recording video signals on a metal disc. Although the device has supposedly been demonstrated at the company headquarters in Stamford, Conn., E. K. Meade, vice president of corporate information for C.B.S., states: “We deny we have such a device.” But reports persist of C.B.S. activity in the area.

The disc that “doesn’t exist” is reportedly seven inches in diameter and three-eighths of an inch thick. It is said to play like a phonograph record on a unit connected to the user’s home-TV set, and to record in either black-and-white or color.

RCA reports banner year

Record sales of over $2 billion have been reported by RCA in its 1965 annual report. This represents an increase of 13% over the 1964 sales.

According to the report, color television provided the greatest single stimulus to growth, accounting for one out of every five dollars of current RCA income. Defense business was up over the 1964 figure, with Government business currently accounting for less than 25 per cent of RCA’s total volume.

The report predicted further gains for the company in 1966, particularly in the areas of consumer products, data-processing equipment and integrated circuits.

Solid-state light sources being marketed

Visible light from solid semiconductor crystals—hitherto a laboratory curiosity—has become a commercial reality. The Monsanto Co. announces that it has begun to market such devices.

The new light sources are designed for use as instrument signal lights or panel indicators and they have a number of computer uses. The diode-type devices emit a nearly monochromatic red light and have ON-OFF response times of about 8 to 10 nanoseconds. Typical operating conditions call for the new light sources to be operated at 1.6 volts, with 50 milliamperes of current in the forward direction. When operated this way surface brightness exceeds 50 foot-lamberts. Greater brightness levels occur at higher currents.

Comsat plans global system

The Communications Satellite Corporation has asked the Federal Communications Commission for authority to build six advanced synchronous satellites, to be used in the developing global commercial system.

In filing with the FCC, Comsat expressed the belief that a synchronous altitude of 22,300 miles would be the best orbital configuration for the global satellites. This is the same altitude as Early Bird, the world’s first commercial communications satellite, which now links North America and Europe.

The orbital weight of each of the proposed satellites would be approximately 250 pounds, as opposed to 85 pounds for Early Bird. With their increased size, the global satellites would be capable of handling all types of communications—data, television or about 1200 telephone circuits. This compares with 240 voice or phone circuits via Early Bird.

Cost of the six satellites is estimated at $30 million. Comsat is currently engaged in negotiations with TRW/Systems for development and production of the satellites. Launching would begin sometime in 1968. Four of the satellites would be sufficient to provide global coverage. The two others would be reserves.

Recovery operations for the Gemini-8 launch, scheduled for late this month, will be televised “live” from the carrier Boxer. ITT World Communications, Inc., will operate the ground station, the same as it did during the Gemini-6/7 recovery. The pictures will be transmitted from the Boxer to Andover, Me., via the Early Bird satellite.

The formation of an organization for users of computer-circuit analysis programs has been proposed by C. H. Purdue of the Sandia Corp. The primary purpose would be to exchange information, from the user’s viewpoint. Those interested can get in touch with Purdue at the Sandia Corp., P. O. Box 5800, Albuquerque, N. M.

Fairchild Semiconductor has undertaken an expansion program that will more than double its research and development facilities by the end of this year. Along with an increase in plant facilities, the company expects to almost double its present R&D manpower level from 450 to 800.
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ON READER-SERVICE CARD CIRCLE 200
LSI highlighted at solid-state conference

Large-scale integration: yea or nay, FET or bipolar, standardization debated. Lively meet also explores micropower, RF, linear, microwave, memory devices.

Editors Joseph Casazza, Rene Colen, Roger Field, Richard Harnar and Mark Leeds contributed to this article.

The ever-growing complexity of integrated-circuit arrays—becoming known as LSI (large-scale integration) formed the keynote for the 1966 International Solid State Circuits Conference in Philadelphia last month.

Two LSI sessions were sparked by debates over FET vs bipolar approaches, and various companies discussed techniques.

A tutorial session on Gunn and Read effects included computer-generated motion pictures of solutions to the basic equations for the effects.

The MOS technique is invading micropower circuitry.

RF transistors are being designed for higher powers, to hundreds or thousands of watts.

Linear ICs are becoming as common as digital types.

Thin-film memories still hold an edge over semiconductor types.

What and where is LSI?

When does an integrated circuit become an LSI circuit? Joseph C. Logue of IBM sets the borderline at 100 digital logic circuits per chip (a NOR, NAND or equivalent).

Under this definition, the LSI goal has not yet been reached. But Jack Kilby of Texas Instruments, speaking also at the conference keynote session, said that "it is quite realistic to project, by extension of present techniques, 100-gate units of random logic with either the MOS or bipolar technique in the next few years."

Where are we now? Bipolar 4- and 6-gate packages are readily available, and 15 to 20 functions per chip will be announced this year, Kilby said. In MOS, 15- to 20-gate units and 20- to 100-bit shift registers have been designed.

These figures seem to indicate that the MOS-FET approach to LSI has a good lead. But the 30-ns delay per package achieved by FETs is not fast enough for large systems of 2000 circuits or more, Logue asserts. "As technical problems are solved and LSI penetrates this performance region, we should see FETs losing ground to bipolar devices," he said. At present, however, FETs are still attractive for small, comparatively slow, systems such as memories.

With the possibility of a "runaway technology," a call for LSI standardization is being heard. E. A. Sack of Westinghouse gave the following reasons for establishing standards now: Economies would be possible in the production, packaging and testing of LSI circuits (these items now account for the major part of the costs), and requirements for second sourcing of devices would be facilitated.

The "standard" LSI package is apparently a long way from realization. Should the leads come from the side of the package or the bottom? Will 25- or 10-mil spacing of leads be the standard? What will the next level of external connections be after the 14-lead package: between 48 and 64 pins? —RH

LSI production problems debated

Three recent production advances in LSI were discussed by another panel.

These are multi-layering of interconnections on a chip, the use of organic insulators in conjunction with molybdenum-gold evaporated connectors, and the use of computer-programmed discretionary connection of redundant circuit functions.

Multi-layering techniques have been developed by Motorola of Phoenix to use four layers of connectors. No unusual problems have interfered with the manufacture of these complex structures, and although only small batches have been tested, there is no evidence that these layered connections are unusually fragile. At present, arrays of 4-by-4 memory cells are completely interconnected by the top two additional metalization layers after the first two intracircuit the cells themselves. One distinct advantage to yields is that the cells can be tested after the completion of the second metalization. Then, only chips that have a high number of working, adjacent cells are cut up, so that these good cells can be interconnected.

Texas Instruments, too, has been experimenting with multilayered interconnectors. According to one panelist, J. Lathrop of TI, his company has been using an organic insulator for the upper interconnectors. This insulator is poured into the chip as a liquid, which tends to fill up holes and sharp edges that would be fatal to inorganic insulators. In this manner connector layers can be applied to whole wafers at a time.

The Motorola representative, Raisen, asked Lathrop: "Why did TI elect to depart from the customary aluminum metallization and silicon-oxide insulation and go to what I would consider a potentially unreliable organic insulation and moly-gold metallization system?"

Lathrop replied: "That's like asking, 'Have you stopped beating your wife?' We departed from the standard aluminum, silicon-dioxide method because, first of all, we don't use aluminum; we use moly-gold. Second, we found that silicon dioxide doesn't work. It seems like a simple..."
thing to put down an insulating layer, but very few people have interconnected 120 gates. The reason has been that no one has gotten a compatible metal-insulator system that will fit on top of a semiconductor chip. We don’t look on this organic material as the ultimate, but at least it has allowed us to get into the computer design of masks.”

Lathrop then explained that organic insulation was fine for most commercial and industrial purposes. “You don’t heat your computer to 300°C to see how long it’ll last,” he said. At 125°C the organic insulation will shrink only 5% in weight in 8000 hours, he pointed out. Tests show, he said, that devices can tolerate a 50% shrinkage before they run into difficulties.

There has been a great deal of talk about discretionary connection by computers in large-scale integration. One panelist, R. S. Shahbender of RCA, pointed out that a good portion of the investment in tooling up to make integrated circuits was in making the masks. Also, most of the failures, he said, can be traced to small errors in this operation.

Raisenen insisted that the audience shouldn’t put all its hopes on computer-programmed, discretionary wiring. He said that the computer is not like “a hole in the wall to which one shouts questions and gets answers.” It is costly to rent and program, he pointed out. —RKF

Micropower design discussed

Conferences at the informal discussion session on “Elements of Micropower” were treated to the “how to” aspects of micropower design. Linear and switching systems constituted the main subjects, as the panel dwelt on the role of both bipolar and MOS devices.

R. D. Lohman of the Electronic Components and Devices Div. of RCA covered the growing role of MOS transistors in micropower applications. He cited their “negligible standby power, low dynamic power, good noise immunity and high-speed attributes” as meeting the demands of very-low-power digital circuit needs.

Lohman suggested that further power savings accrued when an MOS device, instead of a resistor, was used as the load in logic circuits. Operating as a voltage-variable resistor that is clocked in and out, this extra MOS unit also provides faster switching speeds and lower output impedance.

The all-important aspects of beta ($h_{re}$) changes and leakage variations of bipolar in high-radiation environments were considered by A. R. Molozzi of the Defense Research Board, Ottawa, Canada. He pointed out that second-order effects are here, especially in near-earth orbits, cannot be neglected. “Aging is as important a factor in microwv power design as the circuit itself,” he added. The worst-case design must incorporate aging effects and their influence on $h_{re}$ and $I_{che}$. “Low-current operation is a must here, and it is in the low-current regions of the transistor where the parameter variations are greatest,” Sarles said. The two suggested that annealing be used to minimize the surface effects.

Bulk effects in these environments are marked by decreases in gain, slower transit times and large impedance changes. Leakage currents, however, rise—sometimes by as much as 1000 times. “For the best performance, small-area devices made up of high-quality oxides should be used. These should typically be heavily doped units with thin bases, to keep $h_{re}$ high and $I_{che}$ low,” Molozzi said.

The discussion concluded that bipolar devices were still the trendsetters for linear signal systems and that the MOS might soon be dominating the data-processing (switching) applications in the micropower realm.

More power for RF transistors

A discussion of high power RF circuits indicated that engineers would soon be buying high-frequency transistors capable of accommodating hundreds and even thousands of watts.

Over the last few years the major developmental effort on high-frequency transistors has been aimed at pushing the upper frequency limits up and up. Relatively little has been done to increase the power-handling abilities of these units; tens of watts at 50 MHz or so has been peak. However, recent advances in device technology, improved microelectronic disciplines and a better understanding of high-power, high-frequency circuit design point to the emergence of more powerful transistors for these RF applications.

Typical of these will be a device capable “of 500 watts output at hundreds of megahertz,” said George C. Luettgenau, Research Director of TRW, Inc.

Luettgenau also described the RF transistor of the future as a “super compote of many transistors, interconnected in a one-inch-squared encapsulated circuit.” “This device,” he predicted, “will incorporate integrated as well as discrete elements, such as built-in bypass capacitors, and will closely resemble an array in structure.”

This opinion was reinforced by another panel member, Donald R. Carley of RCA’s Electronic Components and Devices Div. He pointed out that “case developments will be a major factor in these higher-power, high-frequency units of tomorrow.” The packages, he said, will feature strip-line and coaxial-line elements, so as to accommodate better the power levels involved in operating at frequencies of 1 GHz.

Carley emphasized that individual transistor pellets were now near their ultimate limitations in high-frequency, high-power capabilities: “output impedances can’t go much lower, and the packages themselves are as much a part of the input impedance as the devices.”

Still another panel member, Neil DiGiacomo of the Wright-Patterson AFB Avionics Laboratory, amplified on the role that IC techniques would enjoy here. He suggested that “a hybrid combination of multi-chips with built-in, etched, discrete inductors on the same sub-
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strate as the transistors will be the form of the high-power, high-frequency device."

"These will include," he said, "protection from high VSWRs due to load changes, matching networks and RF Darlington circuits with very-low collector capacities."

The panel cited present device capabilities and a pool of solutions to circuit-design problems as a springboard for predicting what's in the wings. K. H. Fischer of the U.S. Army Electronics Command, R. C. Hejhall of Motorola Semiconductor Products Div. and R. Etherington of General Electric Co. contributed to the discussion here. They and the others on the panel pointed to following achievements:

- For straight CW power at 75% efficiency, 50 W at 150 MHz, 10 W at 500 MHz and 100 W at 5-MHz are now obtainable.
- For ssb operation, 25 W at 30 MHz and 20 W at 75 MHz, with the third harmonic at least 30 dB down, are now commonplace.
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The panel also touched on the role of field-effect devices in these high-frequency, high-power applications. Luettgenau said that junction-FETs might soon be capable of handling watts of power at hundreds of Basic mechanisms of Gunn & Read effects are now well understood, thanks to computers, Alan Chynoweth tells a tutorial session.
megahertz. He outlined a FET power structure with parallel vertical channels that formed a grid-shaped gate and said this configuration would eventually do the job. He added that the square-law properties of FETs made them ideal here, but that the stability problems of FETs were worse today than with their bipolar counterparts. He predicted, however, that these problems would be solved soon.

More linear ICs foreseen

An evening panel session on "Linear Integrated Circuits" seemed to generate more interest in where and how the devices could be used than in any problems that manufacturers might be encountering.

"The argument that there are problems in manufacturing linear integrated circuits is rubbish," said Robert Widlar of Fairchild Semiconductor.

No one seemed inclined to dispute him.

Widlar pointed out that linear integrated circuits could be made as easily and as well as digital ICs are now being made. He warned, however, that their advantage in circuit design would be realized only by fully employing their unique properties of good device matching and tight temperature coupling. As an example, he said, with the use of ICs, one can use diode bias for transistors, whereas such a bias scheme with the use of discrete components would be expensive and undesirable.

H. C. Lin of Westinghouse supported this view, by pointing out that differential amplifiers built in integrated-circuit form could be much more temperature-stable because of the tight temperature coupling between the differential pairs, more so than with designs that use discrete components.

One recurring question in the audience concerned the establishment of standard amplifiers and standardization of circuit parameters and representation. According to J. Solomon of Motorola, Inc., it seems doubtful that a universal amplifier would be feasible. Circuit demands vary greatly and would not be satisfied by one or two standard amplifiers, he said. In addition, since mask costs are not high and the costs of IC tooling are being quickly reduced, the real determining cost factor becomes the design cost, according to Solomon.

Michael Gay of the Plessey Co. in England described some of the devices his company had recently produced. Within the next six months, he said, his concern will have some 15 linear ICs on the market. Already being marketed are linear wideband amplifiers with typical upper cut-off frequencies of 100 MHz and a log amplifier with a 170-MHz upper cut-off. These devices are primarily intended for IF strips operating in the 10-to-100-MHz region. The intent of the designs is to minimize the number of external components needed. Even the rather large junction type of decoupling capacitors (550 pF) are placed on the chips. One of the IFs built with these devices was a log amplifier that uses four IC packages and two discrete capacitors. This amplifier has a log range of 48 dB ±5 dB from 12 MHz to 120 MHz. Its noise figure is 5 dB.

One problem in the use of ICs was brought out by a member of the audience who asked whether any standardization on required supply voltages would be forthcoming. The answer from a panelist was that "it is a problem." The solution he gave was to design circuits that would tolerate large supply variations. Solomon said such designs might involve larger power dissipations. He also discussed Motorola's program to manufacture a line of integrated power supplies with current-handling capabilities up to 1 amp. This will be accomplished, he said, by diffusing reasonably good zeners onto the chips and by using discrete zener chips mounted inside the power-supply package.

Other panelists were J. G. Linvill of Stanford University; L. Housely, Texas Instruments, Inc., and W. Engl, Institute fur Hochfrequenztechnik, Braunsweg, West Germany. The moderator was R. S. Pepper of the Sprague Electric Co.

Integrated memories: film vs semiconductors

The consensus of an evening panel session on high-performance memory electronics was that magnetic thin film memories still have the edge over semiconductor types. The costs of both types still remain high, but the appearance of the MOS device and improved manufacturing techniques should result in lower prices, the panelists agreed.

Complementary MOS transistors that draw no standby power will improve the position of semiconductor memories, according to J. D. Schmidt of Fairchild Semiconductor, although bipolar devices are faster and magnetic memories still provide larger system capacity at lower cost. Schmidt described a 150-ns semiconductor memory with a capacity of 2 x 10^4 bits, at a cost of less than $1 per bit; he said it should be available this year.

Magnetic-film memory advantages were discussed by Harley Kukuk of Fabritek, Inc., who described a planar film system with a 10^-bit capacity and a speed of 0.25 µs; it costs about 15 cents per bit. Fabritek expects to have the memory available this year. According to Kukuk the cost of a film-memory array accounts for less than half the total system cost, with the associated electronics accounting for the larger share. Cost-per-array remains fairly constant and increased array density will reduce cost.

In the opinion of G. A. Fedde of the Sperry Rand Corp., memories using the word-select scheme get rid of the penalty of nondestructive read-out, and he expects a system of this type to be available in two to four years with a capacity of 10^6 bits, a speed of 1 µs and cost of less than 1 cent per bit.

Also on the panel were J. H. Wuorinen, moderator, of Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc., L. Housely of Texas Instruments, Inc., and H. Yourke of IBM.
Full speed ahead for high-speed trains

150-mph tests planned in Jersey this year, as U.S. presses electronics-oriented transit program with extra R&D millions in the new budget.

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The Government's high-speed rail research program, with stress on electronic controls, is scheduled to move from the planning board to the roadbed this year. By fall, Commerce Dept. officials say, test trains will be whizzing at 150 mph in New Jersey. By year's end, hopefully, faster and more frequent railroad service will begin between Washington and New York.

Unlike most other non-war activities, funds for the High Speed Ground Transportation Research and Development Program were not cut in the 1967 budget. Shortly after the new fiscal year opens July 1, the program expects to let at least $13 million in contracts.

The 1967 budget follows previously announced plans to spend $90 million over three years—two-thirds on R&D and one-third on a demonstration program and a national statistics-gathering project. Most of the money will go into engineering research, with a very large part of it in electronic areas.

For 1967 the Commerce Dept., where the program is centered, is authorized to commit $19,285,000 on engineering R&D, compared with only $1 million in 1966. Officials at the department told ELECTRONIC DESIGN that the three areas requiring greatest effort in the coming year were guideways (tracks, tubes, etc.), vehicle power and control. Two other engineering R&D areas will also receive appreciable attention: materials and aerodynamics.

Many electronics concerns and a large segment of the electronics-oriented aerospace industry have been bombarding the Commerce Dept. with queries on the program's operation, the immediate and long-range plans, and the contract procedures. One Commercial Dept. official said: "Companies have asked us to send everything we have on rail transit that's been printed, mimeographed or even scribbled" (see accompanying list, containing what the program's officials believe are the more useful references).

A key role for electronics

Why is the electronics industry so excited about this new program? Here is how one Commerce official answered the question:

"At the risk of seeming to answer one question with another, the industry is likely excited for the same reason that many of our people in the program are virtually on a hot line to the industry. When you're running 10 trains between Washington and New York just minutes apart, and they're moving up to 160 mph on a single track that they can't veer from, then you darned well want to know where each of your trains is at all times. You want to gauge danger situations and signal those trains to slow or stop, or even to speed up, and you want them to respond immediately.

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The problems of controlling very high-speed rail traffic were discussed seriously in debate on the Mass Transportation Act of 1964 and the High Speed Ground Transportation Research and Development Act of 1965. That is when the U. S. public began hearing about the fast, reliable, heavily automated rail service in Europe, and about the extremely high speeds reached on the almost totally automated rail systems in Japan. Some segments of the public began asking: "Why can't we, too?" Congress appropriated funds for studies. Even original skeptics now agree that the U.S. can have high-speed, automated rail passenger service. Few believe that the Federal program will taper off after the planned three years.

Japan leads the way

Right now the fastest train in North America is the Canadian National Railways' "Rapido." It aver-
ages 67 mph and hits 93 mph on the 335 miles between Montreal and Toronto. The “Rapido,” though, is a slowpoke compared with trains on Japan’s 320-mile Tokaido System between Tokyo and Osaka. They make the trip in four hours, frequently hitting 125 mph, and they have done 160 mph in test runs. Engineers respond only to signals sent from a central control station, which collects data by TV and analyzes it by computer. The engineer is really only a monitor; the electronic system can operate the trains without engineers.

It is the Canadian National feat that the U.S. will first seek to emulate, beginning in the Northeast Corridor, which stretches from New England to Washington. By 1980 the American R&D program hopes to top the Tokaido System.

Three projects to start program

To begin measuring public acceptance of New York-to-Washington rail transportation comparable to the Canadian “Rapido,” the Commerce Dept. is subsidizing an experiment on the Pennsylvania Railroad. Some 50 cars, each electrically powered but also capable of operating in multiple-car trains, will be built for the Pennsy. The cars are to be capable of sustained speeds of 120 mph and top speeds of 150 mph. They are to be able to accelerate and decelerate rapidly, to take advantage of short stretches of track and thus permit high average speeds. The new cars will be fitted into the railroad’s normal Washington-New York and New York-Philadelphia operations.

The most highly publicized test phase of the Commerce Dept.’s R&D program is to be conducted at the same time as the Pennsylvania Railroad experiment. This will involve four specially built, stripped-down cars that will be purchased for about $240,000 each from the railway division of Budd & Co. The cars will be run in New Jersey on a carefully maintained stretch of track between Trenton and New Brunswick. They will be outfitted to measure track profile, riding qualities and other characteristics, and to test such prototype hardware as trucks, suspension systems and catenaries.

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Railroad and the Commerce Dept. will conduct a Boston-to-Providence demonstration, similar to the test on the Pennsylvania. This New England test will use gas-turbine-propelled cars, since the line there is not electrified. United Aircraft and Pullman-Standard will provide two trains of three cars each under a $21.1-million, two-year lease and maintenance contract. The trains will have top speeds of 160 mph.

Projects still being sought
Spearheading the Government's role in all of these programs and in a wide range of smaller research projects soon to be announced is Alan S. Boyd, the Commerce Dept.'s Undersecretary for Transportation. The engineering R&D is being done in the Office of High Speed Ground Transportation, headed by Dr. Robert A. Nelson.

Dr. Nelson says that feasible projects are still being sought for inclusion in the program. Any probable approach will get a personal hearing, without the need for a formal proposal, he said. One area for which R&D funds are slated is investigation of the linear-induction motor and its possible use for high-speed rail transportation.

Although the coming year's R&D contracts are still not set, there is little question that the plans for heavy electronics research will be carried out. These include such areas as communications, high-speed data processing and control.

The direction that some of this research may take is indicated in a study made for the Commerce Dept. by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Part II of the study, entitled "High Priority Research Tasks for High Speed Ground Transport," identifies 22 research programs that should be undertaken as soon as possible. Some of the titles alone in the report point to the electronic designer's role in high-speed rail transportation. These include: "Computer Control of the network"; "Communications"; and "Dynamics and control of vehicle groups.

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Wine information on high-speed rail transportation? The following documents are available from the Commerce Clearing House, Springfield, Va. 22151. They should be ordered by number.

- "Literature Survey of Passenger Comfort Limitations of High-Speed Ground Transports" (60 pp.), J. P. Castens, United Aircraft; $3. PB-168171.
- The following reports contain sections that are useful to electronic designers interested in rail transportation, even though some of the studies include other transit methods:
  - "Buffeting Tests on the Hudson Tube," a study conducted for the Commerce Dept. by the Stanford Research Institute on the effect on a high-speed train when it passes through a tunnel; $2. PB-168647.
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H-bomb search upsets science programs

The search for a U.S. hydrogen-bomb, missing off the southeast coast of Spain following the crash of a jet bomber, has required so much specialized equipment and so many technicians skilled in esoteric tasks that several scientific programs have been damaged. Scientists now fear that not only will their programs be unbalanced but that funds scheduled for scientific projects will be diverted to pay for the search. Many scientists contend that this happened following the search for the sunken submarine Thresher. The Navy contends that the Thresher search was charged to normal operations, and it says the underwater portion of the H-bomb search will be similarly written off. Oceanographers, however, charge that much of the Thresher bill was footed by normal oceanography operations.

Studies planned by the Defense Dept.'s Advanced Research Projects Agency and at least one phase of an Arms Control Agency field exercise, designed to spot illegal nuclear weapons, have been curtailed by the need for equipment and personnel in Spain. The major disruption most clearly linked to the H-bomb search is the postponement of acoustic-positioning and precision ocean-floor photographic experiments that were to have been made at the Tongue of the Ocean underwater range. The Naval Research Laboratory’s research vessel Mizar was to have conducted the experiments. However, it has been sent to Spain to join the bomb search.

It was necessary to remove from the Mizar the carefully installed acoustic-positioning system and to change crews. The new crew consists in large part of the same crew that searched for the Thresher. The Mizar was hurriedly re-outfitted with search gear, including pingers and acoustic transponders, side-looking sonar and underwater TV.

Previously the deep-submergence vessels Alvin and Aluminaut had been diverted from other programs to search for the lost bomb.

Automatic air recon near reality

Aerial reconnaissance photo scanners that virtually "teach themselves" what to look for are approaching reality. Pattern-recognition scanners have been used for several years, but they can be programed to recognize only a few clear-cut patterns. Others, called comparison scanners, have been developed to spot differences between today's film strip and yesterday's film of the same area.

Now, however, adaptive pattern-recognition techniques are about to be applied to scanners that will be programed to recognize several general concepts and to proceed from there to spot variations in the taught patterns. The development could mean a major refitting of intelligence and reconnaissance units.

In the meantime one Army laboratory engaged primarily in developments for limited and special warfare is experimenting with novel non-electronic methods in recon work. As a starter, the lab has taught a number of pigeons to recognize the shapes and tones that most often represent trucks on an aerial photo. Pigeons peering at a slowly moving film strip peck at each truck with graphite-rubbed beaks. An officer says: "We haven't completely gone back to nature, though. The graphite dots on the film strips still are read electronically."

Capitol committees prepare to act

A few Congressional committees have completed their hearings on this year's major legislation and soon will begin the behind-the-scenes "marking-up" of bills. Other committees are well on the way toward this, the crucial point in any bill's legislative history. It is at this point—after the public hearings and before the final vote—that the letters and telegrams help most to decide a program's fate.

Here are the Congressional committees, or key subcommittees, of prime importance to the electronics industry, as well as to individual engineers or scientists.

SENATE

Appropriations is the committee that makes or breaks any program. The committee chairman is the "dean" of the Senate, Arizona's Carl Hayden. Leverett Saltonstall of Massachusetts is the ranking minority
The committee's chief clerk is Thomas J. Scott.

Before a program reaches the Appropriations Committee, it goes first through an "authorizing committee" that determines which programs will be authorized—and which will not—and the maximum funds that can be spent. The Appropriations Committee cannot add programs and cannot exceed set money limits. It very often reduces programs by voting somewhat less than the maximum authorization, and it sometimes kills programs by voting a "zero" appropriation.

The Senate Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee is under the chairmanship of New Mexico's Clinton P. Anderson. Margaret Chase Smith of Maine is the ranking minority member. James J. Gehrig is the committee's staff director.

The Armed Services Committee chairman is Richard B. Russell of Georgia. Leverett Saltonstall of Massachusetts is the ranking minority member. The committee's chief clerk is Charles B. Kirbow.

Other Senate committees that delve into electronics areas to some degree are Commerce (Warren G. Magnuson of Washington, chairman) Government Operations (John L. McClellan of Arkansas, chairman) and Post Office and Civil Service (A. S. Mike Monroney of Oklahoma, chairman).

The House Appropriations Committee is under the chairmanship of George H. Mahon of Texas. As former chairman of the Subcommittee on Defense, he retains a strong interest in military appropriations. Frank T. Bow of Ohio is the ranking minority member. The committee clerk is Kenneth Sprankle.

The Armed Services Committee is headed by L. Mendel Rivers of South Carolina. William H. Bates of Massachusetts is the ranking minority member. The committee's chief counsel is John R. Blandford. The Science and Astronautics Committee chairman is George P. Miller of California. Joseph W. Martin Jr. of Massachusetts is the ranking minority member. The committee's executive director is Charles F. Ducander.

Other House committees that interest themselves from time to time in electronics include Government Operations (William L. Dawson of Illinois, chairman) Interstate and Foreign Commerce (Harley O. Staggers of West Virginia, chairman) and Post Office and Civil Service (Tom Murray of Tennessee, chairman).

The chairmanship of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy alternates between the ranking majority Senator and ranking majority Representative. The present chairman is Rep. Chet Holifield of California. The vice chairman (and next chairman) is Sen. John O. Pastore of Rhode Island. The executive director of the committee is John T. Conway.

All Senators and Representatives can be reached by mail. Sample address forms are: Sen. John Doe, United States Senate, Washington, D. C.; or Hon. James Jones, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. To reach any Congressman by telephone, call CAPitol 4-3121 in Washington (Area Code 202). All elected officials urge communications not only from constituents but also from non-constituents whose field of interest is covered by a committee of which the Senator or Representative is a member.

**New group pushes industry's interests**

A new association, headquartered in the Capital, has been formed to promote the use of private industry resources to support essential Federal Government activities. The National Council of Technical Service Industries, as the association is called, was formed, in part, "to point up that private industry can maintain complex systems and equipments more efficiently and at a cost lower than civil service employees." The membership of the new group already includes large defense contractors.

**Airlines adding radar-beacon equipment**

The results of a survey by the Air Transport Association indicate that the scheduled airlines of the U.S. are rapidly fitting their aircraft with add-on elements of the FAA's new semi-automatic air traffic control radar equipment.

When an aircraft is fully equipped with the system, its transponder will respond with its own discrete code when interrogated by ground equipment installed at the FAA route traffic-control centers. This code will then be displayed on the ground controller's radar scope to identify the aircraft. The same signal will also contain data on the aircraft's altitude.

The airlines' response to the ATA survey indicates that by the beginning of 1968 some 60 per cent of the turbine fleet will be equipped to give discrete identity, while 17 per cent will also be able to report altitude automatically to the ground. By 1970 virtually all turbine-powered aircraft will be able to give discrete identity.
Cascode With FETs?
A parody on tubethinking, circa 1943

A single triode tube was usually avoided in wide-band circuits or pulse applications because Miller effect capacitance seriously loaded the input. Then came the cascade scheme, lower noise, practically no more input capacitance than the tube's Cgk. Using FETs in cascade, you have a striking reduction in input C.

With shunt peaking, the circuit shown offers a voltage gain of 10 with a 3 db bandwidth over 6 mc.

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Yes, the arrow is pointing the right way; the 2N3368 is one of 27 new N-Channel FETs from Siliconix!

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Data system has automatic error detection

A new system for transmitting data between a central computer and remote points features high speed and automatic error detection and correction.

Developed by the Tally Corp., the System 311 incorporates a paper tape perforator, a reader and electronic logic circuits, and can be used to either send or receive over ordinary telephone lines. Operating at 1200 words per minute, the System 311 is reportedly the fastest paper tape data transmission system now on the market.

A major feature of the new system is its ability to recognize transmission errors, such as those caused by phone line static or fading, and to re-transmit them correctly. Equipment with this capability has been available on the market. But according to Tally officials, the combination of error correction, speed and price makes their system unique.

Parity-type error detection is used in the System 311. Either odd or even parity can be selected, depending on the requirements of the user. When a parity error is detected in a transmitted character, that character is deleted. The tape being sent then automatically reverses so that the block of characters containing the one with the error is retransmitted. If an error again appears in the same block, the process is repeated. But should an error occur in the same block a third time, that block will be sent on the fourth pass regardless of whether or not an error again occurs.

Computer wires chip with discretion

An experimental computer determines how to best interconnect 80 circuits on a silicon wafer and then it connects them.

Faulty circuits are automatically bypassed in this system, designed by Dr. Sol Triebwasser at the research division of IBM. The function to be performed by the finished array, the test results of the individual circuits, the maximum connection length and other data are fed into the computer. It determines an acceptable pattern and records it on a magnetic tape. This tape controls a movable table and a light shutter that regulate a beam of light. The light polymerizes the photoresist on the wafer mounted on the table. This wafer is then developed and the interconnections are made using standard metal etching techniques.

Dr. Triebwasser said that the computer program should be capable of handling many more than 80 circuits on a wafer. This program is then a step toward producing wafers of hundreds of circuits with good yields.

Dr. Triebwasser described his system at the International Solid-State Circuits Conference, where he showed sample arrays of 80 interconnected circuits produced by the process. Each circuit contained five field-effect transistors connected as a four-input NOR gate. According to Triebwasser, the computer interconnection program is also applicable to bipolar transistor circuits.

Novel ground station records weather pictures

A rolling pin and a rubber band are two of the items used by an RCA engineer in his "do it yourself" ground station for receiving weather pictures from TIROS satellites.

Wendell Anderson built his station in the basement of his home just to prove that it could be done. The basic piece of equipment used was an old (1938 vintage) "ham" receiver. To this, Anderson added about $250 worth of ordinary electronic components. The antenna is a piece of TV-type twin-lead stretched across the roof of Mr. Anderson's home.

A small home-type tape recorder is used to record the signals from the satellite. For processing the signals onto film, Anderson uses a $15 microscope and an argon electric light bulb that together transfer the signal from the tape recorder onto an 8- by 10-inch sheet of Royal X Pan film.

The film is wrapped around a cylinder made from an ordinary rolling pin, and is cushioned for smooth rotation by a rubber band. A small ($10) electric motor rotates the cylinder, while another identical motor drives it horizontally at a very slow pace. As a result, the microscope and argon bulb register on the film the numerous lines that make up the weather picture.
The need for an accurate, reliable statistical recorder was established by USAF's Aircraft Structural Integrity Program which began about seven years ago.

The answer comes in a new instrumentation package developed by Giannini Controls Corporation. Called DASR (Data Acquisition and Statistical Recorder), it defines accurately the G-load history of an aircraft:

1. It counts the number of times an airframe encounters a pre-selected value of G-load.
2. It correlates and records these events only at pre-selected levels of altitude, speed, time and acceleration as shown in the illustration.
3. It produces a tape record that can cover 50 hours of G-history in a 5-minute playback.

The DASR records data in digital form on magnetic tape compatible with IBM data processing equipment.

An important part of the Giannini package is the computer built with Signetics SE400 integrated circuits. These Signetics circuits were selected because they provide high speed at very low power. The feature element in the series is the SE424 five-megacycle dual binary element which operates on less than 9mW per flip flop. The entire SE400 Series operates on 20% to 40% less power than comparable elements while providing equal or better speed and noise immunity. Other elements in the series are:

- SE480 — a quadruple 2-input NAND gate, each gate having the fan-out capability of the flip flop, 7 DC or 2 AC loads.
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LATEST COMMERCIAL HIGH-SPEED DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM USES SIGNETICS UTILOGIC

The increasing application of large computers as central processors in industrial operations is making accurate, high-speed data acquisition systems more important than ever before. One of the most recent of these systems to become commercially available is the SOLAR System (Serialized On-Line Automatic Recording), designed and produced by Data Pathing Inc. of Palo Alto, California.

The basic system consists of a programmed receiver incorporating a magnetic recorder and fifteen transmitters which may be located at widely separated points and interconnected by a single pair of wires. Up-to-the-minute reports on material movement, work-in-process, machine and operator utilization, order location, inventory, etc., can be magnetically recorded at the receiver for later processing, or routed from the receiver to a central processor for immediate analysis.

The system logic is implemented with Signetics LU-Series Utilogic elements, selected for their high noise immunity, capacitive drive capability, and the ease with which they interface. The low cost per function and the very high functional density provided by Utilogic have made it economically and physically feasible to incorporate system design features that would otherwise be prohibitive. Among the self-checking features incorporated in DPI's SOLAR system:

1. An active visual display at each transmitter which tells the operator exactly what data is wanted and the order in which to enter it via a simple ten-key board.
2. An immediate check on transmission accuracy.
3. A continuing check on transmitter condition which automatically removes a defective transmitter from the line and signals for the maintenance man.

To date, no Utilogic element failures have been reported in either the earliest prototypes or the first production models of the SOLAR System. One particular feature of Utilogic elements which has won DPI's unqualified approval has been a number of practical demonstrations that they are, indeed, immune to damage by accidental shorts. The type of "probe accident" or "debugging error" that commonly causes a continual loss of discrete semiconductor devices in new systems development has no effect on Utilogic.

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The standard Model 850A is equipped to test every known integrated circuit on today's market, including some recently introduced 16-terminal devices. The 850A is manually programmable from a keyboard supplied as standard equipment. Entry of new programs or program additions can be made at any time, even while testing is in progress. It provides Go/No-Go readout and has facilities for optional addition of DVM readout and data logging equipment. The system design makes use of the Signetics Utilogic line of commercial/industrial integrated circuits. The drum memory uses the firm's new linear circuit, the SE505 general purpose differential amplifier.

The standard 850A is priced at $44,000, with deliveries approximately 120 days after receipt of order.

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In a move to make integrated circuit data sheets into truly workable tools for design engineers, Signetics has produced a unique set of data sheets for their SE100 J-Series of HI REL DTL circuits. The new data sheets provide clearly defined and guaranteed worst case design limits of immediate use to the systems designer. Noise margins, speed and fan-out are guaranteed from -55°C to +125°C under worst case power supply and temperature differentials between driving and driven units.

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NEW DUAL IN-LINE PLUG-IN PACKAGE FEATURES DTL IC'S

Signetics' new SP600 series comes in a unique monolithic package. A solid epoxy block encapsulates both the circuit chip and the leads connecting it to the external plug-in pins. The new package contains two rows of pins 300 mils apart and spaced on 100 mil centers, conforming to widely accepted circuit board drill patterns.

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Signetics SP600 series includes a J-K flip-flop, three multiple DTL gate packages (dual, triple and quadruple NAND/NOR), a quadruple gate-input expander, and a dual DTL line driver/buffer element. The SP600 series circuits are now in stock at Signetics distributors.

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Automatic flaw spotter due for big radio dishes

ACME, to be tested by NASA on 85-foot tracking antenna in North Carolina, detects structural changes with a photosensor and laser.

Ralph Dobriner
West Coast Editor

ACME, an automatic surveying system designed to detect structural defects on the surface of large radio antennas, is scheduled for preliminary field tests within a year.

Under development at ITT Federal Laboratories in San Fernando, Calif., ACME, which stands for Antenna Contour Measuring Equipment, will be delivered to NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center. It will be installed at the 85-foot STADAN (Satellite Tracking and Data Network) antenna at Rosman, N.C.

The idea for ACME was born a number of years ago when NASA engineers became increasingly concerned with manufacturers' and users' ability to hold the surface tolerances of large-dish tracking antennas. These tolerances are especially critical for the fast-scanning microwave antennas used to track space vehicles near the earth. Shocks resulting from sudden surges of the antenna platform's servo motors, as well as natural phenomena—such as earth shocks, wind and temperature variations—can seriously degrade the performance of the antenna system.

Other surveying techniques tried

Previously, standard surveying techniques had been used periodically to check antenna surfaces, but this was generally a time-consuming and relatively inaccurate technique. It was then decided to switch to photogrammetry—photographing the surface of the antenna—a technique that achieved high accuracy and good results. But here, too, it takes about two weeks to get back data. NASA engineers wanted a system with a “quick turn-around time,” and ACME seemed to be the answer.

The system is designed to run a check on an antenna in 20 minutes to an hour, depending on the number of points that need checking.

According to a NASA spokes-

man, the photogrammetric approach will still be used, with ACME as an alternate technique when quick readings are required. The equipment will ride along on the antenna structure and will be used whenever there is reason to believe that structural changes have occurred.

The ACME equipment (Fig. 1) consists of a photoelectric sensor placed at the vertex of the parabolic surface of the antenna. The sensor is mounted on a two-axis (elevation-azimuth) platform and is equipped with precision-angle encoders.

Antenna contour “bench marks,” consisting of about 1100 retro-directive corner cube reflectors, will be mounted over the surface of the dish. The beam from a gallium arsenide laser source, located within the sensor housing, is reflected sequentially from the reflector targets.

Accuracy of ±5 arc seconds

A punched-tape input automatically points the platform assembly at the targets and measures the angular coordinates of each target by means of the photoelectric sensor and the angle encoders. The angular coordinates of the targets are measured relative to the vertex, with one axis parallel to the symmetry of the antenna (elevation angles) and the other perpendicular to it (azimuth angles). The system will be designed to make these measurements with an accuracy of ±5 seconds of arc.

As shown in Fig. 2, the punched-tape input, which expresses each target position in ten-thousandths of a degree, is fed into the tape reader and then into the format converter, which changes the information into normal binary code. This positional information is compared in the stepper-drive logic module with the output of a 19-bit, binary-coded, shaft-position encoder. When the difference between the two binary numbers is small enough to indicate that the photoelectric sensor is pointing at the target, and a target presence signal is obtained, the stepper motors stop. The sensor dwells on each target for about 3 seconds.

The output of the photoelectric sensor is converted from analog to digital information, and it is used with the encoder outputs to give the
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absolute position of the target with respect to the fixed reference. These binary positions are then converted in another format converter to the desired output format, and they are punched out on paper tape.

If desired, each target can be held as long as needed and the error signals from the photoelectric sensor can be monitored on a recorder for vibration analysis.

Standard star tracker used

The photoelectric angle sensor is a version of ITT's standard star tracker, consisting of a lens system, multiplier phototube, track-scan generators, signal processors and a power supply. The sensor provides two analog output signals, which are directly proportional to the angular displacement of the target from each of two orthogonal planes, whose intersection is the boresight, or null axis, of the sensor. Thus, when the target lies on this intersection, the output error signals are each zero.

A 20-inch-focal-length lens in the sensor is capable of viewing the reflector targets at a maximum distance of 40 feet (the outside perimeter of the dish) and a minimum of 5 feet from the vertex.

A NASA official said that if the field trials at the Rosman site prove satisfactory, it is planned to install ACME throughout the NASA tracking net, including its 40-foot dishes.

ACME (Antenna Contour Measuring Equipment) system, under development at ITT Federal Laboratories, will be installed at NASA's 85-foot tracking antenna at Rosman, N. C.

Prototype Apollo camera delivered to NASA

Engineers at the Westinghouse Defense and Space Center have delivered a prototype television camera to NASA.

This camera is the forerunner of one to be used by Apollo astronauts to send pictures back to Earth from the moon. According to the project engineers the camera can be easily converted to color operation.
40-dB null depth in Apollo tracker

A high-gain telemetry monopulse array antenna, said to have a null depth down to 40 dB, will be used aboard sea-going vessels to track Apollo moonships.

Developed by the Cubic Corp. of San Diego, the antenna is a 24-element cross-dipole array that operates in the 215-MHz-to-265-MHz range. Reportedly, the antenna has a VSWR of less than 1.2 to 1 and a gain in excess of 22 dB.

The array is capable of operating the vertical and horizontal linear modes of polarization, as well as circular polarization. The type of polarization used is remotely selectable by the operator.

According to a Cubic spokesman, actual measured radiation patterns show side-lobe levels of more than 17 dB down for the sum channel, with the difference channel having only vestigial lobes to well beyond the second side lobe in the sum channel.

The difference-channel nulls, the spokesman noted, are all more than 40 dB below the sum-channel peak. The axial ratio encountered over the frequency range for either righthand or lefthand circular polarization is less than 0.5 dB.
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Westinghouse electric transit system for cities runs on tracks and is controlled automatically by wayside computers at speeds from a crawl to 50 mph.

Roger Kenneth Field
News Editor

"Any community that thinks...it can assure mobility on schedule for large masses of people without rapid transit...is suffering from that 20th-century opiate of the people—the private automobile. A community may buy buses and lay highways until it is blue in the face, but will not have mobility until substantial numbers of its public-transit vehicles ride on exclusive rights-of-way."—Leland Hazard, chairman of the Rapid Transit Committee of the Port Authority of Allegheny County, Pa., in his keynote address at the recent First International Conference on Urban Transportation in Pittsburgh.

The managers of some cities have reacted to Hazard's statement by pointing out that manually controlled subway systems are far too expensive for all but the biggest cities. "Design a new subway and make it attractive and cheap," they say.

To see how one electronics manufacturer is responding to this critical transit need, and to assess the industry's role in what could be a multi-billion-dollar industry, ELECTRONIC DESIGN visited the experimental track of the Westinghouse Sky Bus in South Park, outside of Pittsburgh (see photo 1).

I went for a ride around the test track with Ray Fields, head of the Sky Bus project; Don Little, designer of the unique control system, and Dixie Howell, lead project engineer. Fields explained that the Sky Bus is for use by cities with populations as small as 300,000. The trains require no motorman or conductor, and, in fact, the whole system can run perfectly with but a single person monitoring the console of a remote central computer.

The Sky Bus is powered by two 60-horsepower dc motors in each car. Small digital computers placed at the wayside control approaching trains and monitor departing trains. Should a computer fail, the computer at an adjacent station on the line controls approaching and departing trains, and service continues uninterrupted.

A smooth, rubber ride

The cars have double sets of rubber tires that roll smoothly on concrete tracks. The designer used large thyristors to control the speed of the motors. Acceleration is smooth, yet brisk. As an experienced city subway rider, accustomed to lurches, I was pleasantly surprised at the absence of them in the Sky Bus.

The computer at the target station controls the effective dc to the motors by triggering the thyristors during a desired part of each cycle of the three-phase supply current (photo 2). This current enters the car through a set of brushes that contact the bottoms of the three-phase power rails (photo 3). The wayside computers can control the train from full speed to a crawl and can bring it to a halt within a few inches of its target alongside the platform.

In addition to accelerating the cars, the dc motors also do most of the braking. Giant open-wound resistors shunt across the armature to brake the train and bring it to very slow speeds. The final braking is done by air brakes because the shunted-motor braking effect decreases as the armature speed decreases. The air brakes, then, are needed to prevent creeping.

In a typical installation one large Westinghouse Prodac 550 computer oversees the small wayside computers, and one person monitors its main console (photo 4). A loop on the console reproduces in diagram the layout of the track, and lights give the monitor a visual indication of the positions of all trains.

Trains can leave a station every two minutes. The Prodac 550 even decides how many cars each train needs to accommodate passengers waiting on stations up the line. The

1. The Westinghouse Sky Bus rolls quietly through South Park controlled completely by computers. Its dual rubber tires run on two concrete tracks that are supported by steel "I" beams. Two dc motors propel each car.
2. One of the thyristors that enable the computers to control train speed by regulating the effective dc power.

Westinghouse project team has designed a special set of tracks that enables the computer to direct the coupling of these cars without a single attendant. This is why fine control of the crawl speed is important, Little pointed out.

The cars are coupled both mechanically and electrically. Each couple contains a giant connector. The connector is shielded from the atmospheric elements by a plate, and when one couple presses against another, the shield retracts. Howell pressed the plate to expose the connector (photo 5).

Fields, dressed in a dark, pin-striped suit, held a light while we crawled under the bus to get a picture of the unusual antenna that transmits information via a track wire to the nearest wayside computer. (photo 6). A transmitter aboard the train continuously informs the computers of the status of a number of sensors on the cars. These sensors measure train speed, acceleration, card load, wheel slippage, motor over-load, air-brake drag, air-brake pressure and low line voltage.

Fail-safe action provided

Fields said that the designers of the system has programmed the computer to take appropriate action for any failure. It might simply inform the console attendant of minor irregularities, but it would also pull the main power switch and apply all emergency brakes in case of a serious malfunction. Howell stressed another safety feature inherent in the design of the Sky Bus: four pairs of guide wheels, backed with steel plates, keep the cars on the tracks (photo 7).

I found the Sky Bus system aesthetically attractive. The cars, less than one-fourth the weight of standard subway cars, have clean, modern lines. The tracks and their supports do not mar the landscape, and they are not nearly as expensive as standard railroad supports. The Sky Bus can travel either overhead or on or below the ground at speeds up to 50 mph. It is silent and fume-free.

For cities, the cost factor should be important, too. Operation of the transit system requires very few people. And because there are no computers aboard the trains—they just take orders from the wayside computers—cars are not laden with expensive electronic gear.

The train I rode in worked well even with ice on the tracks.

This project demonstrates just one of a number of approaches to the mass-transit problem. Other manufacturers offer approaches that differ considerably from the Sky Bus. Their designs include alternative track material, car size, propulsion systems and track configurations. But all use electronic controls.
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An unsalable, prototype Westinghouse Prodac 50 computer has been put to work screening out wiring errors in production models of the computer.

Engineers at the Westinghouse Research and Development Center in Pittsburgh designed the Prodac 50 (Process Digital Automatic Control) to solve traffic and production problems. The prototype is now riddled with the external signs of improvements, in comparison with its trimly packaged production mates.

Each vertical panel on the computer contains 16 cards, with 16 hand-soldered connections on each card. There are 256 chances for error during the wiring procedure, according to Bates Murphy, head of the Westinghouse computer engineer team.

Even though the wirers receive step-by-step instructions, the contact pins play tricks with their eyes after a few hours of work. Formerly another employee spent three days checking to see that every connection was properly made. But the checker had no way of knowing if extra connections had been made by error.

Now the original version of the Prodac 50 checks all connections and reports any that have been overlooked. In addition it reports all extraneous ones. The total time for a complete check has been reduced to under one-half hour, including hook-up time.

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**Radio opening supply 'chutes in Vietnam**

One of the newest Air Force developments for achieving highly accurate parachute supply drops in Vietnam is the 'chute popper—a system that enables a ground observer to open a parachute by pushing a radio button.

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back pack of a standard Army field telephone is used to activate the 'chute popper or Ground-Controlled Parachute Deployment System, as it is officially called. By pushing a button on the control unit, the ground observer transmits a radio signal to a command receiver on the parachute harness. The receiver, in turn, activates an explosive charge, which blows apart a line that keeps the parachute from inflating.

The same field telephone unit is used to get in touch with the aircraft and guide the drop from the ground.

According to officials of Canoga Electronics of Chatsworth, Calif., developers of the 'chute popper, the device operates on a digitally programmable frequency to insure that it will not be activated by any other electronic signal.

Electronics in medicine still challenges engineers

"You're just going to have to learn new terms" said Dr. S. Fine of Northeastern University to a panel on Biomedical Electronics at the recent international Solid State Circuits Conference. Dr. Fine was talking about the many problems faced by the engineers and doctors engaged in the growing field of biomedical electronics.

L. D. Wechsler of General Electric maintained that many of the bio-medical electronics problems that exist today can be attacked with existing electronic technologies and that there is a definite need for many more electronic specialists to work in this area. Problems involved in pattern recognition, ultrasonic and feedback control of prosthetic devices (artificial arms, legs, etc.) are the domain of the electronic specialist and he already has the tools needed to solve them, according to Weschler.

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SPECIFICATIONS

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- Pull-in: 22 milliseconds average
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- Pull-in: 22 milliseconds average
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MOS FETs are fast enough for RF, semiconductor manufacturer asserts

Sir:
We commend you for an excellent article on MOS FET's in the Jan. 18, 1966 ELECTRONIC DESIGN issue (p 22). This was a most difficult task, because each manufacturer, naturally, would be biased in his approach. However, in all fairness to the industry, we desire to go on record in correcting a few narrow viewpoints reported in the article.

In particular, we respond to the quotation of Mr. Recklinghausen of H. H. Scott [who prefers junction FETs for RF applications]. KMC Semiconductor Corporation was the first company to announce commercially available 200 and 450 MHz operational MOS transistors. These devices have transconductance cutoff frequencies of 1200 and 1500 MHz, respectively. These are n-channel, full gate, depletion MOS transistors. We also manufacture p-channel enhancement devices. The noise figure and power gain are comparable to the best silicon bipolar transistors on the market. A high transconductance vhf geometry MOS has been used in broadband circuits in the range of 30 to 220 MHz and in narrow-band circuits over the frequency range of 2 to 220 MHz. Other RF applications include single-ended and balanced mixers, oscillators and IF amplifiers. During 1965 prototype sampling totaled 5000 transistors for RF designs.

The field returns due to mishandling (the solder iron and electrostatic damages) were approximately one-half of one per cent. MOS transistors in the vhf range will improve CATV performance.

Present reliability data on operating (150 MW) and storage (200°C) life indicate a MTBF of better than 40,000 hours. Techniques on surface stabilization have been responsible for this reliability.

Microwave mixer diodes and germanium mesa transistors are prone to pulse burnout and electrostatic damage. However, present-day equipment incorporates these devices. Tunnel diodes required an education in handling, which is true of any new device.

In summary, the MOS transistor is fast enough for RF performance, and the electrostatic problems are being solved. With regard to its frequency response, McIntosh of Westinghouse Research Labs predicts 10 GHz operation with a MOS design. Eventually the MOS will surpass the bipolar transistor and electron tube in frequency response.

PAUL E. KOLK
Vice President of Engineering
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Long Valley, N. J.

Recklinghausen replies

Sir:
I fully grant to Mr. Kolk that KMC Semiconductor Corporation was the first company to announce vhf field-effect transistors. I also grant that MOS transistors can have a noise figure and power gain comparable to silicon bipolar transistors. I feel, furthermore, that a prediction of 10 GHz operation for MOS transistors may be possible in the future. However, I feel that more advantageous results, including shf, can be obtained with junction-type FETs.

As a figure of merit, the best measure is the ratio of transconductance to capacitance. The insulating layer between the gate and the active region of a MOS can be thought of as an element that either increases the interelectrode capacitance or decreases the effective field applied to the channel. This reduces the high-frequency figure of merit for an MOS transistor.

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DANIEL R. VON RECKLINGHAUSEN
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Maynard, Mass.

A further defense of engineer licensing

Sir:
I read with interest your editorial "The Engineer's License--Is It Worth It?" (Nov. 8, 1965, p. 18).

When you use the term "license," I must assume you are speaking of the stationary engineer, who receives a license to perform a prescribed task by paying a fee. The engineer is registered as a professional, capable of exercising judgment based upon a suitable education, both formal and informal, including experience. The purpose of engineering registration is to protect the public and, we hope, nothing else. I feel that in my professional life I have had a greater effect on the health and well-being of more people than a dozen average medical doctors, and I think this is not unusual for a Professional Engineer.

In my opinion, many of the people who consider themselves electronic engineers are primarily technicians who should not be allowed to make engineering decisions, until they have satisfied the broad requirements of a Professional Engineer.

Take, for example, your magazine, which persists in using the symbol for an electrical contact to represent a capacitor. There are many standards in the United States, and all agree upon the proper symbol for a capacitor. Any technician in the field has the right, when examining devices or working on equipment, to assume that the drawings for this equipment have been prepared in accordance with existing national standards. Consider, then, the unfortunate man in the field who assumes that this device shown as a pair of parallel lines is a harmless switch contact, when in reality it is a lethally charged capacitor.

The Professional Engineer has included in his training a knowledge of ethics, economics and regard for public safety, in addition to his theoretical technical knowledge. This training allows him to use the efforts of the technician in preparing devices and systems which, in addition to being technically feasible, are safe an in accordance with generally accepted principles of workmanship, etc.

I cannot speak for the engineering examinations in all states; however, it is my understanding that the Illinois examination is typical of that given in many states and far from being obsolete. It is
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prepared twice a year, to include a wide variety of subjects, necessary for a knowledge of engineering.

No doubt there will be incompetents who manage to pass this examination. In my years of observing members of this profession, I find these incompetents typically are those who are specialists in a very narrow field.

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Sir:

Maria Dekany's Nov. 8 editorial espousing liberalism ("The Engineer's License—Is It Worth It?") should be reviewed with a questioning attitude.

The public must be protected, and licensing by law is an accepted method. The purpose of the laws is not as stated in the editorial. High standards and ethical practice are secondary results.

All engineers—although they may be considered specialists by their contemporaries—are not necessarily professionals. It is conceivable, from the standpoint of public responsibility, that many are incompetent.

Very few designs or systems in which the public is involved are so "pure" that they can be evaluated by a specialist in one field only.

A doctor of medicine must be knowledgeable in a great many phases of medical practice. He can, if he chooses, be a specialist.

Professional engineers are likewise obligated.

RAY SUMMERER
Grand Blanc, Mich.

The editorial did not advocate liberalization of the examination required to obtain the license. Rather it urged improvements in the examination. The suggestions were based on a survey of working engineers and consultants, and it reflected the opinion of the majority.

Nor are working engineers alone in calling for improvements. A group of illustrious educators indicated their support of this goal at the annual meeting of the Association of the Engineering Colleges, held in Buffalo, N. Y. Prof. R. C. King, chairman of the State Board of Examiners of Professional Engineers and Surveyors, said: "Part III of the examination should be increased from four to eight hours, since it is considered to be of major importance. A longer time would allow broader coverage, giving op-
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Another advocate of a new transistor code

Sir:
To renew an old controversy about transistor coding, let me suggest a hypothetical situation. Let's imagine ourselves about ten years in the future.

A new transistor, designated the 2N35564, has been recently introduced. This npn germanium device has a minimum current gain of 500, a C-E breakdown of 1000 V, a cutoff frequency of 10 GHz, is capable of dissipating 100 watts and is packaged in a stud-mounted TO-43 case.

Now let's consider what useful information is revealed by the type number of this amazing device. All we find is that this high gain, high voltage, high frequency, high power transistor had been registered just after the 2N35563, and just before the 2N35565.

The fact is that we have accepted and are existing with an inferior system of transistor coding, simply because it was an extension of an equally inferior system of diode coding. There is still some confusion about the properties of many popular types.

I believe that a parameter or characteristic coding system for semiconductor devices will benefit the majority of people concerned with these devices.

Let's standardize and implement such a system now. We should be able to distinguish an npn from a pnp, a silicon from a germanium, a high gain from a low gain, a unijunction from an SCR or from a FET, a signal diode from a rectifier, a tunnel diode from a unitunnel and a 5-V Zener from a 9-V Zener.

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It's the engineer's job to bring order out of chaos

Why is the electronic design engineer forced to use non-uniform and often incomplete specification sheets for components, instruments and other equipment? Why does he have to operate with a meaningless transistor coding system? Why does he have to look forward to the same type of coding for microcircuits? Why is he forced to make up his own specification sheets or call in competitive salesmen if he wants to obtain all the design data he needs on devices and equipment? These were some of the questions we asked in our survey of engineering societies, trade associations and working engineers (see page 86).

There were good reasons for asking these questions. Problems of uniform test procedures, standard specifications, and meaningful coding systems are not unique to the electronics industry. In the metals field, for example, similar problems existed. As the number of processes and alloying techniques grew, engineers were not fully aware of the variety of metals available, and they found it hard to predict what they would receive when they ordered. Thus, they weren't able to design intelligently. Despite the seemingly impossible task of bringing order out of this chaos, the job was done. Manuals were written to describe the processes in use, their effects on properties, and the effects of different alloying agents.

Our industry's failure to achieve similar results must be blamed, to a great extent, on the engineer himself. Manufacturers can not come up with new specification ideas, uniform test procedures for similar devices, or standardized spec sheets without active participation by engineer-users. And here is where the trouble lies. Most engineers do not communicate effectively with manufacturers, even though several channels exist.

The designer complains to his peers, and to his superiors, but he generally doesn't use the right avenues to his suppliers. Complaints to salesmen may occasionally filter back to the manufacturer, but, if they refer to non-competitive industry-wide practices, little action results.

The answer, we believe, lies in the attitudes we found engineers to have toward technical societies. They are looked upon as "clubs for engineers," where members can get together at least once a year and exchange information. Most engineers have little interest in the policy-making machinery of technical societies. Yet these societies do have subcommittees that work closely with trade associations or other manufacturer groups. Engineers should get involved with these groups, attend meetings, voice their complaints. Societies usually welcome worthwhile suggestions from members.

If these attempts are made without success, then it is time to consider opening new channels of communication. Perhaps another organization could be formed to establish requirements for uniform data for design.

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Cover: Unified S-band antenna for Apollo moon missions. Built by Collins Radio Co., the antenna will be used with the Apollo tracking/communication system. Space communications is covered in technical sessions 27 and 67.
Here are some technical paper highlights as seen through the 'keyhole.' A complete index of program papers by specialty starts on p 94.

With over 300 papers and more than a dozen panel discussions, this year's technical program again offers something for everyone and a lot for most. Representatives from industry, Government and the academic world will cover subjects as esoteric as "Ultrasound Analysis of Implanted Cardiac Prosthetic Valves" and as practical as "The Design of High-Performance, Active RC Bandpass Filters."

Even a cursory analysis of such a large and diverse program is impractical. So, instead, here are some of the broadly applicable technical areas and highlights of typical papers within those areas:

**Communications**

For those interested in communications and related topics, the papers span the range from deep-sea diver communications and their problems to interplanetary spacecraft telecommunications systems. Commercial broadcasting, telephone and

Mariner IV completed its flight to the vicinity of Mars on July 14, 1965 and sent back photographs and other measurements of the "red" planet. Its 10-watt telemetry transmitter spanned the unprecedented distance of 300 million kilometers in telemetering the data back to earth. (paper 67.2)
Progress in deep-space probes

A review of the progress in developing interplanetary spacecraft telecommunication systems will be presented by G. A. Reiff of NASA. He will describe the systems and techniques used for the Pioneer and Mariner space vehicles, which have contributed greatly to our knowledge of multi-million-mile radio communication.

The NASA representative feels that if performance in this field continues to increase at the same rate that it has in the last six years, it will soon be possible to transmit large quantities of information from the surface of Mars or to communicate with spacecraft flying in the vicinity of the outer planets. The proposed installation of 100-kw transmitters and 210-foot antennas at ground sites is expected to advance the present capability.

Interplanetary Spacecraft Telecommunication Systems (67.2, Fr. a.m. SN)

Man-made noise analyzed

Unintentionally generated man-made radio noise will be analyzed quantitatively in a paper by E. N. Skomal. The analysis is based on the statistical properties of two electrical noise models, one covering the frequency range of 10 Hz to 20 MHz, and the other from 100 to 500 MHz. A comparison of the theoretical results with available experimental data show the two to be in agreement.

The proposed mechanism of noise generation for the higher frequency interval assumes that the man-made noise arises from randomly occurring narrow pulses. In the model for the higher frequency interval, it is assumed that the noise pulses form a train of independent events having an average frequency of occurrence, $v$. For both models the attenuation is assumed to be that applicable to radio transmission over irregular terrain from low antenna heights.

Analysis of the Frequency Dependence of Man-Made Radio Noise (65.5, Fri. a.m. T)

Modular vs. integrated UHF converter

A comparison of the modular and integrated approaches to UHF converter design will be given by H. M. Weil and F. S. Coale. The modular design, using separate components connected by RF connectors and cables, is less expensive in small quantities, and is easier to test and repair. But, the authors point out, various frequency and impedance problems can often occur at the interfaces between components.

An integrated design would use only one assembly, with one component integrated to the next without connectors. Optimum impedance levels and appropriate reference planes could then be chosen. A telemetry converter designed by the authors is described as representing a first step toward complete integration. The converter em-

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Thin-film polycrystalline solar cells are now under development at RCA Laboratories. (paper 77.2)

ploys an integrated microwave frequency translator that converts the 2.2-to-2.3-GHz telemetry band to the 215-to-315-MHz band.

A UHF Telemetry Converter Employing Integrated Microwave Circuits (45.3, Wed. p.m. R)

Control Systems

The papers to be presented on control systems and related subjects strike a balance between theoretical advances and innovations, and practical developments. Optimal control and stability, new motor designs for servo systems, and advances in process-control components are some of the topics that will be covered.

Sleeve induction motor offers advantages

The two-phase servomotor has proved to be a reliable power source in a wide variety of servo systems. However, inertia effects have prevented its use in certain critical applications and have necessitated compromises in others. On Tuesday, D. E. Wiegand of the Argonne National Laboratory will describe how these inertia effects can be reduced by at least an order of magnitude. This can be done by replacing the squirrel-cage, or solid-iron rotor, or the typical two-phase servo motor with a thin sleeve of lightweight metal revolving in the annular gap between the stationary outer and inner core members.

Since the low inertia of such a sleeve motor is obtained at the expense of increased real and reactive power requirements, Wiegand will describe how design trade-offs between these quantities can best be made.

The Sleeve Induction Motor for High-Performance Servomechanisms (22.3, Tues. a.m. N)

Systems methods solve man-machine loops

The single-loop feedback system with a human in the loop is the most commonly occurring configuration in practical manual-control systems. In addition, this configuration is often a component in more complicated systems. The state-of-the-art in applying closed-loop-systems engineering principles to human-control systems will be presented by D. T. McRuer, E. S. Krendel and D. Graham.

Based on experimental data collected over the

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past 20 years, the three have established a mathematical servo model describing human operation and adaptation for single-loop tracking with a visually presented, random-appearing forcing function. This model characterizes the predominant majority of all the experimental results. The use of the model in predicting the performance and dynamic response of practical man-machine systems will be explained.

The Analysis and Synthesis of Manual Closed-Loop Control Systems (69.2, Fri. a.m. R)

Novel unit controls electric vehicle

A control system for switching two dc motors from a parallel to a series connection and simultaneously switching two batteries from a series to a parallel connection will be described by T. R. Kelley of the I-T-E Circuit Breaker Co. The control has been tested successively for more than a year in a U.S. Post Office delivery truck. Its purpose is to switch the vehicle's two batteries from parallel (for starting) to series (for high speed) and at the same time switch the fields of the vehicle's dual-field dc motor from series (for high starting torque) to parallel (for high speed).

The I-T-E unit uses two chopper circuits, with their relative conduction angles controlling the switching. The conduction angles, in turn, are controlled by the vehicle's accelerator pedal. Germanium power transistors are used in the choppers, but according to Kelley, SCR or other chopper types could be used.

A New Control Concept for Electric Vehicles (14.1, Mon. p.m. N)

Test Equipment and Techniques

Papers on test equipment and test and measuring techniques are sprinkled throughout the technical program. Anyone with an across-the-board interest in the subject should examine the technical program carefully.

Single-shot transient analyzer aids EMC

Several methods exist for analyzing complex waveforms that are periodic. However, frequency analysis of single-shot transients has for a long time been a relatively tedious task. A new and faster method for performing such an analysis will be described by D. W. Moffat and P. Slysh of General Dynamics/Convair.

The two will describe a Waveform Synthesizer, developed as an aid in electromagnetic compatibility measurements. The synthesizer is an electromechanical function generator into which selected points of a waveform can be set. With these points, the instrument then generates sinusoids for the component parts of the spectrum.

Both the imaginary and real parts of the spectrum are generated and then processed to give the absolute magnitude, which is plotted in a continuous envelope. After the settings are made, analysis is completed in 15 seconds.

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PIN switching diode was developed by Texas Instruments for use in IC microwave phased array radar. Over 12,000 such diodes will be required in a system now under development by the company. (paper 45.1)

The technique uses fiber-optic recording by means of a fiber-optic face plate in contact with the CRT. Improvements in light-gathering power of over 40 to 1 have been achieved. With this high efficiency, compromises can be made in the CRT design. Improved sensitivity and resolution can be built in at the expense of light output.

*Improved Ultra Fast Transient Recording by Fiber Optics Cathode-Ray Tube (23.5, Tues. a.m. G)*

**Microelectronics**

There has been considerable activity in microelectronics since last year's IEEE Convention, particularly in integrated-circuit technology. Much of this activity will be brought into focus by this year's technical program. A number of papers deal exclusively with integrated-circuit topics. And a considerable number of others reflect the present impact of ICs, even though a paper may deal primarily with some other topic.

**LSI is coming**

On Wednesday, Dr. Richard Petritz of Texas Instruments will present an analysis of the logical goals, areas of strength and possible applications of large-scale integration (LSI) techniques. According to him, LSI approaches to complex circuitry will have the most profound effects yet experienced in solid-state electronics.

Array technology has reached the point where connections present greater cost and reliability problems than the components themselves. So additional effort must be directed to the connections, to take full advantage of progress over the last five years in component fabrication. Dr. Petritz will also point out that MOS arrays are going to get faster—25 to 50 ns—when the full potentials of complementary switching pairs are employed.

*Large Scale Integration—LSI (42.3, Wed. p.m. M)*

**Computer aids IC design**

Because of the high cost of masks in integrated-circuit manufacturing, it is advantageous to forecast circuit performance before the circuit is fabricated. Robert Mammano of ARINC Research Corp. suggests an approach that will greatly improve the chances for obtaining a successful set of fabrication masks on the first try. This method uses a general-purpose computer and should result in substantial savings, particularly in the design of custom circuits.

*Integrated Circuit Design Analysis by Digital Computer (52.3, Thurs. a.m. T)*

**Progress in phased-array radar**

One per cent of the components in a radar are responsible for 50 per cent of the failures. The remaining 99 per cent of the components have already been made solid state. Tom Hyltin of Texas Instruments will deliver a report on efforts.
to substitute solid-state components for those tubes and moving parts that perform microwave generation and reception and antenna scanning. With the use of phased arrays, power requirements can be substantially reduced, thereby bringing the component requirements within the realm of integrated circuitry. This work is being done at Texas Instruments under Air Force contract AF 22(615)-2525.

*Microwave Integrated Circuits in Phased Array Radars (45.1, Wed. p.m. T)*

**Topics at Random**

Because the technical program covers such a wide variety of engineering interests, some of the papers cover a miscellany of topics. Here are some that fit the category:

**CdS film transducers hold promise**

Investigation into the use of cadmium sulfide (CdS) films to high-efficiency, electromagnetic-to-acoustic transducers at microwave frequencies will be described in a paper by D. K. Winslow and H. J. Shaw, both of Stanford University. The two will also cover their investigations into the use of multiple-film assemblies, in which quarter-wave films of various materials are used to transform acoustic impedances for the purpose of increasing conversion efficiency. Experiment using these techniques has produced conversion losses as low as 4.5 dB at 800 MHz and 5 dB at 1600 MHz.

Based on their work, the two Stanford representatives will cover details of the vacuum-deposition techniques for CdS film; formulation of the problem and calculations that yield transducer conversion loss as a function of frequency for multilayer films, and the comparison of calculated and measured conversion loss as a function of frequency from 500 to 4000 MHz.

**Multi-Layered Film Microwave Acoustic Transducers (37.1, Wed. a.m. R)**

**Electronics dives deep**

Deep-diving vehicle sensors, displays and controls, and the critical role they play in undersea

*Schottky barrier diode* will serve as a balanced mixer in the phased array radar being developed by Texas Instruments. The diode is formed in epitaxial packets in high-resistivity silicon substrates. It will be used to convert an incoming 9 GHz signal down to a 500 MHz IF frequency. (paper 45.1)
search-and-rescue operations, will be discussed by Joseph A. Cestone of the U.S. Navy's Special Projects Office.

He will describe a typical form of undersea search-and-rescue vehicle and cover its operation in both types of missions. Terrain clearance, hover and attitude control are the most difficult control functions, according to Cestone.

Test programs for the Trieste II, Aluminaut, towed unmanned vehicles and a lowered test capsule will be described, along with the instrumentation systems they use.

Sensor and Navigation System for the Deep Submergence Program (43.3, Wed. p.m. S)

Plasma amplifier advances

Theory of operation and potential advantages of the beam-plasma amplifier (BPA) will be reviewed in paper by P. Chorney of Microwave Associates. Amplification of greater than 50 dB has been obtained at S-band frequencies with the use of beam-plasma amplifiers. Experiments have also shown the BPA to be capable of handling high power levels efficiently: Outputs as high as 22.5 Kw have been obtained at 35% efficiency.

Beam-plasma amplification is attractive for millimeter waves, since there is no need for metallic interaction with very tight mechanical tolerances. Recent results of experiments in this area will be covered.

Some problems remain before BPAs can become practical and their full potentialities realized. These problems, together with those already solved, will be discussed.

Recent Advances in Beam-Plasma Amplifiers (34.3, Wed. a.m. R)

SCRs used in mobile power systems

Radio-frequency interference and self buildup problems of mobile power systems—and the ways in which silicon-controlled rectifiers can be used to solve these problems—will be discussed in a paper by W. K. Volkmann of the General Electric Company. Several SCR regulator circuits suitable for use with 28-volt dc mobile power generating systems will be described.

According to Volkmann, the regulators permit self-buildup from residual voltage without a battery and also generate negligible radio noise. In addition they are simple, small and economical in cost. Auxiliary circuits for buildup are eliminated, and radio noise suppression circuits are reduced.

SCR Voltage Regulator for Mobile Power Generation (14.4, Mon. p.m. N)

Pulse-compression systems compared

In choosing a pulse-compression system for a particular application, a designer is often faced with the questions:

- How does his system compare with other pulse-compression systems.
- How does his system perform when overlapping signals occur.
- What will be the effect on the system if it is preceded by a nonlinear device.

A computer technique for answering these questions will be described and evaluated in a paper by R. W. Klassen of the Martin Company. He will discuss how digital-computer simulation of three-pulse compression systems (two-phase-shift-keyed and one frequency-shift-keyed) was used to compare system performance. Logarithmic amplifiers were used at the input of each system to reduce the dynamic-input range, and decreases in peak-signal amplitude and varying amounts of overlap were processed. The performance of two of the systems is evaluated under conditions of CW interference.

Comparison of Frequency Shift Keyed and Phase Shift Keyed Pulse Compression Systems (20.2, Tues. a.m. S)
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What are the product trends at this year’s Show—and what do they mean to the designer? Here’s how it looks in five major design areas.

Large sampling of digital equipment at IEEE Convention

Digital systems and instruments designed to help automate or otherwise simplify the engineer's tasks are very much in evidence at this year's IEEE show. From a general-purpose digital computer to a high-current switching transistor—and everything in between—the electronic designer has a multitude of new tools to choose from.

Nowhere is the impact of digital technology more apparent than in the field of instrumentation. Digital voltmeters, counters and other measuring instruments abound at the Coliseum. Integrated circuits are seeing wider use in the instruments being exhibited.

Instruments use plug-ins, ICs

Plug-in versatility is featured in the Hickok DMS-3200 Digital Measuring System. All-electronic and fully-transistorized, the DMS-3200 consists of a basic digital-readout unit that can be adapted for use as a DC voltmeter, a 1-MHz counter, an ohmmeter, a capacity meter, or in any of several other measurement functions, by inserting the appropriate plug-in unit.

Two digital counters and a digital voltmeter from Monsanto feature integrated circuitry and compact size.

A portable data-logging system by Electro-Instruments provides automatic measuring and recording in a package that the manufacturer says is suited for small R&D organizations, short-run production lines, etc. The system is built around the Model 620-2 integrating digital voltmeter, and can be expanded to include analog signal scanning, pressure scanning and other functions.

Working computer system displayed

Honeywell's Philadelphia division is exhibiting a working model of its H20 general-purpose digital computer and associated instrumentation. The H20 model represents a system designed for use by electronic-component manufacturers and by research laboratories. With a random-access core memory capacity of from 2,048 to 16,348 20-bit words, the H20 computer has 8,192 directly accessible memory locations with a 6 rms memory cycle time.

For those who want to retrieve data stored on punched paper tape, Ohr-Tronics is offering its Series 119 paper-tape readers. These units can read up to eight channel punched paper tape, bidirectionally, at speeds up to 30 charac/sec.

Some new microelectronic logic packs have been added to the product line of the Computer Control Co., Inc. The four new packs consist of a shift

Measuring and recording are accomplished in a portable package by Electro Instruments.

Ohr-Tronics paper tape readers can handle tapes of up to 8 channels at speeds of 30 charac/sec.
Integrated circuits help shrink the size of Monsanto's new digital counter/timer.

register, negative logic level driver, a non-inverting power amplifier and a lamp driver. In addition 3C has introduced three auxiliary micro-packs that permit tailoring by the user for his individual requirements.

Memories get dynamic test

Also from 3C comes a memory exerciser with 150 ns to 1.5 ms cycle time. The all-solid-state exerciser, Model 3601, has a capacity of 65,536 addresses, word lengths up to 80 bits and a ±6 volt output amplitude.

Fairchild Semiconductor is showing two new PNP high current (up to 300 mA) switches. These two devices, 2N3644 and 2N3645 are said to offer high beta and high breakdown voltage. The manufacturer says that these devices are ideal for use as line drivers in memory applications.

Communications and the design engineer at IEEE

The trend for communication equipment is toward smaller, more reliable and more complex systems. The military remains the prime user of communications equipment with the emphasis being shifted to tactical systems for field use as a result of the Vietnam War.

Military equipment & microelectronics

One example of this type of equipment is the AN/PRC-66, being produced by Collins Radio of Canada, Ltd. under contract to the U.S. Air Force. The PRC-66 is a hand-held transceiver that enables the operator to communicate over any one of 3500 channels in the 225.00 MHz to 399.95 MHz frequency range. An all-solid-state unit making extensive use of hybrid integrated circuits, the PRC-66 is being evaluated by the Air Force and the Marine Corps.

The concept of microminiaturization with hybrid circuits has been widely exploited through military funding. Airborne Instruments Laboratory, a division of Cutler-Hammer, will demonstrate their capabilities at the show with their Microelectronic MTI, a radar receiver subsystem developed for the Rome Air Development Center. This particular unit demonstrates the drastic reductions in size and weight that can be accomplished with microelectronics.

The heavy involvement of the military in integrated circuits has not been duplicated to any large extent in commercial applications, though it is a good indication of things to come. Because it is a still fast-moving technology, most major system houses have been unwilling to make major commitments with their own funds. However, many have or are setting up in-house facilities and will be looking for possible applications in nonmilitary areas. At the show a number of manufacturers will be displaying their capabilities along this line. Microwave Associates, for example, will be showing its MA9E4, which is a 200 MHz linear amplifier with 60 dB gain, a 6 dB noise figure and 30

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MHz bandwidth in a hybrid package. Also shown will be their MA963 hybrid pulse amplifier, operating at 100 MHz with 90 dB of gain and a 5 dB noise figure.

**Broadcast systems**

Development of telecasting systems with all-solid-state components has long been under way, particularly for remote pick-up and portable-studio-to-transmitter applications. Microwave Associates will also be discussing its improved versions of all-solid-state portable TV transceivers—the MA2A and the MA7A, operating at 2GHz and 7GHz, respectively. The microwave carrier frequency is obtained by varactor multiplication of the 350-to-500 MHz output of a high stability Colpitts oscillator. The obvious advantage of these transceivers is portability, in that one person can carry the entire unit; low power consumption, and increased reliability. Also claimed is a great improvement on color fidelity over existing systems.

**Test equipment**

A major complaint among communications engineers is a lack of adequate test equipment. This problem can be broken down into two parts: one is the lack of accuracy in existing equipments and a need for even greater accuracy; the other is a lack of simple test equipment in the face of increasingly complex measuring methods.

One of the new products at the show that should help to resolve the problem of simplicity is Hewlett-Packard's new Vector Voltmeter (Model 8405A). This is a dual channel wideband RF millivoltmeter and phasemeter that operates over the 1MHz to 1GHz frequency range. By means of two pencil probes, voltages at any two points on a circuit can be measured. An integral phase-lock system operates on the signal from the first probe and provides a reference to which the phase angle of the second signal can be compared. A front-panel meter provides direct readout of this phase information, with a resolution of 0.1 degree. With sensitivities as low as 300 microvolts, the voltmeter will greatly simplify gain, phase, stability and vswr measurements over this frequency range.

As a sidenote, the use of a sampling technique for this instrument should indicate the extent to which digital circuits will be used in analog equipment in the future.

This increased need for test equipment, especially in the 100-to-1000-MHz range, is accentuated by some of the equipment that is being introduced by Anzac Electronics, Inc. A manufacturer of high-frequency and microwave components, Anzac will also be demonstrating a sweep converter to convert the output of a 1-to-2-GHz sweep generator into a 5-MHz-to-1-GHz signal. The maximum power input is 100 mw for an output level of 5 milliwatts. Spurious signals are at least 20dB down. The converter, which uses a vacuum-tube oscillator, also has a detected output that can be used to level the output signal by controlling the sweep generator output. The equipment was originally built to satisfy Anzac's internal needs and was then deemed a worthy product for this growing and unfulfilled market. Anzac will also be showing its RB-3 Standing Wave Ratio Bridge (an improved version of the RB-2), which works over the frequency range of 2MHz to 1GHz with a directivity of 48 dB and 60dB of isolation. With these specifications, VSWR measurements as low as 1.01 may be easily made. If some derating is allowable, the bridge may be used up to 1500 MHz.

**Half-price ICs for industrial users!**

This year, the IEEE show is likely to appear like one big discount store for industrial electronic equipment designers! Integrated circuit manufacturers are all rolling out the red carpet, arrayed with ID devices selling at half the price of their military/space counterparts.

The catch? There really is no catch. Three factors add up to these low prices:

- Packaging economy—devices in plastic encapsulation, in TO cans or plug-in flat packs, all designed for production-line efficiency.
- Specification economy—devices that exhibit temperature ranges narrower than the military or space requirements call for, but well within industrial needs; some devices exhibit other “sub-mil” specifications.
- Functional economy—recent developments packing more complex circuits in the same 14- or 16-lead packages, allowing 5 to 1 or more circuit complexity, will be available in industrial lines as well as military/space.

As an example, Texas Instruments has available 50 digital type and 5 linear type ICs at prices in the range of 50% lower than Mil types. Indications are that other makers are in a similar push.

Device marketers have noted recently that many designers of industrial electronic products have not been aware of the availability of these sophisticated devices at prices they can afford to pay. As they become more aware of what they can do with the units, they are besieging manufac-

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Transistors, SCRs in same push

Germanium transistors, thought by many to be passé, are very much alive for the industrial application area. Motorola Semiconductor has recently begun a new push of its germanium lines, accompanied by appreciable price cuts of between 14% and 91% on 29 types. The cuts were said to have been brought about by an improved manufacturing process. Low-cost plastic cases are also a key to several companies' germanium lines, including new types from Texas Instruments.

Higher power and, again, more plastic packages are the headliners in silicon-controlled rectifiers this year. Westinghouse has extended compression bonding to high-power units, to 70 amps and 1200 volts. General Electric will also be increasing power-handling capabilities of its SCRs. Manufacturers are looking for growth in speed control applications in large motors, including traction units for rail transit systems that are receiving more attention from industry and government.

In other areas for the industrial market:
- Many other component manufacturers are continuing their push of low-cost items, some at sub-Mil—but perfectly acceptable industrial—reliability ratings.
- The continuing trend in automation of industrial processes is being aided by ICs, advances in direct digital control and hybrid computer systems. B & F Instruments is showing a system, for example, that receives 100 inputs from remote strain-gage rosettes and computes and prints out in real time the stress, shear and stress angle at a rate of one second per data point.
- Production-line equipment manufacturers will be showing more automation. The Weltek Div. of Wells Electronics is showing an automatic welding unit for production-line integrated-circuit installation.
- Light-activated silicon controlled switches for industrial applications are a relatively new item. General Electric is introducing one as "the lowest cost on the market."

Semiconductors make strides in consumer equipment

One of the spotlights at this year's IEEE show will be on trends in consumer products set by solid-state devices. The applications involved range from large power and control systems down to tiny, light-operated audio units. Common to many of these achievements is the use of inexpensive packages for the semiconductors.

This greater emphasis on the consumer market is evidenced by engineering activity figures and growth rates. In 1960 only 20% of the total developmental effort was devoted to the industrial and consumer markets (with consumer interests getting the lion's share); 80% went to military and defense needs. In 1965, this latter figure dropped to 40%, the consumer effort went to 50% and the industrial rose to 10%.

In 1966, all indications point to further increases in the latter two, with the military programs accordingly dropping off (5 to 10%). In terms of growth rate (volume and dollars of sales), the combined consumer-industrial figure has steadily climbed the past 5 years, while the military portion has been decreasing and leveling off. The two will be just about equal in '66, but this is largely due to the limited war in Vietnam. 1967 should witness the eminence of the industrial-consumer trend for the first time in modern electronics history.

Judge a device by its cover

Every major type of semiconductor is now available in a low-cost (usually plastic) package. These include SCRs, power and other bipolar transistors, diodes, unijunction transistors, FETs and integrated circuits and are a major reason for the thrust into the consumer market.

Representative of this trend are TV sets incorporating 15 ampere-rated rectifiers in a lead-mounted plastic package, automotive electrical assemblies containing epoxy diodes and communications equipment using plastic FETs. In some cases the performance of these units exceeds that of their metal-encased counterparts. What's more, the trend towards line-operated capabilities in semiconductors will also be evident; many devices are replacing traditional components (vacuum tubes, for example) in consumer products on a one-for-one basis. Typical of the applications here are pre-amps, citizen-band transmitter stages, antenna disabling systems and TV deflection circuits.

More power to thyristors

Solid-state achievement in consumer power and control systems will also be apparent at the show. Typical of these will be units employing new thyristor devices (SCRs Triacs, etc.) and power transistors, both with high-power ratings.

These semiconductors are now capable of handling in excess of 1200 amperes at 1800 volts (peak), thanks to technology improvements in heat removal. In effect, a double-heat sink design is employed to both remove heat quickly and store it (for gradual dissipation) where it cannot harm the semiconductor component. This method solves the problems associated with high thermal resistances and heavy inrush currents. It helps point the way to solid-state takeovers in motor applications (blenders, washing machines, machine tools), welders, dimmers, timers and power-control systems and sub-systems, in general.

New gains with FET amplifiers

Field-effect devices are also contributing to the semiconductor role in establishing product trends in consumer equipment. FETs and MOS units (discrete and integrated) are setting the pace by
opening up new applications and improving on the functional ability of traditional devices here. Most of the headway in amplifiers has been made by FETs; MOS semiconductors are making their presence felt more so in switching applications.

The relatively new breed of large-signal linear voltage amplifying junction FETs (devices with high $BV_{ds}$ ratings and closely specified bias points) is capable of outstanding performance in audio equipment. These and other FETs are also being employed in high-frequency amplifiers, low-noise systems, mixers, AGC networks, FM receivers, IF strips, video amplifiers and modulators.

Discrete MOSs and integrated MOS circuits (arrays) are making strides in RF amplifiers, scratch-pad memories, choppers, calculators, addressable memories and VHF tuners.

Let there be light

Semiconductors are casting still another new light on consumer products. Show attendees may observe a number of displays involving light-emitting diodes (LED) and other optoelectronic devices. These units can be of use in communications, indicating, printing, photographic and tape-recording systems.

LEDs are capable of creating visible light beams of green and red hues. These beams are then modulated at a high-frequency rate ($\approx 1$ MHz) to form highly-directional communications links. For example, in one exhibit, integrated circuit amplifiers will be used to process the light signals in establishing an audio system.

Don't be too surprised if you stumble across a consumer equipment containing integrated circuit portions. Linear ICs are being used in video and IF stages, synchronization networks and other types of signal-processing systems.

Microwave companies look for greener pastures

Diversification and improvements in devices, rather than breakthrough, characterize the microwave segment of this year's exhibition.

Many companies are venturing into new areas, with the solid-state industry attracting most. This trend is partly explained by the approaching dateline for telemetry systems to convert to the higher L and S bands, and partly by the desire to be able to use in-house components for any systems they build, according to spokesmen of interested companies.

As an example of diversification, Scientific-Atlanta—a company that is better known for its test equipment and telemetry systems—became active in ferrite devices.

The first product from the new laboratory is the 223-1A reciprocal phase-shifter. This latching, digital ferrite device is being shown at the IEEE Show. Its reciprocity permits phased arrays to transmit and receive without switching back and forth between transmitting and receiving elements. In addition the latching design needs low drive power: The 223-1A uses less than 50 $\mu$Joules.

It covers the range of 5.4 to 6 GHz with a reciprocity of about 1° and a switching time of less than 1 $\mu$s. "Our diversification serves a definite purpose," says Howard Crispin, marketing manager of antenna instrumentation; "we want to develop the capability to provide complete systems for our customers."

The YIG-device area also welcomes a newcomer: Microwave Associates, Inc., is showing the first YIG filters of its new production setup.

The MA9A11 YIG filter covers the range from 4 to 8 GHz with four sections. It has an 80-dB off-band rejection and a 4-dB insertion loss in the band, which is 25-30 MHz wide. The tuning linearity is 1% with a sweeping rate of 100 Hz. The voltage is from 0 to 12.

A second filter, type MA9A5, covers the range from 2 to 4 GHz in two sections, with an off-band range rejection of 50 dB and an insertion loss of 2 dB. The band is somewhat wider: It spreads from 30 to 40 MHz. Its tuning linearity and power requirements are the same as those of the MA9A11.

The filters are available in a package that includes the drive source. The saturation level of both filters is above $10$ dBm.

Better instrumentation and components are apparent in the first spin-tuned magnetron on view—the DX 290 of the Amperex Corp.—which operates around 16 GHz with a bandwidth of about 5%. The device has a peak power of 65 kW, a duty cycle of 0.001% and a tuning rate of 2 MHz/µsec.

Eimac, a division of Varian, brings to the show a new 5-cavity, electrostatically focused reflex klystron that is only 6-1/8 inches long, including the tuner, and weighs only 5 pounds. The klystron operates in S-band, around 2100 MHz, with a maximum efficiency of 40%. Electrical and mechanical tuning permit the coverage of either a narrow band or a wide band. In narrow-band operation, the output power is 200 watts, with an efficiency of 40% and a gain of 30 dB. In wide-band operation, the output power is 196 watts, with a gain of 27 dB and an efficiency of 36%.

An overlay transistor, built by the Vector Div. of United Aircraft Corp. and designed to operate as a class-C amplifier, is intended for telemetry systems. The 2N4012 operates at 1.6 GHz, with an output of 2.5 watts and a conversion gain of 4 dB. "The strong interest of telemetry-system people in high-frequency and high-power semiconductors gave us impetus to develop this device," says John Millet, manager of technical publications at Vector.

The precision insertion-loss measurement set (PILMS), which was introduced last year, now has a direct-reading panel and operates with batteries, according to its manufacturer, De Mornay Bonardy. Other improvements on the device include the extension of the dynamic range to 30 dB. Also, in the 0-to-1-dB range, the absolute accuracy is down at 1/7000th of a dB. Last year these figures were 25 dB and 1/5000th of a dB, respectively.
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Progress Is Our Most Important Product
 EE societies—are they doing enough?
Electronic Design's survey shows engineers feel a need for further standardization of products and for personal recognition and job stability.

Maria Dekany
Technical Editor

Professional EE engineering groups in the country—the many societies and the two trade associations—are of valuable assistance in helping engineers communicate with one another. But many members feel that isn't enough.

An ELECTRONIC DESIGN sampling of engineer opinions across the country shows a need for expanded efforts in two other areas in which professional groups can help the engineer:

-Communication between engineers and manufacturers. Needed are uniform testing and specification for similar devices, so engineers can make an intelligent appraisal of what they are buying.

-Communication between engineers and employers and the public, to help engineers achieve greater professional recognition. Needed in some companies are adequate work space for engineers in place of "bullpens"; treatment of engineers as trusted professionals instead of time-clock hirelings, and job security to end the mill-like hiring and firing practices.

Among the comments of engineers in the ELECTRONIC DESIGN survey were these:

"Yes, uniform testing and specification among manufacturers are needed. But you are asking for utopia!"

"The plight of engineers reminds me of the 'Grapes of Wrath'—chasing around the country for jobs. Besides demeaning the profession, it results in waste and inefficiency."

"To put a stop to hiring and firing of engineers in the defense industry, engineers should publish a monthly scoreboard of engineers fired and hired by individual companies. After a while notoriously bad records will make hiring extremely difficult for the offending companies."

"If engineers are treated just as any other employee in the company, they should behave as such and form unions for their protection. But engineers are not joiners, and unions are below their imagined professional status."

Internal communication stressed

Most professional engineering societies consider themselves purely technical organizations, whose only role is that of communication within the engineering profession. They distribute technical information, establish standard symbols, notations and terminology, and in general serve the scientific community by organizing meetings and discussions and providing a forum for new technical developments.

The accompanying table lists 17 engineering and scientific societies that serve the electronic and electrical industry and have members from these fields. They handle the job of communication among engineers very well.

But what of communication between engineers and manufacturers?

Consider the seemingly easy task of buying a power supply. Since many manufacturers make them, the engineer-buyer wants to compare and find the best supply for his application.

Let's say that the peak ripple is of critical interest. Most manufacturers specify the ripple as an rms voltage at the load, like 15 mV, which cannot be used to find the peak value. In addition, one company may specify the recovery time (maybe without even including the rise time for the load transient), and another may use the...
response time. So specification sheets are not much help for the conscientious engineer.

He has two alternatives: He can call up the salesman of each company, or he can make up his own specification sheet and have the companies fill in the needed information. In either case the lack of uniform specifications and test procedures wastes many engineering manhours.

This problem is not confined to power supplies. It exists in antennas, transistors and relays, to name just a few other areas.

A look at the IEEE

But what can the engineer do? Can he call upon an engineering organization that would formulate standards and then convince the manufacturers to adapt the standards? Let’s examine the largest engineering society of all, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, better known as IEEE.

It is a non-profit organization, like practically all the others. Its announced aims are scientific, literary and educational. The IEEE is presently involved in a court action to obtain an accurate determination of the limitations imposed by the nonprofit operation. Therefore it is not clear whether it operates in this sphere of influence because of the nonprofit nature or because of other considerations. But the fact remains that the IEEE tries not to get involved in controversial engineering problems. For example, on the need for a meaningful transistor registration, the IEEE’s comments were as follows (this letter is in reply to ELECTRONIC DESIGN’s article on transistor coding, Nov. 9, 1964):

Sir:

In response to your request for possible participation of the IEEE in attempts to change the present system of transistor registration, I have contacted Jack Hili-brand of our Semiconductor Device Subcommittee and Sorab K. Ghandhi of R.P.I., who has been in charge of most of the symbols-work in IEEE’s Solid-State Device Committee in the past few years.

It seemed appropriate to do this since IEEE has collaborated to some extent with JEDEC committees, EIA and other national standards organizations. Professor Ghandhi, in particular, informs me, however, that IEEE has never gone this far in the transistor field and this is primarily a JEDEC matter.

The Solid-State Device Committee deals primarily with basic standards in terms of definition, symbols for basic terms and methods of testing for new devices. Once devices get into industrial use, their handling is almost entirely a matter for the industry-oriented standards organizations. However, thank you again for giving us the opportunity to comment on this matter.

W. CRAWFORD DUNLAP
Chairman
Solid-State Devices Committee
IEEE
Waltham, Mass.

The IEEE also has a Standards Committee. Its function is to define terms, conditions and limits that characterize the behavior of electronic and electrical equipment. When the chairman of the committee was asked about the possibility of extending this function to establish uniform testing and specification, he replied: “Even though there is a definite need for such standards, we feel that it should be the problem of the Electronic Industries Associates (EIA).”

In fact, the EIA does perform some standardization work, but much depends on organizations like the IEEE.

ASA’s performance is limited

But how about organizations like the American Standard Association (ASA) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM).

According to the ASA’s electrical engineering department, the association’s main function is the coordination of work by other societies and the provision of systematic means to avoid duplication. It is a federation of more than 150 societies and trade associations. However, the association does not have the prerogative to suggest or to establish new standards on its own, except in very rare cases. The association accepts standardization proposals from organizations like the IEEE, the EIA and ASTM.

The association has sectional groups, each is sponsored by the leading organization in a particular field. These study a proposed standard before it is submitted to all members. The sponsor of any sectional group finances the operation, takes care of administrative duties and, at the same time, provides guidance and leads the effort of the group. For example, there is an electronic sectional group that studies standards for transistors and other electronic devices. It is sponsored by the EIA, and its members represent users and producers in equal number. According to an ASA official, this group is now inactive:

“There is nothing in the works, but our hands are tied. These groups are independent; their performance is mainly determined by the desire of
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the sponsor and the members to accomplish something.”

According to the same ASA official, the sponsor and the members of the transistor and electronic-devices group appear to be quite satisfied with the standards already established by the EIA. Joseph Werner, the past secretary of the group (who was also the secretary of the JEDEC Semiconductor Device Council till January, 1966) says: “The semiconductor industry is too volatile; it is moving too fast and changing from day to day. There is no time to go through the ASA, which takes about a year to a year and a half. JEDEC is doing a good job in this area.”

The committees of JEDEC, according to Werner, are even doing some of the work that should have been done by the standard committee of the IEEE—establishing symbols and definitions for the semiconductor industry. “The semiconductor field is in a sorry state as far as definitions go,” he says. “Much more work is needed to establish the language of communication between the user and the producer. And this is the responsibility of the IEEE.”

The ASA sometimes initiates its own investigation and establishes standards. If there is no outside organization active in an area and the association receives requests for standards, it may form its own committee and do the necessary work. For example, at present two subcommittees are in the process of developing standards for relays and RF connectors—that is, they are involved in defining terminology, specifications, methods of testing, physical dimensions and so on. If any engineer has any constructive comments or suggestions about these two devices, this is the time to tell the ASA.

When a proposal, developed either “in house” or submitted by an outside organization, has been accepted by the responsible ASA committee, it is submitted to the membership for approval.

**Testing of materials achieved**

The American Society for Testing and Materials, another large organization, investigates the fundamental properties of materials used in the electronic and electrical industries. It establishes basic test procedures for ferrite cores, insulators, insulated and bare wire cables, and semiconductor materials, among others. This society appears to be the closest to meeting the engineer’s needs so far as materials are concerned: Anybody can suggest the need for standards at meetings—visitors, nonmembers and members alike.

Examination of the work and functions of the larger technical societies makes it clear that all have very limited activities in areas where the most work is needed: uniform testing and specifications of devices for the design engineer. Most of the societies consider these areas the domain of industry-oriented organizations—the trade association. The nontechnical problems of the engineering profession are clearly outside their areas of interest.

**Two major trade associations**

There are two significant trade organizations in electrical and electronic engineering: EIA and NEMA (National Electrical Manufacturers Association).

NEMA handles mostly electrical devices—devices that consume 60-cycle power. This includes equipment used to generate, transmit and distribute power; appliances, and materials that go into devices.

EIA deals with passive electronic devices—like resistors, inductors and so on—and with equipment used in the electronic industry.

The Joint Electron Devices Engineering Council (JEDEC) is co-sponsored by both NEMA and EIA. It handles all activities in the areas of semiconductors and other electron devices.

These trade associations do not have individual members. NEMA has only manufacturer members; EIA has, in addition to manufacturers, representatives of users on the management level.

How do these organizations help the engineer-
user in his work? Can an engineer submit suggestions as an individual? He can.

**Engineer suggestions are welcome**

EIA has more than 200 engineering committees, staffed by member and non-member companies and by representatives of the Federal Government. When member companies suggest standardization in a certain area, it is reviewed by the engineering department of EIA, and if it is considered worthwhile, a committee is set up to formulate a proposed standard.

Any engineer can submit suggestions. Proposals on equipment and passive devices can be submitted to Jean Caffiaux, Manager, Engineering Department, Electronic Industries Assoc., 2001 Eye St. N.W., Washington, D. C.

Those who are interested in the development of a transistor coding system, for example, can write to Everett Coon, Type Registration Group Manager, and he will forward it to the responsible committee.

NEMA offers plenty of opportunity, too, to interested individuals. It has joint activities with organizations like the IEEE that involve the investigation of specific groups of devices and equipment. An individual can submit his suggestions through his company, if the company is a member of NEMA. If it isn’t, the engineer can work through a subcommittee of the IEEE. Suppose, for example, that a design engineer would like to see the adaptation of uniform specification for switches. He may get in touch with the SF1 subcommittee of the IEEE, which handles switches, fuses and insulators. If the subcommittee considers the suggestion worthwhile, it will propose it to NEMA. The chances are that if the IEEE proposes something, it will be accepted, since it represents the user’s opinion to the manufacturers.

Joseph Werner, who is also an official of NEMA, says: “National standards can only be established through the acceptance of all concerned—meaning manufacturers, users and general-interest groups.”

**Many engineers wary**

The apparent willingness of industry-oriented organizations to listen to and accept suggestions from individual engineers is a step toward improving industry-engineer relations. Engineers should use this opportunity. However, many told ELECTRONIC DESIGN that they never considered it because:

"I am too busy in my job, to get involved."
"Manufacturers are keeping too much information off their specs sheets, but they are in the business of making money. Uniform testing and specification will never be established through a group supported by manufacturers."
"I would rather spend extra time in finding the best device than have the prices raised. Uniform testing and specification will surely cost money, and manufacturers will pass the cost along to us—the users."

Some engineers even felt that there might be a need for Federal action:
"The Government is the largest buyer, and waste and inefficiency cause the largest losses for the Government. They should force the manufacturers to establish uniform test procedures and specifications."

Most engineers in the survey accepted the existing conditions as "the facts of life," even though they did not like them. Very few had given thought to possible remedies. The most common suggestion was for the establishment of an organization that would serve as a sounding board for engineers. This organization could coordinate engineer-buyer comments and pass them along to manufacturers.

**Nontechnical problems persist**

What of the nontechnical aspects of the profession—status, job security and working conditions?

The most frequently heard complaints on the professional status of engineering urge the following:
- Increased recognition and respect for engineering as a learned profession.
- Greater voice in management decisions.
- More engineers in management.
- Management encouragement of participation of civic and professional society affairs.
- Release from technician’s work.
- Less supervision by non-engineers.
- Better support and service facilities.

Two large organizations serve the general interest of engineers on the job: the Engineers Joint Council (EJC) and the National Society for Professional Engineers (NSPE).

The EJC is a federation of 38 professional engineering societies; it does not have individual membership. Its activities are concentrated on nationwide problems of engineering. For example, it develops and publishes information on engineering demand, salaries, enrollments and degrees; it acts as a liaison between the Government and the EJC member societies on issues that relate to engineering jobs. It is more concerned about the engineer as an employee than as a professional.

The EJC publishes studies on the nationwide employment of engineers, covering such subjects as the demand for engineers now and in the future and the salaries and income of engineering teachers. The list of available reports and their cost
may be obtained by writing to the Engineers Joint Council, Dept. P, 345 E. 47 St., New York, N. Y. 10017. In addition to these reports, the council publishes a quarterly newspaper, "Engineer," which covers the professional problems of engineering, including obsolescence, layoff problems in the defense industry and legislative actions that affect the profession.

The membership of the NSPE consist mainly of licensed, or registered, engineers. The NSPE is conducting a vigorous and extensive public-relations campaign to enlighten the public to the broad spectrum of engineering activities. This society is the only one that is registered as a national and state lobby, and it actively tries to influence legislation for the engineering profession.

The society has been quite successful in its lobbying activities. It supported legislation to improve the economic status of engineers employed by the Federal Government. It obtained full recognition for engineers in the military services and set up minimum compensation standards for engineering consultants. The NSPE publishes newsletters and magazines to keep its members informed of its activities.

However, so far as the majority of the electrical and electronic engineers are concerned, the society hardly exists. Its requirement for licensed members only prevents many engineers from joining; only 18% of its members are from electronic and electrical areas. But there are signs that the NSPE realizes the shortcoming of excluding many able engineers who do not need the license for their work. The society's Long-Range Planning Committee has proposed a broadened membership approach that would make possible the admittance of non-licensed engineers.

The public image of the engineering profession is important, engineers believe. A good image attracts bright young men into engineering, improves the morale of those already in the field and helps raise salaries. Most engineers, the E D survey showed, feel that the profession lacks luster, that the public is not clearly aware of the importance of an engineer's work. But a Gallup poll, initiated by the NSPE, showed the opposite to be true.

The poll asked the public: "Suppose a young man came to you and asked your opinion about taking up a profession. Assuming that he was qualified to enter any of these professions, which one of them would you first recommend to him?"

The replies rated the engineering profession as the second most desirable, ahead of science and law. The medical profession took first place. It would appear that the complaints about the professional status of engineering cannot be written off as the result of public unawareness.

Still, engineers are treated by some companies almost as if they were itinerant workers. They are hired or laid off en masse. If a company receives a fat contract, it may hire hundreds of engineers. When the contracts are terminated or canceled, the engineers are let go. This situation is most apparent in the defense industry, and engineers feel that it strips them of their professional dignity.

The majority of engineers in the defense industry, E D's survey showed, think that the NSPE is organized to fight for protection against this practice. Suggestions to remedy the situation ranged from contracts that would include some provisions for layoffs to the formation of an engineering organization that would publish a monthly scoreboard of engineers hired and laid off, to discourage employment at companies with bad records. Nearly unanimous opposition to unions was expressed by the engineers. They consider unions to be a last resort.

Engineers outside the defense industry do not feel too strongly about this problem, the survey showed. The most common view was that the higher salaries offered by the defense industry compensate for the risk of steady employment. "If they don't like it, they don't have to take it," one engineer commented.

However, engineers in and out of the defense industry agreed that the lack of a strong organization (like the American Medical Association, some said) contributes to the unprofessional handling of engineering personnel.

The engineer has two good ways to bolster his professional stature:

- Continued study.
- Greater participation in civic and community affairs.

With today's rapid changes in electronics, continued study has become a professional necessity. Engineers believe that employers should help out here, with time off for study and financial assistance.

The educational goal committee of ASPE has recommended that the master's degree—awarded at the completion of a five-year program—become the recognized professional degree of engineering, instead of the bachelor's degree. The resultant curriculum, it is argued, would strengthen the liberal education of engineers, expose them to the social sciences and the problems of society and provide a deeper understanding of the engineering sciences. (See "Engineer," Vol. VI, No. 3).

Engineers can also further their professional status, in the view of some groups, by taking into consideration the needs of people and the community when they design equipment. James K. Carr, former Undersecretary of the Interior and now San Francisco's manager of utilities, put it this way at a recent meeting of the Consulting Engineers Association of California: "To provide leadership in this new era, engineers must remember that engineering works are built to meet man's needs. Too often engineers have been the hirelings of men concentrating on profit alone, who are indifferent to people's needs."

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The Design of Binary Adders with a Flexible Criterion Function—J. M. Scanlon, Bell Telephone Labs. (33.3, Wed./a.m./T)

Parallel Matrix Multiplier, Using Read-Only Array—George Nagy, International Business Machines Corp. (33.4, Wed./a.m./T)

Digital Curve Matching, Using a Contour Correlation Algorithm—J. Fed­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­�
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Current Developments in Integrated Electronics—R. L. Petrutz, Texas Instruments, Inc. (42.3, Wed./p.m./M)

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A UHF Telemetry Converter Employing Integrated Microwave Circuits—H. M. Weil, F. S. Coole, Me labs (45.3, Wed./p.m./R)

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Integrated Circuit Design by Digital Computer—R. A. Mannino, ARINC Research Corp. (52.3, Thurs./a.m./SS)

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A Microminiature MFI System for Surveillance Radars—W. Cappadora, Airborne Instruments Lab.; D. Keneally, Griffias Air Force Base, Rome Air Development Center (20.5, Tues./a.m./SS)

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Command and Control of Deep/Submergence Vehicles—Victor Ander-

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Power Generation and Control

Recent Advances in Electrofluiddynamic Power Generation—H. E. Brandmaier, Bernard Kahn, Curtiss-Wright Corp. (24, Mon./a.m./M)

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The Cooling of Underground EHV Transmission Cables—J. A. Hitchcock, M. J. Thelwell, Central Electricity Research Labs. (543, Thurs./p.m./N)

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For further information regarding these products write: Hoffman Semiconductor Division, Hoffman Electronic Corporation, El Monte, California 91734.

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(1) Temperature coefficient calculated on the total voltage variation when tested at the end point temperature only.

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ON READER-SERVICE CARD CIRCLE 60

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COMPONENTS—2ND FLOOR

Transistor lead socket
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SEE AT 2D02-4
Circle No. 334

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P&A: $15 (small lots); 1 week.
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Circle No. 335
Resistive terminations

Maximum vswr of 1.10:1 from dc to 5 GHz, 1.15:1 from 4 to 7.5 GHz and 1.20:1 from 7.5 to 12.4 GHz are reported for a new line of terminations. Precision film resistors are used to provide a well-matched termination over a wide frequency range. Available engagements include SRM, SSRM, Z, BNC, TNC, Conhex and Microhex.

Sealectro Corp., 225 Hoyt St., Mamaroneck, N. Y. Phone: (914) 698-5600.
SEE AT BOOTHS 2G43-45.
Circle No. 336

Cooling fans

Two general purpose blower units are offered. The Sprite, designed for cooling low-profile instrumentation, is 3 1/8-in. square and delivers 35 cfm. It is recommended for uses requiring pressures of 0.05-0.075-in. of water at 25-30 cfm. The Skipper fan delivers 100 cfm. Its 38 dB noise level makes it suitable for computer rooms and test areas.

Roton, Woodstock, N. Y. Phone: (914) 679-2401.
SEE AT BOOTHS 2E39-43.
Circle No. 337

Crystal protector

A crystal protector for operation in the 16-17 GHz frequency range, the BLT-111 is warranted for 2000 hours, and has a design life of 5000 hours. Maximum input vswr is 1.3:1 and maximum breakdown power is 200 mW. Noise figure is 0.8 dB and insertion loss is 0.4 dB. The 3.25-oz unit operates over the -55° to +125°C temperature range.

SEE AT VARIAN, 2nd Fl.
Circle No. 338
This new Malco Wrap-A-Wire Terminal means fewer defective PC boards—cuts assembly costs. Clinching, formerly required to attach terminal to the board before soldering, is no longer necessary. The barbed shank fits into a .070" hole and grips tight. Low silhouette on the circuit side of the board provides optimum solder configuration. The wrapost is resilient—there's less breakage of PC boards than with a rigid post—and the tendency to lift the copper laminate with a poorly aimed wire-wrap gun or careless handling is minimized. The swaged tip directs wire-wrap gun placement—helps guide matching crimp-quick receptacle. Write for complete information and samples.

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Price: $35 each (1-9). Nexus, 480 Neponset, Canton, Mass. Phone: (617) 828-9000.

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Duplex spiral blower

Up to 94 cfm air-flow and 2 psig pressure are featured in the Duplex spiral blower. Three versions are available, including model SL6. This unit, in computer applications, uses two independent air paths to serve separate functions. One, for magnetic tape slack control; the other, for capstan motor cooling. Other models are for document and card handling.

Rotron, Hasbrouck Lane, Woodstock, N. Y. Phone: (914) 679-2401.
SEE AT BOOTH 2E39-43.

Coaxial diode switch

Capable of operating at any 500 MHz band in the 7-12 GHz frequency range, the MA-8304 S is a low power spdt switch. It weighs 2.5 oz and has a switching time under 10 ns. Power handling capabilities are 25 W peak and 2 W average. Insertion loss is 1 dB and isolation is 20 dB. Uses include antenna lobing, system calibration and pulse shaping.

Microwave Assoc., Inc., Burlington, Mass. Phone: (617) 272-3000.
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CRTs

Three new CRTs are offered. The KC237P (pictured) is a line-scan type featuring a flat fiber optic faceplate; it is used to display separate line-scan for film readout. The KC2287P is a fiber optic tube with 3-in. diameter, designed for radar application to convert circle to line scan. The K2619P is a 5-1/4-in. faceplate, single beam type unit for computer readout.

Fairchild Dumont Div., Clifton, N. J. Phone: (201) 733-2000.
SEE AT BOOTH 2G03-13.

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Electrical feedthroughs
A series of 20-pin and 8-pin units is designed for passing multiple electrical connections into a vacuum system. The 954 is available unmounted or flange-mounted. Standard MS connectors and internal connectors that can be crimped or soldered to internal wiring are provided. The devices are rated 7 amps/wire, 700 Vdc or 500 Vac.
Varian, 611 Hansen, Palo Alto, Calif. Phone: (415) 326-4000.
SEE AT VARIAN, 2nd Fl.
Circle No. 652

Single-stage blower
Driven by an integral induction motor at 3350 rpm, the Series 925 is reported to give the same performance as a high-speed, brush type and/or multi-stage blower. The unit delivers 61 cfm in free air. Blower diameter is 9.6-in., including mounting pads; depth is 6.8-in., including motor. Typical uses are in fluid computers and as a tape transport vacuum.
Diehl Div., Singer, Somerville, N. J. Phone: (201) 725-2200.
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Operation is based on the use of two precision dual-heater thermistors in an automatic double-bridge circuit. By means of this bridge circuit the temperatures of both thermoelements are maintained constant to within 0.002°C.

This unit, model PR840 true rms to dc converter, fills the need for accurate, fast, and automatic measurement of sinusoidal and non-sinusoidal waveforms through the audio range and well beyond. It has a meaningful accuracy of 0.1% of full-scale, or 0.33% of reading. Linearity is 0.02% over a 4:1 input range. Response time takes typically 2.5 seconds to settle to within 0.1% of final value.

The new converter features input Z of 1 Meg, 25 pF max on the 1 V to 1 kV ranges; and 1 Meg, 100 pF max on the 30 to 300 mV ranges. Temperature range is 20-30°C. The unit’s output fullscale and impedance is 10 V: driving a 10 to 11 Meg or infinite load. The converter can be supplied to drive loads down to 1 Meg on special order.

Other features of the unit include

Rms-to-dc conversion

This audio range converter operates from double-bridged thermistors with error-correcting feedback holding their temperatures within 0.002°C. Linearity is 0.02%, accuracy is 0.01% full-scale, and common-mode rejection is 110 dB at 60 Hz. Stability is 0.02%/8 hrs.

common-mode rejection of 110 dB at 60 Hz for 1 k impedance in input low lead; output ripple less than 1 mV, and stability of 0.02%/8 hours. An auxiliary probe supplies a 10-Meg input impedance, with less than 7 pF input capacitance.

Applications for this converter range from ac signal-conditioning for digital voltmeters, to 0.01% ac-ac transfer work—with non-sinusoidal waveforms as well as quasi-sinusoids, typical in field measurement situations. The model PR-840 is guarded and shielded for compatibility with guarded digital voltmeters now on the market.

P&A: under $2,000; 90-120 days. Weston Instr., Weston-Rotek Div., 11 Galen St., Watertown, Mass. Phone: (617) 926-1750. TWX: (617) 924-1886.

SEE AT BOOTH 3K07

Circle No. 647
Standards potentiometer has 0.0003% accuracy

The model PVP-1001 Universal Standard Potentiometer is an extremely accurate device. All standards used are traceable to the National Bureau of Standards.

Accuracy in the 0-10 V, 0.1-1.1 V, and 0-1 V ranges is 0.0003% ± 1µV. In the 0-0.1 V range it is 0.0005% ± 1µV; in the 0-0.01 V range it is 0.0008% ± 0.1µV; and in the 0-0.001 range it is 0.0013% ± 0.001µV.

The unit consists of a standard cell ratio set, an ultra-stable, thermally lagged mercury working cell reference, battery adjust and calibrator rheostats, an accurate calibrated resistance chain, and an integral precision ratio range selector.

Primary standard accuracy is achieved by close control of error sources, and by designing around the JRL NB-1 primary standard resistor and the JRL standard oven (SCO-106).

P&A: $1925; 30 days (NBS certification at slight extra cost and delay). Julie Research Labs, 211 W. 61 St., New York, N. Y. Phone: (212) 245-2727.

SEE AT BOOTH 3G

Vector impedance meter

Vector magnitude, R, C, and L can be read with the model 320. No bridge balance is required.

Ac outputs give Z angle with a phasemeter. Dc output indicates Z amplitude and osc. frequency. 5 Hz to 500 kHz, 1Ω to 7 Megs, 1 µH to 100 kHz, 0.1 pF to 10,000 µF are the unit’s ranges. A 5 Hz to 5 kHz signal is available. The units may be portable or rack-mounted.


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Push-Button Bridge

Measures Impedance to 0.1% Accuracy

Once the Bridge is trimmed, a series of front-panel range push-buttons are suppressed in sequence until a reading is obtained on the meter. Setting up the first one or two digits of this reading on push-button decade controls gives the final reading.

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The Bridge produces analog voltage proportional to the meter readings and BCD (in a 1248 code), for the nixie readout.

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Circle No. 347

DVM plug-in

Designed for use with HP's Model 3440A digital voltmeter, model 3446A ac/dc remote plug-in unit makes it possible to remote-control the instrument's voltage range and/or function. The remote unit adds usefulness to the DVM in programmed automatic data acquisition or manual test service. DVM remains accurate.


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Circle No. 348

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Model SG-88 function generator creates any single-valued waveform. A rotating transparent disc with an opaque representation of the desired waveform is scanned by a narrow light beam. Lenses, mirrors, and a phototransistor convert the light to a signal producing a waveform (0.005-50 Hz at levels from +25 to -25 Vdc).

P&A: $2300; 30 days. Houston Omnigraphic, 4950 Terminal, Bellaire, Tex. Phone: (713) 667-7403.

SEE AT BOOTH 3K34-35

Circle No. 349

Log frequency converter

The model HLFC-120 frequency converter provides a dc output voltage directly proportional to the logarithm of the input frequency. Input can vary from 0.5 V to 100 V with high harmonics and not affect accuracy. Output is 100 mV at 350 ohms. Plug-in frequency discriminators cover 3 decades, 5 Hz to 20 kHz.

Houston Omnigraphic, 4950 Terminal, Bellaire, Tex. Phone: (713) 667-7403.

SEE AT BOOTH 3K34-3K35

Circle No. 350

FM/AM meter

Model 2300 covers a 4-1000 MHz frequency range, and measures deviation in five ranges: ±5, 15, 50, 150 and 500 KHz at modulating frequencies up to 150 KHz. The solid-state unit is unaffected by spurious AM to 80%. Deviation due from FM noise is under 15 Hz-15 KHz bandwidth.


SEE AT BOOTH 3G01-05

Circle No. 351

Automatic analyzer

Model 310B is a phase, amplitude and impedance analyzer provided swept frequency over the 20 MHz to 18 GHz range. When used with its companion resolver, it replaces slotted lines, reflectometers, insertion loss meters, Z plotters and bridges. It is suited to FM systems requiring phase and impedance control.

P&A: $8000; 8 weeks. Wiltron Co., 930 E. Meadow Dr., Palo Alto, Calif. Phone: (415) 321-7228.

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Circle No. 352

Circle No. 353

Circle No. 354
ADD new capabilities to your SM-2000 SWEEP GENERATOR

These two new plug-in oscillators permit fast or slow scanning rates with built-in frequency indication and they're both solid-state.

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- Ultra-stable Oscillator
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VR-2M Plug-in Oscillator

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- Variable Sweeping Rate
- Solid State Dependability

VR-50M Plug-in Oscillator

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CRYSTAL FILTERS?
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The combination of an SM-2000 Controller with the new VR-50M oscillator can deliver a display of frequency vs db over its entire range of 500 to 1000 MHz in a single trace. It can also sweep any portion of that range from 5% up, and at a rate variable from .01 to 100 Hz. It provides fast answers for check-out, alignment and testing of frequency response in IF, RF, and broadband video devices.

Combine all that performance with the VR-50's solid-state reliability, a .3v RMS level output, an integral, continuously variable frequency marker, and you have another reason why the SM-2000 is the most useful, inexpensive investment in swept instrumentation today.

Detailed specification on these two new oscillators, the SM-2000 control unit and 18 other plug-in heads will be sent on request, or contact your nearest Telonic representative.

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INSTRUMENTS—3RD FLOOR

Volt/ratio meter

Model DAN 60 differential volt/ratio meter combines 3 instruments: differential voltmeter, differential ratiometer, and null detector—into one package. The unit has two primary components—a complete differential voltmeter and a differential ratiometer. In addition, independent use of the transistorized voltmeter as a sensitive null detector is provided.

General Resistance, Inc., 430 Southern Blvd., Bronx, N. Y. Phone: (212) 487-0242. SEE AT BOOTH 3D08

Circle No. 507

Dc oscilloscope

Designed for use in industrial, academic, and medical laboratories, the 10-14 dc oscilloscope is available in either kit or wired form. The vertical channel of the scope has a dc to 8 mc bandwidth and a sensitivity of 0.05 V/cm ac or dc. The horizontal channel of the 10-14 has 18 triggered sweep rates in 1, 2, 4 sequence from 0.5 sec/cm to 1 usec/cm with an accuracy of ± 3%.

P&A: Kit $299, wired $399; April. Heath Co., Benton Harbor, Mich. Phone: (616) 983-3961. SEE AT BOOTH 3K13

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**Specifications**

- **VOLTAGE RANGE**: 0-3, 10, 30, 100, 300, 1000 volts. Can be operated up to 1000 volts above ground.
- **INPUT IMPEDANCE**: 100 k-10 megohms (depending on range).
- **PULSE WIDTH**: DC to 50 (typically 30) nanoseconds.
- **OPERATING MODES**: +, -, ± (DC or AC coupled).
- **READOUT**: 5" mirror-backed 1½ meter.
- **PRICE**: $695.00.

**Voltage/current source**

Designed for calibrating voltmeters, ammeters and wattmeters, the model 100 system is an ac voltage and current standard for separate or combined operation. The solid-state sine wave source offers ac emf from 1 mV to 1000 V at frequencies from 50 Hz to 10 kHz.


SEE AT BOOTH 3B00.

**Insertion loss tester**

Direct insertion loss in dB, eliminating calibration charts is featured in Model DB-3000-3. The battery-operated unit measures loss with ±0.007 dB absolute accuracy and ±0.002 dB relative accuracy, up to 1.0 dB. Measurements of ±0.01 dB are obtainable over one-third of its 29 dB dynamic range.


SEE AT BOOTH 3K27-29.
Sweep generator

A 10 kHz wide harmonic marker, said to be better by a factor of 40 over existing systems, is featured in model 1001 sweep generator. The solid-state unit operates over the 100 kHz to 20 MHz range. The marker can be selected to be 10 kHz, 1 kHz or 100 Hz wide. Operation of the generator can be in the swept or cw mode.

Telonic Industries, Inc., 60 N. First Ave., Beech Grove, Ind.
SEE AT BOOTHS 3K24-26.

Circle No. 355

DC voltmeter

A 0.002% dc voltage accuracy is featured in Model 740B Standard/Differential Voltmeter. It has 6 digital places, offered in discrete steps to 1 ppm resolution. As a dc source, the unit produces outputs from 0 to 1000 V. Accuracy remains for 30 days without recalibration, with temperature variations from 15-35°C.

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Added sensitivity eliminates the need for external or plug-in preamplifiers which may introduce phase errors of their own into the measurement.

Phase output is provided on a meter as well as in a voltage form with linear calibration from 0 to 180°. The voltage output for 180° is +1.8 V. This sort of voltage-to-angle equivalence makes the unit particularly suited to use with a digital voltmeter or recorder.

The meter also includes a +180° switch so that the operator can easily switch to a more convenient range. This feature is useful where measurements directly around 180° are involved. It is convenient to have these relationships occur around zero degrees, so that the meter doesn’t tend to swing back and forth between plus and minus 180°.

Input impedance is 1 Megohm by 20 pF.


SEE AT BOOTH 3B33

**Precision phase standard**

Accuracy of 0.018 deg is offered in this wide-band primary precision phase standard, type 209. Coverage is from 50 Hz to 10 kHz continuous, with self-calibration and self-checking by bridge balance. Phase shift can be set to 7-digit resolution from 0 to 360 deg. Unit is suitable for production line or for calibrating phase meters.

Ad-Yu Electronics, 249 Terhune Ave., Passaic, N. J. Phone: (201) GR2-5622.

SEE AT BOOTH 3D05

**Electronic counter**

When used with a voltage to frequency converter, the model EC 715 high speed counter/timer can function as an integrating digital voltmeter in addition to its counting and timing capabilities. The EC 715 unit is said to have all the operating modes usually found in much larger instruments which are normally used for similar digital applications. The count of the EC 715 is visually displayed on the front panel.

Specifications of the counter/timer include: accuracy, ±1 count plus 1 MHz crystal stability of ±0.1 ppm per week; temperature coefficient of the EC 715 is ±0.002 ppm per degree centigrade warmup. With an overall weight of 7 pounds the EC 715 counter/timer is described by the manufacturer as being a fully portable instrument.

P&A: $1450: 45 days. Aerojet-General, P. O. Box 216, San Ramon, Calif. Phone: (415) 837-5311.

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Designed for simplified operation, the wide-band digital phase meter, type 524A3, provides a direct readout of relative phase with an accuracy of ±0.03°. Frequency range is 20 Hz to 500 kHz and amplitude range is 0.3 volts to 50 volts. Phase angles from 0° to 360° can be measured without making any instrument adjustments.

An analog output provides direct connection to recorders or programmable systems. This output has a characteristic impedance of approximately 200 kΩ and provides a voltage of 1 mv per 0.1° of phase angle. The digitized output may be read out to four places with the digital indicator, type 524R1.

Instrument accuracy is not affected by the presence of either even or odd harmonics which have either 0° or 180° of phase difference with the fundamental. There is no ambiguity or instability in making measurements in the vicinity of 0° or 180°.

The instrument may be used to plot phase characteristic curves from 20 Hz to 500 kHz and delay distortion curves for telephone lines and communication systems. Phase characteristics of heavily distorted signals may also be plotted if the unit is used in conjunction with the Dual Channel Synchronous Filter, Type 1034, also manufactured by Ad-Yu Electronics, Inc.

Ad-Yu Electronics, Inc., 249 Terrace Ave., Passaic, N. J., Phone: (201) GR2-5622.

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Circle No. 539
Why specify Mallory MTP wet slug tantalum capacitors?

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- they don’t need voltage de-rating!

Suppose you need a high-reliability capacitor for a miniaturized circuit. You know working DC voltage, required capacitance, ambient temperature. What capacitor will meet these parameters in minimum size?

Our answer—the Mallory MTP wet slug tantalum capacitor. $C \times V$ “density” of the MTP goes up to 172,000 mfd-volts per cubic inch—about 5 times as much rating per unit size as solid electrolyte tantalum types.

Next step—pick the exact rating you need. The circuit says 30 volts. So you decide to specify a 50 volt unit. Right?

Wrong. You don’t need to de-rate the MTP. Contrary to long-standing belief, operating at reduced voltage neither improves nor impairs performance. Not for this capacitor. We’ve made tests to prove it. Here is typical data:

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*RV: Rated DC Voltage

Running the MTP at rated voltage can often help you make further savings in size. 33 mfd at 60 volts, for instance, goes in a “C” case, .225” in diameter and .775” long. But a 33 mfd 50 volt rating fits in the “B” case, which is only .145” in diameter and .590” long. And the cost is about 13% lower.

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Phase angles ranging from 0 to 180 degrees can be read directly on the meter located on the phasemeter's front panel. The phasemeter's output signal can be used to trigger external equipment for control of phase shift. The unit is capable of handling signals ranging in frequency from 5Hz to 500 kHz with a reading accuracy of ± 1 degree. Weight of the portable phasemeter is 5 lbs.

P&A: $950; 45 days. Aerojet-General Corp., P.O. Box 216, San Ramon, Calif. Phone: (415) 837-5311.
SEE AT BOOTH M16-17

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Circle No. 560

Circle No. 537
Dual trace oscilloscope

A dc to 200 kHz frequency response is featured in the OCA-12A dual trace scope. Sensitivity is 20 mV p-p/ division. Linear time base is triggered or repetitive. Sampling display is from 3 to 300 cps. The 9-lb unit accepts either 115 or 230 V input voltage, and can be converted for rack mounting.

The OCA-12A is intended for use in industrial servicing and educational field, where it is desirable to observe phase and magnitude relations between input and output. Other features of the OCA-12A are: Dual or single trace at will; sensitivity, 20 mV peak to peak per division; low frequency response, to dc; frequency compensated attenuators "gain" and calibrated output, 20 mV to 50 V; p to p/div in 11 steps using 1-2-5 sequence; trigger and repetitive linear time base, using a single time constant; sampling or alternate operation, automatically selected by sweep range switch; rectangular display, 13/4 x 23/8 inches divided in 0.2 division; signal display, only during "go" time of sweep; automatic sync, without use of level and magnitude controls; dual voltage input, either 115 or 230 volts and 50 to 400 Hz.

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digit from 1 µA to 1 A with the use of 3 current ranges (0.001 mA-9.999 mA, 0.00 mA-99.99 mA, and 000.0 mA-1000.0 mA. One µA steps up to 1 A can be programed by means of the current decades and current range selectors.

Voltage programing can be either 4 or 5 digit, covering a range of 0.001 V to 100 Vdc in 1 mV increments.

Both voltage and current decades use precision control resistors and reed relays.

This unit fits 19-in. relay racks and features modular programmability with easy access to test points. A standard constant voltage, constant current unit can be converted to a constant voltage unit with current limiting, or to a constant current supply with voltage limiting. This is done by replacing programing boards. If a unit with better stability and temperature coefficient is needed, either or both voltage or current reference and amplifier boards can be changed.

Any code can be substituted for the 1-2-4-8 binary, by replacing voltage or current decade boards with those coded for the desired input. Other relay coil voltages are also available.

P&A: $1500-$1750; 12 weeks.
Electronic Measurements Co. Div. of Rowan Controller, 30 Bridge, Red Bank, N. J. Phone: (201) 747-5094. TWX: (201) 741-0771. SEE AT BOOTH 2G14

Circle No. 651

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Plug-in cards for reference supplies, amplifiers, and voltage and current decades are included. All control functions are directly driven from relay drivers of a computer into a connector at the rear of the DCP800. A 1-2-4-8 binary code is the standard input for both current and voltage.

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## Notes:

- a. Rotor to stator phase shift. Rotor to compensator Ø shift ranges from 0° to 6° minutes.
- b. Functional accuracy
- c. Available with either 10", 7", 5", or 3" accuracies as RJ980-41, JR980-41, JR980-41, or JR980-41 respectively.
- d. Interaxis error
- e. Angular accuracy

Operating temperature range for all units except CZ9 5082 001 is -55°C to +125°C. Max. temperature for CZ9 5082 001 is +85°C. Higher temperature models available. Components having higher accuracies than those shown are also available.

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Operating Temperature Range for all units is -55°C to +125°C. High temperature units (200°C) are also available.

Unless otherwise noted, all units have a frequency of 400 cps.

Size 8 and Size 11 units conforming dimensionally and electrically to standard Bu/Ne/etc., designated synchros are available. We can also provide linear induction potentiometer in Size 8 and Size 11 units. Certain 60 cycle components also available.

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SEE AT 3J07-09  Circle No. 371

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Coleman Engineering Co., Inc., Box 1974, Santa Ana, Calif. Phone: (714) 546-1600.
SEE AT BOOTH 3G12.  Circle No. 372

Tape printed data in binary form is presented by the Modu-printer series. According to size, they have capacities for 9, 14, or 20 bits. Each bit needs 6 ms minimum to reach 1 or 0. The installed modules may be moved to either position without decoding from binary sources. Maximum line printing rate is six per second.

P&A: $215; 4-6 wks. Presin Inc., 226 Cherry St., Bridgeport, Conn. Phone: (203) 333-9491.
SEE AT BOOTH 3A47.  Circle No. 374
**Portable recorder**

Model P-5000 recorder/reproducer, in 7- or 14-track configurations, operates at 2.0 MHz, with up to 120 ips tape speed. The units servo system has low-time-displacement error (4 µs at 60 ips, 6 µs at 30 ips, and 10 µs at 15 ips).

The unit weighs 140 pounds, and has airborne, ship, and mobile applications as a predetection, telemetry, or instrumentation recorder.

Winston Research, Fairchild, 6711 S. Sepulveda Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. Phone: (213) 670-3305.

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*Circle No. 375*

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TRG, Route 110, Melville, N. Y. Phone: (516) 531-0600.

SEE AT BOOTH 2D43.

Circle No. 377

GSE power supply

Features designed to exclude transistor series regulator circuitry are reported for a 0-500 A, 28 Vdc power supply. One of a series of units built to NASA specs, others are rated at 50, 100 and 250 A, with output voltages of 24-40 Vdc. Line and load regulation are ±0.1%. Calculated MTBF ranges up to 198 K hours. All rated units fit 19- and 24-in. racks.

Perkin, 345 Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif. Phone: (213) 772-2171.
Phone: (213) 2171.

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Circle No. 378
Digital program clock

A digital clock reads out 24 hours in hours and minutes. It features integral time base, BCD control contact closure at five intervals from 1 minute to 1 hour, and an inhibit circuit to prevent ambiguous readings. Used with voltmeters or thermometers and a printer, it provides a "time/voltage" or "time/temperature" system.

SEE AT BOOTH 3A34-35
Circle No. 379

Scientific calculator

The model 320, desk top calculator provides sum, difference, product, quotient, square, square root, natural log, and exponent.

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P&A: $4500-$9700; 30-60 days. KRS Instruments, Div. Data-Pulse, Inc., 780 Arroyo Parkway, Pasadena, Calif. Phone: (213) 681-7016.

SEE AT BOOTH 3K27

Circle No. 381

Here’s a digital clock-time code generator using integrated circuit logic. It can provide BCD outputs of time and date in either parallel or serial form, or in any combination.

Output pulse train is width-modulated to distinguish between 0 and 1. For tape recording or com links dc level shift can be used to modulate a carrier. It uses a Nixie display.

Parabam, Inc., Hawthorne, Calif.
SEE AT BOOTH 3A42

Circle No. 382

A guarded high-precision potentiometer, known as the K-5 model contains improvements over the earlier K-3. Range and balancing controls are aligned from left to right in order of usage.

Volts to 5 (or 6) digits are read with three switch decades and a detente slidewire of 115 divisions. Error is ±0.003% of reading + 2 uV max.


SEE AT BOOTH 1B18-20

Circle No. 383

Chassis-mounted multi-switch and program boards with mechanical pull-out and lock-in features are equipped with lever handles that are designed for positive latching of the drawer in the rack. It can make or break multiple pin connectors mounted at the rear of the chassis. Pin friction of up to 400 pounds is easily overcome.

Sealectro Corp., 225 Hoyt St., Mamaroneck, N. Y. Phone: (914) 698-5600. TWX: (710) 566-1110.

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Circle No. 384

Electronic Design
Power supplies

Three new lines of power supplies are offered. The 24 compact models in the ED/EA line (shown) feature the "Duet" twin amplifier for controlling voltage and current with automatic crossover to either mode. The L Series offers 720 models with up to 1.8 Kw output. Model 2909 features advanced circuitry.

Delton Inc., 4th and Cambria, North Wales, Pa. Phone: (215) 739-1101.
SEE AT BOOTH 2H50.
Circle No. 557

Universal recorder

Model 6521 Recorder provides a wide-speed range strip chart recorder, an XY recorder that can control its own test, and a sequential chart mode where the paper advances after a given time or XY test. Chart movement can be controlled directly from external encoders or analog transducers. Paper can reverse for curve families.

P&A: $2700; 4-6 weeks. Houston Omnigraphic, 4950 Terminal, Bellaire, Tex. Phone: (713) 667-7403.
SEE AT BOOThS 3K34-35.
Circle No. 558

Pulse generator

A 40 MHz pulse generator, model 111 features an independently variable linear rise and fall to 2 ns. Outputs are single or double pulse to ±5 V, with full baseline offset. Variable pulse delay from 10 nsec advance to 50 nsec delay and leading edge to leading edge double pulse separation to 20 nsec are offered.

SEE AT BOOThS 3K27-29.
Circle No. 559
Two-channel function generator gives sines and cosines

A new two-channel function generator is intended for analog computations involving sines and cosines. It has been designated model 530 by the manufacturer, and is a printed-circuit card module, fully compatible with the rest of the manufacturer's 500 series elements operating at ±100 V output. This unit rounds out the analog capabilities of the line.

The 530 may be mounted in the 560 cabinet with power supply, multipliers, amplifiers, and fixed function generators.

The generator features a maximum static error of less than 25 millivolts, a sine capability of ±270°, and a cosine capability of ±180° to -270°. The operational amplifier output generates -sin X and -cos X in the range of ±100 V.

An active error suppression method is used for an accuracy of better than 0.025%. Built-in amplifiers provide very stable and accurate line-segments in the critical portions of the non-linear curves, and resistor-diode network drift becomes negligible.


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W. A. Miller, Oquossoc, Me. Phone: (207) 864-3344.

SEE AT BOOTH 4C28

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Hot-carrier diode opens new vistas for designers of high-frequency and microwave devices. Fast, quiet and well-behaved, it combines best of 2 ‘worlds.’

The hot-carrier, or Schottky-barrier, diode bridges the gap between the $pn$ junction diode and the point-contact diode, and, in so doing, it makes possible new design approaches to many high-frequency and microwave devices.

A newcomer that combines the favorable properties of both $pn$ and point-contact diodes, the hot-carrier already is finding widespread use in the design of microwave mixers and detectors.

What are its main properties and how does it work?

The hot-carrier diode has these desirable characteristics:
- Fast turn-on and turn-off.
- Low noise.
- Very uniform forward and reverse behavior.
- Lack of charge storage.

In pulse operations, for example, the new diodes are useful for fast gating, clamping, sampling, waveform generating and logarithmic conversion in the fractional nanosecond region.

In the microwave area, they are useful as mixers, detectors, power monitors and rectifiers, limiters, discriminators, harmonic generators, and ultra-fast switches and modulators at nanosecond rates.

The uniformity of forward characteristics between diodes permits a relatively easy and economic selection of matched pairs or quads for use in balanced circuit configurations, or where accurate tracking between circuits is required.

Essentially the hot-carrier diode is a rectifying metal-semiconductor junction. The metal-semiconductor interface can consist of a variety of metals in conjunction with either $n$-type or $p$-type silicon. In general, $n$-type silicon is preferred, because its higher electron mobility results in better high-frequency performance.

The diode is a more efficient rectifier at high frequencies than a $pn$ junction type is, because it does not store minority carriers during normal operation (Fig. 1). It is similar in concept and in operation to the ideal point-contact diode, inasmuch as both employ a Schottky barrier and both are based on majority-carrier conduction. In practice, however, their characteristics are quite different (Fig. 2). In the practical point-contact diode, a sharp metal whisker makes contact with the semiconductor element. The hot-carrier diode has a true Schottky-barrier, which is a planar-area contact between the metal and the semiconductor. The planar contact results in uniform contact potential and uniform current distribution throughout the junction. This, in turn, results in:
- Lower series resistance.
- Lower noise.
- Higher power capability.
- Greater resistance to transient pulse burnout.

Equivalent circuit shows current dependence

The hot-carrier diode’s performance conforms closely with theory. Its low-level $V-I$ characteristics can be accurately described by the following equation:

$$i = I_s \left( \exp \left( \frac{qv}{nkT} \right) - 1 \right)$$  \hspace{1cm} (1)

where
- $I_s$ = saturation current ($8 \times 10^{-9}$ A for -hpa-2300 series).
- $q$ = electron charge (1.6 $\times$ 10$^{-9}$ coulomb).
- $T$ = temperature ($°$K).
- $k$ = Boltzmann’s constant (1.38 $\times$ 10$^{-23}$ joule/$°$K).
- $n$ = diode ideality factor (1.05 for -hpa-2300 series).
- $v$ = the voltage across the diode junction (volts).

Since $n$ is close to unity, at room temperature ($T = 300°$K) Eq. 1 can be simplified to:

$$i = I_s \left( \exp \frac{v}{26} \right) - 1,$$  \hspace{1cm} (2)

where $v$ is now in millivolts.

The voltage $v$ in Eqs. 1 and 2 is the portion of the applied external bias voltage that appears at the diode junction. At dc and low frequencies this voltage is equal to the total bias voltage, $V_a$. At microwave frequencies $V_a$ is reduced by the presence of a series inductance and a junction capacitance. This is clear from the equivalent circuit of the diode (Fig. 1). The values of the parameters depend on the specific diode.

The junction resistance $R_j$ and the junction capacitance $C_j$ are both functions of the current through the diode.

The junction resistance can be obtained from Eq. 2 by differentiation:

$$R_j = \frac{dv}{di} = \left( \frac{26}{I_s} \right) \exp \left( -\frac{v}{26} \right)$$  \hspace{1cm} (3)

If $v$ is much greater than 26, or if $i$ is much

greater than \( I \), further simplification is possible:

\[
R_j = \frac{26}{i}
\]

where \( i \) is in milliamperes.

The junction capacitance \( C_j \) can be obtained accurately from the depletion-layer capacitance expression for a step junction:

\[
C_j = C_j(0) \left( 1 - \frac{V_b}{V_b'} \right)^{1/2}
\]

where

- \( C_j(0) \) = the zero bias junction capacitance (typically 0.8 pF).
- \( V_b \) = the built-in potential (\( \approx 0.45 \) electron volts).

Typically the series resistance \( R_s \) is about 11 ohms, the package capacitance \( C_p \) is 0.15 pF and the package inductance \( L_p \) is 3 nH, if we assume zero lead length outside the glass envelope.

### Mixing and detecting are main functions

Among the many applications of the hot-carrier diode, the most interesting are those of mixing and detecting. The high-frequency attributes of the diode and its characteristic behavior become most evident then. Each application imposes different requirements.

In mixers the diode's noise figure, conversion losses and IF and RF impedances are the critical factors.

In detectors we must distinguish between small-signal and large signal types. In small-signal detectors the most significant factor is sensitivity, which is affected by the diode's rectification efficiency, output impedance and noise properties. In large-signal types the emphasis shifts to the linear range of the V-I characteristic, its reverse resistance and breakdown voltage, and its series resistance.

### Noise figure depends on mixer circuit

The noise figure of a receiving system, consisting of a mixer followed by a high-gain IF amplifier, is:

\[
NF_0 = 10 \log \left[ L_m t_m + (F_{IF} - 1)L_m \right] = 10 \log L_m (F_{IF} + t_m - 1),
\]

where:

- \( L_m \) = the effective mixer conversion loss.
- \( t_m \) = the effective mixer noise temperature.
- \( F_{IF} \) = the noise factor of the IF amplifier.

The terms \( L_m \) and \( t_m \) are characteristics of the mixer and are not the inherent conversion loss, \( L_m \), and the noise temperature ratio, \( t_m \), of the diode. However, it is common practice to state the diode’s attributes in terms of its performance in a specific mixer circuit and, hence, to use the terms...
For an average hot-carrier diode, the loss decreases rapidly as the temperature in a given band is:

$$L_m = \frac{2}{L_m} \left[ t_d \left( \frac{L_m}{2} - 1 \right) + 1 \right] \quad (7a)$$

For the image-open or shorted case, the expression becomes:

$$L_m = \frac{1}{L_m} \left[ t_d(L_m - 1) + 1 \right] \quad (7b)$$

The noise temperature, $t_d$, is independent of the mixer's frequency. It depends on the quiescent bias current through the diode and on the IF. The variation of $t_d$ (in dB) with the IF for several values of current is shown in Fig. 3 for both a hot-carrier and a 1N21G low-noise, point-contact diode. These curves show that $t_d$ varies inversely with frequency at low frequencies and has a finite, and constant, minimum value at high frequencies. For the hot-carrier diode, $t_d$ can be described accurately:

$$t_d = t_w + \frac{KJ_d}{I_0} \quad (8)$$

The first term in this equation is a constant that stands for the shot and thermal noises. The second term represents the flicker, or $1/f$, noise. $I_0$ is the diode current. For an average hot-carrier diode, $t_d$ is typically 0.8, which is lower than for the point-contact types. This is the result of the planar junction, which assures uniform contact potential. $K_u$ is usually around 1.8 Hz/µA. By integrating over the band, we find that the noise temperature in a given band is:

$$t_d = t_w + \frac{KJ_d}{B} \ln f_d \quad (9)$$

where:

- $B$ = the bandwidth ($f_2 - f_1$),
- $f_2$ = the upper frequency,
- $f_1$ = the lower frequency.

The noise characteristic in Fig. 3 and the conversion loss determine the noise figure of a mixer for any given IF and bandwidth. The conversion loss, $L_m$ in Eq. 6, is the effective loss realized in a specific mixer. It is really a sum of three types of losses.

The first type of loss depends on the degree of match obtained at the RF and IF ports. It can be expressed as:

$$L_1 = 10 \log \left( \frac{S_1 + 1}{4S_1} \right) + 10 \log \left( \frac{S_2 + 1}{4S_2} \right), \quad (10)$$

where $S_1$ is the RF vswr and $S_2$ is the IF vswr.

The second loss represents a loss of signal power due to the series resistance, $R_v$, and the junction capacitance, $C_j$, in the diode. The amount of this loss can be evaluated from the diode's equivalent circuit. This loss is the ratio of the input RF signal power and the power delivered to the junction resistance:

$$L_2 = 10 \log \left( \frac{P_{in}}{P_j} \right) = 10 \log \left[ 1 + \frac{R_j}{R_i} + \omega^2 C_j^2 R_j S_j \right]. \quad (11)$$

$R_i$ is the time average value, established by the local oscillator (L.O.) drive. The loss becomes a minimum when $R_i$ is equal to $1/\omega C_j$:

$$L_2(\text{min}) = 10 \log \left( 1 + 2\omega C_j R_i \right). \quad (12)$$

To achieve this value at a specific operating frequency, the L.O. drive level must be increased until the required $R_i$ is reached. This level of drive is the optimum required at that frequency. For example, at 2 GHz it is approximately 1 mW for the -hpa- 2350 diode. The loss described by Eq. 11 is more pronounced at lower drive-signal levels than at high ones. This can be compensated for by introducing a constant dc bias on the diode in the forward direction. The increase in the drive signal brings along a decrease in the noise. However, care must be exercised in this trade-off to avoid introducing excessive noise with the dc bias current.

The third factor affecting the overall conversion loss is the actual conversion loss at the diode junction. This depends mainly on the forward V-I characteristic. If the V-I characteristic is expressed as:

$$i = K \frac{v^x}{\sqrt{1 + \gamma_2 - 2\gamma_1^2}} \left( 1 + \frac{1 + \gamma_2}{1 + \gamma_1} \right)^{\gamma_1^2}, \quad (14)$$

where:

- $i = d \log i / d \log v$ (a logarithmic relation of the diode's V-I characteristics),

This was plotted while the image frequency in the mixer was matched. As a result, the diode has wide dynamic range.
5. The value of $x$ is the slope of the log-log plot of the V-I characteristics, shown here. For hot-carrier diodes $x$ is much larger and remains constant over a larger range of diode current than for point-contact types. This results in low conversion losses over a very broad range of local oscillator drive in mixers.

\begin{align*}
\gamma_1 &= \left( \frac{x-1}{2} \right)^2 \\
\gamma_2 &= \left( \frac{x+1}{2} \right)^2 \frac{x-3}{2}
\end{align*}

From the plot of Eq. 14 (Fig. 4), we can conclude that the conversion loss decreases rapidly for increasing $x$. The value of $x$ is the slope of the log-log plot of the V-I characteristics, and it can be determined from:

\begin{equation}
\frac{\log i_2}{\log v_2} = \frac{i_2}{v_2} = \frac{x}{x_1},
\end{equation}

where $i_2 > i_1$ and $v_2 > v_1$. From the plot of this equation (Fig. 5), it can be seen that $x$ is about 8.8 for the hot-carrier diode and it remains high and constant over a large range of diode current (0.01 to 10mA). For the point-contact diode $x$ is about 4.3, and its range is from 0.2 to 5mA. This means that the hot-carrier diode can have a low junction conversion loss over a very broad range of L.O. drive.

The curves in Fig. 5 imply two addition facts:

- High L.O.s level will yield a very large dynamic range, up to the point where the decrease in $x$ will affect the conversion loss.
- Low L.O. drive levels will yield good sensitivity.

Besides these two conflicting restrictions, the drive signal is mainly limited by the need to minimize $L_o$.

The over-all conversion loss is the sum of these three factors: $L_{in} = L_1 + L_2 + L_0$ dB.

**Impedance depends on drive signal**

In addition to the diode's noise properties, two more characteristics have bearing on the practical design of hot-carrier diode mixers. These are the RF and IF impedances of the diode.

At typical IF (30 to 60 MHz), the reactances due to $L_v$, $C_p$ and $C_j$ are negligible. Therefore the IF impedance is a pure resistance. The typical value of this resistance (given in Fig. 6) indicates that for the optimum L.O. drive of 1 mW, it is around 180 ohms. This is about one-half the value obtained for point-contact diodes, and it is in the range of the normal impedance levels of low-noise, transistorized IF amplifiers. This considerably reduces matching problems. For example, in the case of balanced mixers, the combined impedance of the two diodes is about 90 ohms, and practically no matching is needed.

At higher RF the impedance is influenced by $C_p$, $C_j$ and $L_v$. Therefore the impedance becomes
complex and depends on the frequency, the drive signal and on the output RF load.

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As mentioned, the diode affects the detector's sensitivity by its rectification efficiency, output impedance and noise properties.

The rectification efficiency of the diode is usually stated as either its current sensitivity, \( \beta \) — meaning the ratio of incremental output current to the RF input power — or its voltage sensitivity, \( \gamma \) — meaning the ratio of incremental output voltage to the RF input power. The two are interrelated,

\[
\beta = \frac{\Delta i}{P_{in}},
\]

and

\[
\gamma = \frac{\Delta v}{P_{in}} = \beta R_v,
\]

where \( R_v \) is the dynamic resistance of the diode, called video impedance or video resistance.

By a Taylor expansion of the diode's characteristic, represented by \( i = I_s (e^{u/n}) \), where \( u = q/\sqrt{2}kT \) (Eq. 1), it can be shown that the current sensitivity is:

\[
\beta = \frac{u}{2} \left[ \frac{1 + (Au/4)^2}{1 + 2(Au/4)^2} \right],
\]

where \( A \) is the peak amplitude of the voltage at the diode junction.

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7. Upper limit of square-law operation in small-signal detectors depends on the amount of deviation from square-law detection, denoted by \( \Delta \). This deviation appears in Eq. 18, where the bracketed factor will become larger than unity.

The upper limit of square-law operation is shown in Fig. 7, as the bracketed term deviates from unity by 0.5, 1 and 1.5 dB.

The low-level current sensitivity for these diodes is typically 18.4 \( \mu A/\mu W \) for an \( n \) of 1.05. For higher values of \( n \), \( \beta \) will be correspondingly smaller. For the point-contact diode, the value of \( n \) at low signals is typically 1.7-1.9, and the corresponding current sensitivity is 11-10 \( \mu A/\mu W \).

The current sensitivity, as defined above, is based on the junction characteristics of the diode and does not include the effects of the series resistance and the junction capacitance of the diode. These effects can be included by defining a conversion efficiency of the diode as follows:

\[
\beta_c = \beta \left( \frac{P_i}{P_{in}} \right)
\]

The factor \( P_i/P_{in} \) represents the ratio of the power delivered to the junction to the input power. This factor depends on the frequency and the bias, and it increases rapidly with the latter at low bias levels (Eq. 11).

In normal detector operation the self-bias current is extremely small, resulting in low \( \beta_c \). This situation can be improved by a forward external bias on the diode. It also lowers the RF and the output, or video, impedance of the diode. The lower RF impedance makes it easier to match the input impedance of the diode to the usually low impedance of the RF source (typically 50 ohms). The lower output impedance permits the use of a lower input impedance in the amplifier and results in increased bandwidth for the output circuit. This is particularly beneficial when transistorized amplifiers, with low input impedances, are used. However, there is also a limit as to how much bias can be tolerated. This limit is set by the 1/f noise characteristics of the diode, shown in Fig. 3, and by the amplifier's noise properties.
8. The dc tangential sensitivity, $T_S_{dc}$, decreases with increasing bias current and with increasing $R_a$. $R_a$ is the noise resistance of the amplifier used in the detector. Consequently a trade-off possibility is indicated. The optimum amount of bias depends on the effect of the conversion efficiency and the noise on the sensitivity of the detector.

**Trade-offs to optimize sensitivity**

The most common definition of sensitivity in industry, the tangential sensitivity ($TS$), will be used here, even though it is a highly subjective measurement and depends upon the operator. It corresponds to a signal-to-noise ratio of approximately 2.5. With Eqs. 16 and 18, the $TS$ can be stated as:

$$TS = \frac{5i_n}{u \left( \frac{P_i}{P_{in}} \right)}$$

(20)

where $i_n$ is the total noise current at the input to the amplifier. It includes the contributions of the diode junction (given by Eq. 9); of the diode's dynamic resistance, $R_v = R_j + R_s$; of the load resistance, $R_l$, and of the equivalent noise resistance of the amplifier referred to the input, $R_a$. With the simplifying assumptions that $R_v/R_l < < 1$ and $R_t > 5 R_v$, the following expression for $i_n$ can be obtained:

$$i_n = \frac{4kT\beta}{R_v} \left( 1 + \frac{R_s}{R_j} \right)$$

(21)

where $\beta$ is the bandwidth of the output circuit. Substituting this into Eq. 20 and rearranging terms, we can express the $TS$ as follows:

$$TS_{(dBm)} = 10 \log \left[ \frac{5\sqrt{4kT\sqrt{R_v + R_j}} \sqrt{R_i + R_a}}{u \frac{R_i}{R_j}} \right] +$$

$$10 \log \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{f_c}{f_e} \right)^2 \right] + 5 \log B$$

(22)

where $f_c = \sqrt{1 + R_i/R_j} \left( 2\pi C_v \sqrt{R_v R_j} \right)$

(23)

($R_i = R_a +$ flicker noise, which starts to become important below 100 KHz).

The first bracketed term in this expression can be considered as the “zero frequency” tangential sensitivity, $TS_o$. This term depends on $R_a$ and $R_i$. The latter is a function of bias current, and $R_a$ is a constant for a given amplifier. The variation of $TS_o$ with the bias for several values of $R_a$ is shown in Fig. 8. $TS_o$ decreases with increasing bias. (Fig. 9 shows the diode.)

The second bracketed term, here defined as $TS_i$, accounts for the variation in sensitivity with the RF frequency and the cut-off frequency. The latter term changes with the bias current. The effect of this dependence is an increase in sensitivity with increasing bias (Fig.10).

The last term in the expression accounts for the usual variation of sensitivity with bandwidth.

The optimum bias current for any given RF frequency and noise characteristic can be obtained by considering the variation of the slopes of $TS_o$ and $TS_i$ with bias. A plot of these slopes is shown in Fig. 11. The optimum bias current is found at

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the intersection of the specified $R_s$ curve with the required frequency curve. The values of $TS_s$ and $TS_r$, corresponding to this bias point, are then obtained from Figs. 8 and 10, respectively. The final tangential sensitivity for a specified bandwidth is obtained from Eq. 22. A comparison of the predicted and measured $TS_s$s of the -hpa- 2350 diodes, at a 27-$\mu$A bias, is shown in Fig. 12.

The output resistance of the diode, $R_s$, is also established by the choice of bias current, since it is equal to $R_s + R_v$. For the best sensitivity and the highest square-law range, the load resistance should be as high as possible relative to the diode output resistance. Therefore the lower output resistance, made possible by the bias, results in a lower load impedance. Since the load is usually the input resistance of an amplifier, this places less stringent requirements on the input resistance of the amplifier.

The output resistance of the diode, in conjunction with the capacitance of the output circuit, also determines the bandwidth of the output circuit. The lower output resistance of the diode permits the use of higher output capacitances, which are needed to maximize the RF power delivered to the diode.

**How to design large-signal detectors**

In large-signal or linear detection the most important characteristics of the diode are its low series resistance, large linear range of the V-I characteristic, high reverse resistance, and high reverse breakdown voltage.

The requirements for the RF input circuit for large-signal detectors are the same as for low-level detectors: The circuit must be designed for a good match or low VSWR.

The RF bypass capacitance at the output of the diode must be high enough to provide a good short at the RF frequency, consistent with the RC requirements of the output circuit.

The RC time constant of the output circuit must be sufficiently small to assure that the output voltage follows closely the peaks of the modulated RF signal. The RC time constant is therefore a function of both the maximum modulation frequency and the index of modulation. Because of the high reverse leakage characteristics of point-contact diodes, the RC time constant is highly influenced by the reverse resistance of this diode, and it is dependent on the drive level. The extremely high and constant reverse resistance of the hot-carrier diodes relieves this restriction, and therefore the design of the output circuit depends only on the modulation requirements.

The linear range of the diode must be sufficiently large to assure linear detection at the crest and valley points of the modulated RF waveform, as determined by the modulation index. Because of the high levels of drive used in linear detection, the diode is usually substantially back-biased. Under these conditions, the ability to operate in the linear region at both the crest and valley points of the modulated waveform is determined by the reverse breakdown voltage. Higher reverse breakdown voltage of the hot-carrier diode allows operation at higher peak signal voltages, thereby assuring linear detection for larger modulation indexes or higher available power levels. For hot-carrier diodes, the minimum RF signal level at which peak detection begins is approximately 0.1 volt rms. The upper limit is that at which the peak-to-peak RF voltage equals the reverse breakdown voltage, or $BV/2\sqrt{2}$ volts rms.

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12. A comparison of measured and calculated sensitivity values for hot-carrier diodes indicates a close correlation. The test conditions were determined for an -hpa- 2350 diode.
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Try capacitance transducers. You just might be surprised at the advantages. Here are equations and useful circuits for applying this versatile sensor.

If capacitance transducers had feelings, they might feel neglected. They have been available for decades, and they have certain inherent advantages; yet engineers have not exploited them nearly as much as other transducer types—such as, linear variable voltage transformers, potentiometers or strain gages. Why?

In large part the neglect has been due to difficulties encountered with associated circuitry and to misapplication. But, with care, these pitfalls can be avoided. The advantages of the capacitance transducer can then be used in a diversity of applications.

The principle of the capacitance transducer is simple. All that is required is that the physical parameter being measured or controlled be made to produce a capacitance change. This change is then sensed by one of many different types of electrical circuits. As shown in the accompanying table, many physical parameters can be sensed in this way.

**Dielectric constant is frequency dependent**

Basic capacitance theory is well enough known to forego repetition of it. However, there is one theoretical consideration of special significance for transducer purposes. That is the relaxation time associated with the dielectric constant of a material.

Normally the dielectric constant is considered in either a static electric field or in one where the frequency is low enough to permit the dielectric dipoles to achieve a steady-state condition during each cycle. The formation of the dipoles, however, consists of moving masses (the electrons and nuclei), which have inertia. It is thus apparent that as the electric field frequency is raised, a condition will be reached where the inertia of the dipole will be too great to respond to the change in the electric field. Consequently the apparent dipole moment will be reduced to its intrinsic value, or the one it would have without the presence of the

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**Capacitance transducer applications**

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electric field. This phenomenon is shown in Fig. 1 for a material of low density. Although the relaxation frequency (\(\omega\)) varies with different materials, it generally lies at or above a frequency of about \(10^8\) cps. As a result, the apparent dielectric constant decreases from its original, or so called static, value (\(\varepsilon_s\)) toward its so called optical value (\(\varepsilon_{oo}\)), with the latter being equal to the square of the index of refraction. It can be shown that for low-density materials the relaxation frequency occurs at the value

\[
\varepsilon_s + \varepsilon_{oo} \over 2
\]

This phenomenon can be recognized as one commonly associated with reactive circuits, where the quantities are vector rather than scalar. The dielectric constant can thus be considered to be made up of both a real and imaginary component, such that the real component (\(\varepsilon'\)) is

\[
(\varepsilon_s + \varepsilon_{oo}) / 2
\]

and the imaginary component (\(\varepsilon''\)) is

\[
(\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_{oo}) / 2
\]

The tangent of the angle of the ratio of these two components, \(\tan \delta\), is the dissipation factor. An interesting plot showing this parameter in a pure dielectric, with the theoretical values indicated, is presented in Fig. 2. This phenomenon at the sub-optical frequency is one that may be very useful in instrumentation, both as an analytical tool and as a means for sensing mass or flow.

**Application dictates transducer configuration**

To use capacitance techniques to sense the presence or amount of materials, or as pressure or displacement sensors, it is necessary to put the sensing elements into one of many different forms, so that they become transducers. The number of possibilities is limited only by the imagination and ability of the application engineer and designer. The most common forms—as well as some that are not so well known—are shown in Fig. 3a through 3k, where dimensions are given in inches, angles in degrees and capacitance in picofarads (pF). In the equations shown on these illustrations, all logarithms are to the base 10.

Fig. 3a shows the most common capacitor, which consists of two or more flat plates with or without a dielectric between them. Since it is frequently necessary to protect the plates or electrodes of a capacitive transducer with a nonconductive coating, the expression for the capacitance of a device like this, with more than one dielectric, is given for both the flat plate (Fig. 3b) and the cylindrical form (Fig. 3d). It should be noted that, in general, the contribution of each dielectric is always the sum of 1 over each thickness divided by its dielectric constant. The maximum value of the capacitance is always equal to the capacitance that will be obtained if one of the dielectrics becomes a conductor, with the other dielectric being of the value and thickness chosen. The resulting function of capacitance vs changing dielectric constant is a curve that is asymptotic to the capacitance of the single dielectric device.

In the measurement of liquid level, a very common form of capacitance transducer is the one shown in Fig. 3c and 3d. Fig. 3c depicts one cylinder inside of another in the form of a coaxial capacitor. A linear capacitance versus liquid-level function is obtained as an insulating liquid rises between the two electrodes. However, if the liquid being measured is conductive, the inner electrode must be insulated to prevent it from being short-circuited, and the arrangement becomes that shown in Fig. 3d.

The curve in Fig. 4 shows the capacitance of such a device, with a 3/8-inch metal rod covered with a 1/16-inch-thick Teflon sleeve, sealed at the bottom. This is the sort of curve that is used by application engineers who specify capacitance probes for electrically nonconductive materials whose dielectric constants range between 1 and 50.

From a practical point of view, there are not many cases when the dielectric constant of the material suitable for capacitance gauging is over approximately 30, although some long-chained molecules with higher values are found in the chemical and pharmaceutical industries. Fig. 4 shows the variation in probe capacity, both as a function of different dielectric constants and as a function of the diameter of the outer electrode.

1. *Dielectric constant decreases* with increasing electric-field frequencies of about \(10^8\) Hz and higher. This is shown for a low-density material.

2. *Resonant-like characteristic* is exhibited by the dielectric constant when it is considered to be made up of a real and an imaginary component.

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3. Transducer arrangements and capacitance formulas.

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This outer electrode, in practice, is generally the wall of the tank, which is at ground potential. It is interesting to note how quickly the effect of the outer wall falls away as the ratio of the probe-to-tank diameter increases.

In using the curve of Fig. 4, the application engineer determines the capacitance of a given dielectric constant and tank diameter, and he subtracts from it the capacitance of a dielectric constant of 1, representing the case with the tank empty. The usable capacitance function then is the change in capacitance as the material is introduced into the tank.

From the expression given in Fig. 3d, one can see that there is a linear function between the level of the material and the output capacitance. It is, however, not a linear expression for increasing dielectric constant. This, however, is not of serious consequence once a given material is chosen, so long as either the dielectric does not change or the device is used in such a manner as to discriminate between the presence or absence of the material—as in discrete level sensing. If the dielectric constant does change, there are a number of methods that can be used to compensate for it and provide true level sensing.

The formula in Fig. 3e for an eccentric cylinder is presented not so much as a practical formula for a capacitance transducer but rather to enable the designer to determine the effect of eccentricity of the center electrode when employing coaxial capacitors. A plot of capacitance vs. the distance from the center axis will show that this type of capacitor is extremely stable as the center electrode is moved over short distances, and also as the diameters change as a result of the expansion of the electrodes with temperature.

The arrangements of Figs. 3f and 3g are for a cylinder next to a flat wall. The equations for these are similar to those for the coaxial arrangements (Figs. 3c and 3d). The curves in Fig. 5 are for the arrangement of Fig. 3g. As would be expected, they are similar to those of Fig. 4, except that their absolute values are lower. This type of curve can be used when the sensor is near a flat wall, when the eccentricity in a tank is great, or when an attempt is being made to determine the capacitance of a small cylinder or rod next to an irregularly shaped wall.

The arrangements in Figs. 3i and 3j are useful for determining the effect of rotary displacement of plates or sections of cylinders. These types of

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4. **Probe capacitance** varies as a function of dielectric constant as well as the diameter of the outer electrode.

5. For a cylinder next to an infinite wall, the capacitance variations are similar to those for the coaxial-cylinder case, although the absolute values are lower.

6. **Large displacements** of the transducer are possible with the coaxial-cone arrangement, because of the minimizing of fringing effects.

7. **Basic RF oscillator circuit** has a disadvantage in that it responds to the capacitance of the lead connecting the transducer to the measuring circuit.

Sensors are most frequently used in transducers with a mechanical input that is rotary rather than linear, as is the case with pressure transducers or tuning capacitors.

An interesting capacitance transducer form is shown in Fig. 3k. There are two coaxial cones, one fixed and the other moving along the central axis common to both. In previously discussed transducer arrangements, the function of capacitance vs. displacement of the electrodes was generally a linear one. However, it is only linear so long as fringing effects are discounted. When a capacitance transducer is to be used over a very wide dynamic range, the fringing effects cannot be discounted, with the result that the amount of useful displacement of the transducer is limited. With coaxial cones this is very much less the case, since the electric field between the two cones is designed to be self-containing rather than spreading, as in the other devices. With this configuration a variation in capacitance of over 100-to-1 can be produced by a mechanical change of slightly over 10-to-1 (Fig. 6).

Many measuring circuits possible

The measuring circuits associated with all
capacitance transducers are devised to measure a change in capacitance, since no transducer of this type starts with a zero value. Consequently all of the circuitry must be set up to provide a zero offset, or otherwise take into account the starting, or zero, capacitance.

**RF oscillator circuits are oldest**

The oldest type of capacitance transducer circuit employs a radio-frequency oscillator. The circuit can take any of a number of different forms, but always it includes a parallel capacitance and inductance leg. In this circuit the capacitance transducer is either the complete capacitance of the oscillator circuit, or it is in parallel with the primary capacitance, so that when the capacitance changes, the oscillator frequency changes. By proper selection of the values of \( L \) and \( C \), the oscillator may be made to start and stop oscillating as the capacitance of the transducer changes through some predetermined value.

One form of this circuit is shown in Fig. 7. The circuit is very simple, frequently requiring only one transistor or vacuum tube. In the most commonly used forms, however, it suffers from one serious drawback. This is caused by the fact that both the capacitance transducer and the capacitance of the lead going to the transducer are in parallel with the oscillating circuit. So the circuit will respond not only to the capacitance changes of the transducer but also to the capacitance changes in the shielded wire or coaxial cable. With such circuits calibration must be done with the wire in place and then the effect of the wire balanced out.

In the event it is necessary to place the transducer any distance from the electronic circuitry, the value of the capacitance of the wire becomes much larger than the value of the capacitance change being produced. Under these conditions the system has a tendency to become unstable. Nevertheless circuits of this general type are widely used, and they are completely practical for many applications where the transducer is a simple Teflon-coated probe and where the process is being controlled in an ON-OFF manner.

**Bridge circuits can measure continuous changes**

Bridge circuits are capable of measuring both discrete and continuous capacitance changes. Such circuits were pioneered by a number of companies that manufacture military fuel-quantity gages.

One form currently in wide use for ON-OFF control in a number of different variations is shown in Fig. 8. The circuit consists of an oscillating bridge-detector, generally operating in the audio-frequency range. The transfer function of the circuit is shown in Fig. 8b. The circuit is arranged so that oscillation occurs when the differential capacitance exceeds a certain value. The oscillation is then used to operate subsequent drive circuits or relays.

This circuit has two features not found in that of Fig. 7. The transducer-lead shield is not in parallel with the capacitance of the transducer, and therefore has only minor effects on the operation of the circuit. Since the operating frequency is low, long sections of shielded wire can be used, making it practical to place the transducer hundreds of feet from the circuit. The other advantage is that the operating point can be readily changed, or even switched to produce a differential effect, by simply changing the value of the reference capacitor.

Another type of bridge circuit for continuous measurement of capacitance is shown in Fig. 9. This is essentially a self-balancing servo, where the position of the motor-driven potentiometer is directly proportional to the value of the transducer capacitance \( C_T \). Note again that the lead going to the high-impedance electrode of the transducer is not in parallel with the transducer, so that the electronics may be placed at a considerable distance. Practical values here range into the thousands of feet, when the operating frequency is under 1 kHz and the probe capacitances are on the order of the 100 pF.

Modifications of Fig. 9 substitute an all-electronic, self-balancing network for the electro-
10. Light-sensitive resistors and light sources can be used as the balancing elements in an electronic self-balancing bridge network.

11. Output current in this ratio-type arrangement is proportional to the displacement of the common electrode of the transducer.

12. Dc output voltage that is a linear function of transducer capacitance is produced by this rectifier-type circuit. Either one or both of the capacitors may be a transducer.

13. Integrator network is formed by resistor R and the transducer in this circuit.

mechanical self-balancing servo. A variety of methods can be used to generate a rebalance voltage proportional to the transducer capacitance.

In Fig. 10 one such method is shown, where the rebalance is a potentiometer made up of lightsensitive resistors. The output is the junction between the resistors. For practical use, some means of either stabilizing the input bridge voltage, or using a stabilized output voltage or a ratio, is required different. Several means are possible.

A bridge circuit for transducers used for pressure measurement is shown in Fig. 11, where the capacitor output is a ratio rather than a differential signal. If the current is taken as the output, then the displacement of the common electrode of the capacitor (x) is a linear function of the output current.

An interesting and extremely simple circuit is that in Fig. 12. It uses a low-frequency ac or rf excitation, but it produces a dc current or voltage directly. The output is a linear function of either of the capacitors, each of which may be transducers, or of both of the capacitors connected as a differential transducer. With a drive signal of 46 volts rms at 1.3 MHz, a variation of -7 to +7 pF will cause a change in the output voltage of from -5 to +5 volts dc into a 1-megohm load. This sensitivity is at least 10 times greater than that of most of the other circuits described.

A somewhat simplified form of the network of Fig. 12 is shown in Fig. 13. In this case the transducer is used merely as one element of an integrator. This circuit requires carefully regulated sine- or square-wave inputs, followed by a high-impedance voltage amplifier. If the frequency is high enough and the conditions specified above are met, this can be a very simple method of measuring a multitude of capacitance transducers, since they may all use a common supply source.

One final class of circuits has been used for capacitance transducers. These, like the one in Fig. 7, use an oscillator. However, rather than operating as ON-OFF devices, they use the capacitor to modulate the carrier frequency. Since the modulation is FM, the advantages of low noise and good fidelity may be obtained. This type of circuit is especially useful for rf telemetry.

These, then, are examples of some of the more practical measuring circuits for capacitance transducers. There are, of course, endless variations.

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New FETs replace tubes in audio equipment on a one-for-one basis. The advantages include higher gain and reduced distortion, with little parameter drift.

A new breed of junction field-effect transistors—FETs with high breakdown-voltage ratings—is putting the squeeze on vacuum tubes heretofore used in line-operated audio equipment. Unlike most bipolar transistors (which typically show a 2:1 substitution ratio), the FETs can replace the tubes on a one-for-one basis.

Among the audio-circuit applications for this FET type are source-followers for pre-amplifying and buffering, phase-splitters, high-fidelity drive stages and phase inverters. A close look at the design, characteristics and ensuing performance of each demonstrates the advantage of FET usage here.

The FET approach yields high gain, lower noise, less distortion and little parameter drift. Moreover the temperature stability of the FET obviates the need for a compensating circuit adjustment for wide-range, ambient temperature environments.

Source-follower leads the way

The FET source-follower circuit is incorporated directly or in essence in each of the audio stages in the accompanying diagrams. In the basic follower configuration (Fig. 1a) the output, or source, follows the input, or gate, because of the negative series voltage feedback arrangement. This type of feedback decreases output impedance and increases input impedance. The feedback factor of the circuit is, by definition, equal to unity, since all of the output signal is applied in series with the input signal.

If $A$ is the gain before feedback of a standard common-source amplifier, the gain with feedback of the source-follower or common-drain circuit is denoted by $A'$ and is given by

$$A' = A / (1 + A).$$

The input impedance $R_{in}'$ with feedback is readily derived as

$$R_{in}' = R_{in} / (1 - A'),$$

where $R_{in}$ is the input impedance without feedback and $A'$ is the voltage gain of the source-follower. Similarly the output impedance is given by (approximately)

$$R_o = 1/g_m,$$

where $g_m$ is the effective circuit transconductance.

The factor $1/(1 - A')$ may be used as a figure of merit for source followers. When $A'$ is closest to unity, this factor is a maximum, and therefore the feedback is highest. This is achieved when the gain without feedback (the gain from gate-to-source to source-to-ground) is largest. This mode of operation entails use of the same design procedures as are used for FET voltage amplifiers, with respect to bias and load resistance and supply voltage.

The influence on performance of this gain without-feedback factor ($A$) is plainly seen; measurements on the circuit of Fig. 1a agree with Eqs. 1 to 3. For example, a value of $A = 70$ leads to a gain with feedback of 0.985 and an impedance multiplication factor of 666. The latter figure represents more than 6000 $\Omega$ with a gate impedance of 10 $\Omega$ (neglecting shunted gate-to-drain resistance). The output impedance is of the order of 500 $\Omega$, for a transcondance of 2000 $\mu$-mhos.

An undistorted view of loading

The output capability for the source-follower is identical to that of a common-source stage; however, the distortion below overload is considerably better in the former because of the feedback. The

1. The FET source-follower stage is a basic audio circuit (a). It exhibits high input impedance and low output impedance because of the negative feedback employed in the source. Use of the FET yields higher gain and lower distortion and drift than in vacuum tube (b) and bipolar (c) counterparts. Input impedance of the tube cathode follower approximates that of the FET, but the single-stage bipolar circuit features only 200 kohms input impedance.

2. Direct-coupled source-follower circuit employs a FET to obtain a high gain-bandwidth product (a). This stage makes for an excellent audio preamplifier output stage. A comparison of its overload characteristics with those of other basic audio circuits (b) shows its low-distortion and high-output capability.

A source-follower is especially useful whenever an extremely high input impedance or a low output impedance is desired. It should not, however, be applied in all cases. To cite a few, it should never work into a load smaller than 100 kΩ, or be used with a generator resistance higher than the input resistance before feedback (10 MΩ in Fig. 1a).

Tests indicate that optimum performance is obtained with the source set at 65% of the supply voltage. This condition is obtained by a 3-kΩ bias resistor for the Dickson DNL-1.8A FET. This bias resistor may be bypassed to avoid local (current) feedback. However, the improvement rendered by the bypass is hardly noticeable and rarely needed. The frequency response of the source-follower in Fig. 1a is down 3 dB at 290 kHz with a source resistance of 100 kΩ. This corresponds to a total input capacitance (including socket) of 5.3 pF.

The performance with tube (Fig. 1b) and bipolar (Fig. 1c) counterparts of the FET source-follower is below that obtained with the FET. For example, gain is lower, distortion higher and the tendency to drift (with temperature and time) is considerably greater.

Moreover the input impedance of the tube circuit is slightly less than that of the FET, and filament power is needed. With a single-stage bipolar transistor, the input impedance is of the order of 200 kΩ—far below the FET figure. However, the bipolar's output impedance is much lower.

**Pre-amp uses direct-coupled follower**

The optimum gate voltage of a source-follower is usually very near one-half the supply voltage, as is the case with a common-source amplifier. Consequently a direct-coupled circuit (Fig. 2a) is attractive for applications requiring low-output
impedance or a high gain-bandwidth product. Typical of these would be an audio preamp's output stage, and as a basic building block in dc amplifiers. The representative bandwidths and gains of this circuit are given in Table 1. Its overload characteristic is plotted in Fig. 2b alongside those of other basic audio stages.

Phase-splitter halves load

A typical FET phase-splitter is diagrammed in Fig. 3. This is an adaptation of the source-follower, with the load split equally between drain and source. Resistors of 47 kΩ were found to be best for performance, independent of the FET used or the supply-voltage level. This is analogous to the 100 kΩ load which is best for conventional FET source-followers.

Because the output signal is split, only half of it is now available; however, the feedback is nearly as effective. Figure 2b also shows how distortion is rapidly reduced below the overload level with this circuit. Note that the application of a higher supply voltage would result in an increased output level, until breakdown in the FET is reached. With available devices, as much as 30 volts' output can be obtained from a FET phase-splitter.

The results are comparable to those available with vacuum tubes. For example, a pair of EL 84 tubes used in a 15-watt amplifier need drives of about 5 volts each, while a pair of EL 34s deliver 100 watts in a push-pull circuit for a drive level of 23.4 volts each. Such a drive is available from a FET with a 160-volt breakdown, with less than 1% distortion when a 160-volt supply is used.

Higher quality with FET hi-fi-driver

In high-fidelity power amplifiers, a standard high-quality tube system used to consist of a voltage amplifier, a phase-splitter or inverter, driver stages and a push-pull output stage. Recently an improved circuit version dropped the need for driver stages: Phase splitters were used to drive the output stages directly. This concept, which used a pentode in the first stage, led to better balance and extra gain. However, the pentodes often show excessive drift in the screen characteristics. In turn, this results in increased distortion levels, even with over-all feedback. Bipolar transistor designs also fail to combine superior performance with circuit simplicity.

Present solid-state high-fidelity amplifiers, using bipolar transistors, exhibit amplifier performance that is close to that obtained with vacuum tubes. However, this is accomplished with a great many more stages and more complex circuitry, including multiple-feedback loops and special temperature compensation. Even with this bipolar armada, production spreads in the devices produce distortion at levels of 20 to 30 dB below rated output (normal listening levels). In some cases this figure exceeds 10%.

FETs, with their high gain and low distortion characteristics, fill the bill nicely.

Figure 4 is the schematic of a direct-coupled FET input stage for a high-fidelity power amplifier. Since the phase-splitter's output capability is below that of the common-source stage (see Fig. 2b), the biasing here must be adjusted to favor the phase-splitter. Because optimum performance is normally achieved in FET circuits with the drain-to-source voltage at 45% of the supply level, the gate voltage should run at about +33 volts dc. Note that this is not the optimum drain voltage of the first stage, which is +55 volts.

Somewhat improved performance in the first stage can be achieved by lowering the supply voltage (for the first stage) with the components shown in Fig. 4 in dashed form. These are not extra components, because they are usually needed for decoupling and line-filtering purposes. Because of the compromise taken in decoupling, the performance here is not quite as good as with either stage alone or with both capacitively coupled. However, the phase shift at low frequencies is better in this circuit than in the two others. In any event the FET circuits (Figs. 2a and 3a) offer better performance than the best tube counterparts (Table 2).

Look to the source for inversion

The FET source-coupled-phase-inverter circuit (Fig. 5) may be used to obtain a higher output level. However, balance of better than 10% is realized only with a large source impedance, typically of the order of 100 kΩ. It is possible to use the output characteristic of a transistor for this purpose, but then one more bipolar is needed. The use of a resistor leads to a large voltage drop, which reduces the output capability. Separate bias resistors are sometimes used for better dc-balance, but this entails extra components.

Note that this FET circuit has no better output capability than the FET direct-coupled phase-
4. Hi-fi power amplifiers may be driven by this direct-coupled FET phase-splitter. High gain and low distortion are provided by the phase-splitter and source-follower FET combination. The dashed components are used for filtering.

splitter, and it has less gain and requires well-matched FETs. It therefore appears that the best over-all circuit is the one given in Fig. 4. Should more output capability be required, a higher supply voltage and a higher breakdown-rated device would be the logical means of obtaining it.

Bias key to amplifier design

The techniques used in FET audio-circuit design closely resemble those used with vacuum tubes. The key elements of design are the bias, the load and the supply. In essence, the FET common-source amplifier is a major part of each of the five audio stages under consideration.

Here is the step-by-step procedure for designing a FET common-source amplifier:

1. Use a device with a closely specified bias point.
2. Load resistance is a compromise between distortion and gain. A value of 100 kΩ is the best all-around figure; it results in the lowest distortion. A 47-kΩ value produces wider bandwidths, but less gain and more distortion, than the 100 kΩ. A 220-kΩ resistor yields more gain, but there is more distortion and less bandwidth than with 100 kΩ. For audio work, 100 kΩ appears best, regardless of the particular FET or the supply voltage.
3. Supply voltage should be picked for maximum output voltage and gain. The gain increases 3 dB every time the supply voltage is doubled. Output voltage increases directly with supply voltage. Therefore use the highest supply voltage possible.

Note that maximum supply voltage is determined by breakdown, because the audio-output voltage shows no further increase with supply voltage once breakdown is reached. Observe that damage to the device is of no consideration with load resistances on the order of 100 kΩ. The maximum supply voltage is then about 2.2 times the breakdown voltage, because the drain voltage under optimum conditions is very close to 45% of the supply.

For standardization, supply voltages at 30, 60, 120 and 240 volts have been chosen, with 120 volts as the first choice. This implies a breakdown of 55 volts for small-signal and 110

### TABLE 2. Phase-splitter performance (fig. 4)

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**first and second stage, respectively
Reap another beneFET! In addition to the superior performance FETs offer in audio equipment, they require (top) less in the way of associated components and size than bipolar (middle) and tube (bottom) counterparts.

**TABLE 3. Phase-inverter performance (fig. 5)**

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*Unbalance-1.5 dB

volts for large-signal applications.

**Gate circuit closes design**

4. Gate bias is the last remaining parameter. It is best set by a resistance in series with the source terminal of a FET (analogous to the cathode resistor with tubes). To obtain correct biasing, a bias-point with a narrow tolerance must be specified. The source resistor is then determined by dividing the optimum gate bias by the drain current. Drain current is given by supply voltage minus drain voltage divided by load resistance. For example, with a 120-volt supply, the drain voltage is 55 volts. Dividing the 65-volt difference by 100 kΩ, we get a drain current of 0.65 mA. If the optimum gate bias is -2.7 volts, this requires a self-bias resistor of $2.7/0.65 = 4.15$ kΩ. Choose either 3.9 or 4.3 kΩ if standard values are desired.

As an alternative, the manufacturer's data sheet may be used. Take the resistance values from the sheet, which lists optimum load and bias resistances, supply voltages, distortion, gain and other data for a practical circuit. However, only a few FET manufacturers provide this information at present.

5. Note that a source-follower is designed in exactly the same way as a common-source amplifier, with respect to bias, load resistor and supply voltages. In a phase-splitter the load resistor is split into two equal values. Because of the 100% feedback factor ($\beta = 1$) of a source-follower, the exact bias point is less critical. This permits a direct-coupled design, as in Fig. 4, where the signal and bias voltage levels are close. The elimination of distortion caused in interstage networks (diagonal loading) helps to offset the distortion caused by operation not quite at the optimum bias point.

Observe that common to each of the circuits covered is the element of design simplicity. In comparison, to its tube and (especially) bipolar counterparts, the FET requires little in the way of auxiliary components. With power-FETs waiting in the wings (devices capable of handling a few amperes under line voltage operation), this simplicity feature will become even more eminent.

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Simplify NAND-circuit synthesis in your next logic design. Here are various methods for implementing a logic function entirely with NAND gates.

With NAND gates enjoying widespread popularity as basic logic elements, designers are often faced with a problem: How to synthesize minimized logic circuits consisting entirely of NAND-gate circuitry. A variety of solutions are available.

The simplest method of implementing a logic function with NAND blocks is to plot the function on a Karnaugh map, obtain the minimized form and convert this to a NAND form, using De Morgan's theorem \((AB = A + B, A + B = AB)\). An example of this is shown in Fig. 1. Although the minimal form of the function is easily converted to a form that can be directly implemented by NAND circuits, the result contains both the complemented and uncomplemented forms of the input variables. Additional inverters are needed if only the uncomplemented input functions are available.

Another technique, which provides greater flexibility, is to alter the output function equation directly. This method of synthesis is shown in Fig. 2—for transforming an AND/OR circuit to a NAND circuit.

Fig. 2 demonstrates that in the transformation from AND/OR to NAND circuitry, any variables present at odd levels are complemented. This is based on an output function whose last level is an OR. Fig. 3 shows another transformation. This type of AND/OR to NAND transformation holds true for more complex functions, where the output level is defined as the first, or odd, level of logic, the second level is even, the third odd, and so on.

Figs. 2 and 3 illustrate the ease of transforming from AND/OR to NAND logic, but again with the disadvantage of requiring both the functions and their complement. This requirement may be eliminated if the equation can be rearranged so that all complemented functions are at odd levels of logic. Then the complements can be dropped in the transformation, as was previously shown. Fig. 4 demonstrates how the equation for Fig. 3 might be rearranged, so that complemented functions or inverters would not be needed. Certain theorems

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1. DeMorgan's theorem can be used for quick conversion of a function to a NAND form. But the results contain complemented and uncomplemented variables.

2. AND/OR TO NAND transformation results in the complementing of all variables that are present at odd levels. Variables at even levels are not.

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are very useful for separating the complemented variables to odd logic levels (see box).

It should be realized that the foregoing methods do not always insure complete elimination of the need for inverters. More important, the logic designer cannot easily see whether or not his circuit is a minimized one.

**Map factoring may be best**

Probably the best method to date for design of NAND logic is one developed by Gerald Maley and John Earle. It utilizes map factoring to obtain a minimum form that contains only uncomplemented variables. This is done by using only those map loops that contain uncomplemented variables. Fig. 5 shows these allowable loops for three- and four-variable maps.

The example in Fig. 6 demonstrates the principle of the mapping method. If a loop function \( A \) (allowable loop) is the input to a NAND gate (1) and the output of this gate is fed into a second NAND gate (2) along with another loop function \( B \), the output of gate 2 will be loop \( B \) inhibited by loop \( A \), with a complement over the resultant loop \( C \). This complement over the resultant loop gives the loop the power of inhibition, if in turn is fed into a third NAND gate along with some other loop function. When this method is used, either all of the "1" blocks or all of the "0" blocks of the map are generated. It must be remembered that when these resultant loops are generated, they are complemented.

Figs. 7 and 8 show how the "1" blocks of a simple function are generated and then combined to form the output function. When the loops representing the "1" blocks are fed into the output NAND gate, we are essentially inhibiting unity (a "1" or an open circuit input to the output NAND gate) with these loops. The output of the NAND represents the "0" blocks complemented ("\( \bar{0} \)"), or the "1" blocks.

In Fig. 7 the \( BC \) loop is generated (loop 1) and

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**Useful theorems for separating complemented variables**

1. **Distributive law:**
   
   \[
   \overline{A}B + \overline{C}D = (\overline{A} + \overline{C})(\overline{B} + \overline{D})
   \]
   
   This form now requires the addition of a constant (0) to change the output level to an OR function.

2. **Addition of a constant:**
   
   \[
   (\overline{A} + \overline{C})(\overline{B} + \overline{D}) = (\overline{A} + \overline{C})(\overline{B} + \overline{D}) + 0
   \]
   
   This 0 at the output level (an odd level) changes to a 1, or an open circuit input, in the transformation to NAND.

3. **Association:**
   
   \[
   A(\overline{B} + \overline{C} + \overline{D}) = A[B + (\overline{C} + \overline{D})]
   \]
   Isolating the complemented variables allows the use of partial multiplication to separate them to an odd logic level.

4. **Partial multiplication:**
   
   \[
   A[B + (\overline{C} + \overline{D})] = AB + A(\overline{C} + \overline{D})
   \]
   
   The use of this theorem puts complemented variables at an odd logic level and uncomplemented ones at an even logic level.

5. **Addition of redundant terms:**
   
   By adding redundants to two or more terms, we can make them identical and create the need for only 1 gate.
   
   \[
   A(B + \overline{C}) + B(\overline{A} + \overline{C}) + C(\overline{A} + \overline{B}) = A(\overline{A} + B + \overline{C}) + B(\overline{A} + \overline{B} + \overline{C}) + C(\overline{A} + \overline{B} + \overline{C})
   \]
5. Map-factoring method makes use only of map loops that contain uncomplemented variables. For functions containing three variables there are seven allowable loops; and for those with four variables there are 15 loops.

6. Either all "0" or all "1" blocks of the map must be generated when using the map-factoring method.

Fig. 7. Each NAND block corresponds to one of the loops generated on the map by the inhibiting process.
8. Complexity of the map-factoring method increases with the number of variables. Here, five loops are required in order to generate all of the “1” blocks of the map and produce the desired NAND function.
In the output produced by the map factoring results in the "1" blocks complemented, or "1".

The output to complement "1" and generate the "1," or "1," blocks. Fig. 9 demonstrates this approach.

Although the mapping method becomes inherently cumbersome as the number of variables increases, it can be very useful in solving problems with a small number of variables. In addition it often can guide the designer to a good solution that may not have been achieved with another method.

The mapping method described here also has several advantages when used in the design of sequential circuits, in addition to the expected aid in circuit synthesis. First, when the output function is derived from the output matrix, any resulting feedback loops may form an R-S flip-flop that can be implemented with a standard integrated circuit block. Second, static hazards, which can be more easily seen on a map, can be eliminated by the use of redundant loops.

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It is no longer difficult to obtain moderately high bandwidth and fast speed from a magnetic-deflection display system. For large display tubes, these key performance criteria can be made to equal those obtained with electrostatic deflection when the amplifier-yoke complex is connected in a feedback loop.

Magnetic-deflection methods top electrostatic approaches when it comes to design freedom, reliability, size of the system, power-supply requirements and quality of the display itself. Having examined these characteristics and the general design considerations, (ED, March 1, p 46), we turn to the analysis and actual design of a number of practical stages.

Emitter-follower circuits are often used to obtain single-ended deflection. These are characterized by a feedback arrangement and a preamplifier, wherein the yoke is part of the output amplifier stage (Fig. 1). Analysis shows the preamp, not the yoke, to be the bandwidth-limiting factor. Note that negative feedback is obtained by placing a small current sampling resistor \( R_L \) in one coil lead. Its voltage drop is therefore proportional to the coil current.

To ease the analytical treatment, the gain-frequency curve of the amplifier is assumed to have a single breakpoint at the angular frequency \( \omega_0 = 2\pi f_0 \) (or an equivalent time constant \( T_c = RC = 1/\omega_0 \)) and a constant slope of 6 dB per octave. This approximation will result in slightly shorter settling times than are usually experienced in multistage amplifiers. Since \( R_L \) is small with respect to \( R_c \) (a practical ratio is 1:1000), its loading effect and that of the coil capacitance on the coil circuit are neglected. The coil resistance \( (R_c) \) is assumed to be zero, which is a valid assumption for low-inductance yokes. If \( R_c \) is relatively large (as with high inductances), simple scaling methods can be applied to include its effect. Finally the amplifier input impedance is assumed to be infinite.

Step inputs require damping

To derive the input-to-output relationship of the amplifier-yoke complex, \( G(s) \) is used as the forward transfer function. It comprises both the amplifier with its time constant \( T_c = RC \) and the coil circuit, described by the coil time constant \( T_L = L/R_L \) (Fig. 2a). \( C(s) \) is the system output voltage measured at the series resistor \( R_L \), and it therefore represents the coil current. \( R_L(s) \) is the reference input, or the effect of input voltage \( E_1(s) \) at the summing point.

The transfer function for the circuit is

\[
C(s) = \frac{G(s)}{1 + G(s)H},
\]

where \( G(s) = A/(1+sT_c) (1+sT_L) \), \( H = R_c/(R_1+R_c) \) and \( R_L(s) = E_1(s) R_c/(R_1+R_c) \). In these relationships, \( A \) is the preamplifier open-loop gain, \( T_c \) is the amplifier time constant with \( T_c = RC = 1/\omega_0 \), \( T_L = L/R_L \) is the coil time constant, and \( \omega_0 \) is the 3 dB point of the gain-frequency curve.

The input-to-output transfer function is therefore

\[
C(s) = \frac{E_1(s) n A}{A + (1+n) (1+sT_c) (1+sT_L)},
\]

where \( n = R_c/R_1 \).

If the system input is a step function defined as \( E_1(s) = E_1/s \), the transfer function becomes

\[
C(s) = \left( \frac{E_1 A n}{1 + n + A} \right) \frac{1}{s \left[ \frac{s^2 (1+n) T_c T_L}{1 + n + A} + \frac{(1+n) (T_c + T_L)}{1 + n + A} + 1 \right]}.
\]

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1. In a single-ended deflection system the yoke is connected to the output of an emitter-follower stage. A voltage-drop sample of coil current is then fed back to the preamplifier. Observe that the preamp is the limiting factor on over-all bandwidth.
The solution (to Eq. 3)* for the unit step becomes
\[ C(t) = \frac{E_i A_n}{1 + n + A} \]
\[ \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}} e^{-\xi \omega_1 t} \sin(\omega_1 \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \cdot t - \Psi) \right] \]  \hspace{1cm} (4)
where
\[ \xi = \frac{1 + m}{2\sqrt{m}} \sqrt{\frac{1 + n}{1 + n + A}}, \omega_1 = \frac{1 + n + A}{(1 + n)T_c T_L}, \]
\[ n = \frac{R_m}{R_1}, \quad m = \frac{T_L}{T_c}, \quad \text{and} \quad \Psi = \tan^{-1}(1 - \xi^2)^{1/2} \]

Note that \( \xi \) is the damping ratio, which determines whether the system is overdamped, critically damped or underdamped. This depends on whether \( \xi \) is larger, equal to or smaller than unity.

Equation 4 shows that for \( \xi < 1 \) the final output level of \( nAE_i / (1 + n + A) \) is reached within a given accuracy after a number of exponentially decaying sinusoidal oscillations (Fig. 2b). Typically the gain \( A \) is usually large with respect to \( n \) but may not be large with respect to \( m \). Thus, the value for \( \xi \) is usually smaller than unity (for example, \( \xi = 0.4 \) corresponds to a 25% overshoot).

The exponential term \( e^{-\xi \omega_1 t} \) describes the maximum deviations from the steady-state output or the worst-case error. The actual error will then always be equal or less than \( e^{-\xi \omega_1 t} \). The peak error is therefore \( \epsilon\% = e^{-\xi \omega_1 t} \times 100 \) and since \( \xi \omega_1 = \frac{1 + m}{2} \frac{T_L}{T_c} \),

the peak error is
\[ \epsilon\% = e^{-\frac{1 + m}{2} \frac{T_L}{T_c} t} \times 100 \] \hspace{1cm} (5)

Figure 2c shows a normalized plot of the error vs time curve for various time-constant ratios. It can be used to determine the settling time of an underdamped system. If, for instance, \( T_L = T_c \) or \( m = 1 \), the coil current is within 1% of its final value after an elapsed time of 4.5 \( T_L \). It is interesting to note that in a second order system the settling time is independent of amplifier gain \( A \) and feedback ratio \( n \), as illustrated. These two parameters, in conjunction with \( m \), influence only the frequency of the oscillations. This frequency is given by \( f_o \) equal to
\[ \frac{\omega_1 \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{4Am - (1 + n)(m - 1)^2}{1 + n} \] \hspace{1cm} (6)

Rewriting the exponent of Eq. 5 as \((1 + m)/2T_L = 0.5 \) \((T_L + T_c)/T_c T_L\), we note that if \( T_L = T_c \), both time constants have an equal effect on settling time. To increase the display bandwidth, either the amplifier time constant \( T_c \) or the coil

*The time function for the normalized quadratic equation (which resembles Eq. 3) \( 1/(s^2/\omega_1^2 + 2s/\omega_1 + 1) \) is found in Nixon, "Handbook of Laplace Transformation," p 71.

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3. Longer time lags are the result of a ramp (instead of a step) function being applied to the input of Fig. 2a. A plot of the resulting output waveform (a) is used to determine the transient and error portions. Here $C_1(t)$ represents the ideal case and $C(t)$ the actual signal. The amount of ramp delay is a function of both amplifier gain and bandwidth, and (of course) the system time constants ($T_L$ and $T_c$) (b).

$$C(s) = \frac{E_1 A n}{t_0 (1 + n + A)} - \frac{1}{s^2} \left( \frac{(1 + n) T_c}{1 + n + A} + \frac{n}{1 + n + A} \right)$$

(7)

The solution in the time domain is:

$$C(t) = \frac{E_1 A n}{t_0 (1 + n + A)} \left[ t - \frac{2 t}{\omega_1} + \frac{1}{\omega_1 \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}} e^{-\omega_1 t} \sin \left( \omega_1 \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} t - \Psi \right) \right]$$

(8)

where

$$\Psi = 2 \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}}{-\xi}, \xi = \frac{1 + m}{2 \sqrt{m}}, \sqrt{1 + n + A},$$

$$\omega_1 = \sqrt{\frac{1 + n + A}{(1 + n) T_c T_L}}, n = \frac{R_2}{R_1}, m = \frac{T_c}{T_L}, T_c = \frac{L}{R_c}$$

and $e_1(t) = E_1 t / t_0$.

The first term in the equation represents the ideal amplifier output without any time delay. The second term is the current, or time lag, and the last part describes the exponentially decaying transient portion. Fig. 3a shows the actual output signal, denoted by $C(t)$, versus the ideal output $C_1(t)$. At the end of ramp the ideal output signal is given by $C_0$. This value is calculated from Eq. 8 for $t = t_0$ and by neglecting the second and third term. The relative error at a given time $t$ can be defined as the difference between the ideal and actual output signal divided by the ideal end-value. This is expressed as:

$$\varepsilon\% = \frac{C_1(t) - C(t)}{C_0} \times 100$$

(9)

where $C_1(t)$ is the ideal ramp output without time delay, $C(t)$ is the actual output at time $t$ and $C_0$ is the ideal ramp output at the end of sweep. The relative error $\varepsilon$ actually denotes an output volt-

4. Greater coil inductances exhibit large resistances. For larger yokes, the resistor’s influence on the transfer function must now be considered. Here $R_e$ denotes the coil resistance, which modifies the gain and feedback values, according to its comparison with the load.

Ramp produces time delay

Because of the limited bandwidth and gain of the deflection system, a time lag exists between a linearly rising input signal and the coil current. This may be improved if a ramp voltage is used as the input. If the input is given by $e_1(t) = E_1 t / t_0$, where $t_0$ is the ramp duration and $E_1$ is the input voltage at the end of ramp, its Laplace function is $E_1(s) = E_1 / s^2 t_0$. With the use of this term, the input-to-output transfer function becomes

$$C(s) = \frac{E_1 A n}{t_0 (1 + n + A)} - \frac{1}{s^2} \left( \frac{(1 + n) T_c}{1 + n + A} + \frac{n}{1 + n + A} \right)$$

The solution in the time domain is:

$$C(t) = \frac{E_1 A n}{t_0 (1 + n + A)} \left[ t - \frac{2 t}{\omega_1} + \frac{1}{\omega_1 \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}} e^{-\omega_1 t} \sin \left( \omega_1 \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} t - \Psi \right) \right]$$

where

$$\Psi = 2 \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}}{-\xi}, \xi = \frac{1 + m}{2 \sqrt{m}}, \sqrt{1 + n + A},$$

$$\omega_1 = \sqrt{\frac{1 + n + A}{(1 + n) T_c T_L}}, n = \frac{R_2}{R_1}, m = \frac{T_c}{T_L}, T_c = \frac{L}{R_c}$$

and $e_1(t) = E_1 t / t_0$.
5. Push-pull circuits are sometimes preferred to single-ended deflection stages because they offer constant load, less stringent power supply needs, and ease of display referencing. Bandwidth and current rise time with age ratio, but because of the linear input-output relationship, it also represents the relative time lag \( \Delta t \), referenced to the ramp duration \( t_0 \). If \( t > > t_c \), the transient in the expanded Eq. 9 can be neglected, and the relative delay becomes

\[
\epsilon% = \frac{T_L + T_c}{t_0} \left( \frac{1 + n}{1 + n + A} \times 100 \right)
\]

Equation 10 shows that the ramp delay is proportional to the ratio of the sum of amplifier and coil time constants to the ramp duration. Since amplifier gain \( A \) is generally large compared with \( n \), the ramp delay is inversely proportional to \( A \).

As stated before, the coil resistance has been neglected in the preceding calculations. This is a valid assumption for low-inductance yokes. For large inductances, the coil resistance must be considered. Figure 4 shows the equivalent circuit for this case, where \( R_c \) denotes the dc coil resistance. The input-to-output transfer function is:

\[
C(s) = \frac{E_i(s) (\alpha A n)}{\alpha A + (1 + n)(1 + s T_c)(1 + s T_L)}
\]

where \( \alpha = R_i/R_L + R_c \), and \( n = R_0/R_i \).

A comparison between Eqs. 2 and 11 shows that all formulas and curves previously derived for the case \( R_c = 0 \) can be used if the amplifier gain \( A \) and coil time constant \( T_L \) are replaced by \( \alpha A \) and \( \alpha T_L \), respectively.

**Push-pull offers design freedom**

Push-pull operation of the deflection coil offers several advantages over single-ended deflection. Among these are a constant load on power supplies, less stringent ripple and regulation requirements, and ease of display referencing. From a bandwidth point of view, however, push-pull is virtually identical to the single-ended method.

To calculate the rise time of each half-axis current of a push-pull yoke and to demonstrate the interaction between the half axis coils, the equivalent circuit of Fig. 5a will be analyzed. For convenience, perfect circuit symmetry is assumed. Each half-axis deflection coil has an inductance \( L \) and a mutual inductance \( M \) defined by \( M = kL \), where \( k \) is the coupling coefficient. For deflection yokes, \( k \) is approximately unity (practical values range from 0.92 to 0.96). When the switches (S) are closed simultaneously, the following applies:

\[
i_R + L \frac{di}{dt} + M \frac{di}{dt} = E
\]

Solving for \( i_1 \), the half axis coil current, produces

\[
i_1 = I_o \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T_c}} \right)
\]

where \( I_o = E/R_c, k = M/L \) and \( T = L/R_c \). If the polarity of one coil is reversed without changing the source polarities, the terms containing \( M \) reverse sign, and the half-axis current becomes

\[
i_1 = I_o \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T_c}} \right)
\]

A comparison of Eqs. 13 and 14 shows that in the former, the apparent coil inductance, as seen from the driving source, is approximately \( 2L \) because of the mutual coupling. In Eq. 14 it is very small, and the coil current rises very fast. But typical push-pull operation is accurately given by Eq. 13 because the driving voltages are out of phase and one coil polarity is also reversed simultaneously. Fig. 5b shows the current rise times for both cases, with the coupling coefficient \( k \) close to unity, as opposed to single-ended deflection, where \( k \) is zero.

Note that a 2:1 increase in rise time is evident if a single-ended coil is replaced by two push-pull coils of equal inductance. To maintain the response time, each half-axis inductance should be reduced by 50%. The number of turns per half axis is then 0.707 times smaller, and each half-axis...
deflection current is 70.7% of its previous value. In this case the push-pull connection is less economical than the single-ended. Note also that if rise-time specification tolerate the larger inductance, it is then desirable to double the series resistor $R_L$. This effectively halves the coil current, thereby keeping the total power dissipation constant.

A better evaluation of what push-pull entails comes with the presentation of a more complete schematic. Figure 5c illustrates a true push-pull deflection amplifier with opposite coil and voltage polarities; it is functionally equivalent to Fig. 5a. Rise time and ramp delay for this circuit can be obtained from the previously derived formulas for single-ended deflection, provided the coil inductance value $L$ is replaced by $L(1 + k) = 2L$.

**Overdrive affects settling time**

The exact determination of current settling-time presents great difficulties for several reasons. Because of the large number of poles in the actual feedback loop, high-order equations must be solved. These render the purely analytical method impractical. A graphical approach, such as the root-locus, can be adopted to predict the stability of a multi-pole system under steady-state conditions. It can also be used to reduce a more complex system to an equivalent, second-order system which can then be treated analytically.

However, the root-locus method is valid only for small-signal analysis. For step inputs (for example, maximum center-to-edge deflection), both of the above methods are inadequate, because the deflection amplifier does not operate in its linear region. It is therefore necessary to consider separately the overdriven state of the amplifier and its contribution to settling time.

From Fig. 1 it can be seen that amplifier input voltage $E_{in}(s)$ is a function of the difference between signal input $E_i(s)$ and feedback voltage $C(s)$. Since $E_i(s)$ is instantaneously applied and $C(s)$ can only rise linearily toward its theoretical peak value $E_s$, the amplifier is initially heavily overdriven. Its output is equal to the supply voltage $E_s$. This condition will last until the feedback voltage is large enough to reduce $E_{in}(s)$ below the saturating level. Up to this point the coil current rises linearily with a rise time $t_r$ of curve a in Fig. 6. This is due to the constant voltage $E_s$ applied to the coil circuit consisting of $L$ and $R_L$.

After a time $t_r$ has elapsed, negative feedback assumes control, and it takes another time period ($t_n$) for the current to settle to within a given percentage of its final value. Time $t_n$ can be obtained from the curves derived for the simplified, single-pole amplifier. The total settling time is then the sum of $t_r$ and $t_n$.

Although the above calculations were made for the full deflection case, the total settling time $t_s = t_r + t_n$ remains relatively constant for lower input drives. In this case, $t_r$ decreases but $t_n$ increases because of the lower system damping constant the less-overdriven amplifier.

Figure 6 also shows the amplifier output voltage for full deflection. Because of the heavy initial overdrive, the amplifier output voltage rises fast to its maximum potential, which is approximately equal to $E_s$. As the feedback regains control of the output current, the amplifier output drops in an oscillatory manner to its steady-state level. Because of the overdrive and its associated phase delay, both output voltage and current are out of phase. In addition the slightly underdamped system returns to its settling level faster, and the oscillations are cancelled more rapidly (than with less overdrive).

If a single-deflection coil is connected in the collector circuit of the output stage, two different conditions exist. For a fast current increase, the output transistor is in saturation and the full supply voltage is applied to the coil. For a fast current decrease, however, the base of the output transistor is driven to cutoff, and the coil voltage at the collector terminal rises above the supply voltage because of the stored energy in the coil. This action continues until clamping at the protec-
tive diode occurs. Therefore the rise and fall times may not be equal.

In push-pull applications, however, this dissymmetry does not exist. Because of the tight coupling between the two half-axis coils, the voltage at the turn-off side is controlled by the turn-on voltage, which naturally cannot exceed $E_a$.

**Practical example gives time data**

An actual design problem in which the settling time is to be calculated will now be presented. This will demonstrate the design techniques and show how the various parameters operate.

Given is a single-ended deflection amplifier with an open loop gain ($A$) of 310 and whose first breakpoint of the gain-frequency curve (3dB point) is at $f_0 = 3.1$ MHz. The supply voltage of the output stage is 18 volts. $E_1$, the peak input signal for full deflection (edge-to-edge) is 10 volts. Coil inductance $L = 25$ microhenries, sampling resistor $R_1 = 0.5$ ohms, $R_2 = 2k$ and $R_3 = 1k$ (see Fig. 1). Let us now determine the 0.1% settling time of the deflection current.

**Step 1.** Find time $t_A$. Since the open loop gain of the amplifier is generally high, $E_1(s)$ can be neglected, and the peak feedback voltage $C(s)$ for full deflection can be found from $C(s) = E_1(s) R_2 / R_1$. Thus $C(s) = 10 (1/2) = 5$ volts. The peak coil current is $A_i = C(s) / R_1 = 5 / 0.5 = 10$ amps. During time $t_A$, the full supply voltage of 18 volts is applied to the coil circuit. The time required to reach the final current level (10 amps) is given by 

$$t_A = \frac{A_i L}{E_1} = \frac{10 \times 25}{18} = 14 \mu s$$

**Step 2.** Find time $t_B$. To obtain an approximate value for the settling time, it is assumed that the current overshoot for full input drive is less than 5% and that the amplifier has a single breakpoint at the frequency $f_0$. The latter assumption means that the calculated settling time $t_B$ will be smaller than the actual value, because the addition of amplifier poles increases the settling time. During its linear operating mode the amplifier has to settle from the initial overshoot level of 5% to within 0.1% (which corresponds to the signal settling from 100% to 2%).

The settling time $t_B$ can be found from Fig. 2c, or, since $m$ is large, more accurately from Eq. 5. Thus $\epsilon = e^{-x^2} = 0.01$ x 100% is used. Since an exponential function $e^{-x}$ decays from 100% to 2% for $x = 3.91$, time $t_B$ can be found from $t_B = (1 + m) / 2T_L = 3.91$, or $t_B = 0.39 \mu s$. The total settling time of the system is $t_s = t_A + t_B = 14 + 0.39 = 14.39 \mu s$.

Actual test results (see photograph in Fig. 7) show good agreement between measured and calculated rise time. The measured values for $t_A$ and $t_B$ are 16.0 and 1.0 $\mu s$, respectively. Time $t_A$ is longer than calculated, because the loss in the load resistor $R_L$ and the initial voltage rise time $t_R$ were not considered. Time $t_B$ is longer, because the amplifier time constant is actually larger if the higher-order poles are not neglected.

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Buying a spectrum analyzer? Both conventional and plug-in units are available; so make sure you choose the type best suited to your needs.

Which superheterodyne spectrum analyzer is best? Conventional, with self-contained CRT and associated circuits? Or plug-in analyzer, which converts a standard oscilloscope into a spectrum analyzer?

From the standpoint of cost alone, the plug-in is usually cheaper in practice. It also has a decided size and weight advantage over a conventional analyzer. But that doesn't mean it would be the best choice for you.

Only when considered in the light of a particular application can the two types be properly compared. Both have advantages and disadvantages, and neither is inherently better than the other.

Sampling principle used

The superheterodyne spectrum analyzer, whether conventional or plug-in, is based on a sampling process. The incoming signal is heterodyned with the output of a swept-frequency local oscillator, and the difference frequency is sampled by a stationary narrowband IF amplifier. In this way the frequency-domain signal is converted to a time-domain signal, which can readily be displayed on an ordinary time-domain oscilloscope.

Plug-ins have advantages

By its very nature, a plug-in spectrum analyzer is smaller and lighter than a conventional analyzer, since it must fit into the available space of some standard oscilloscope. The conventional spectrum analyzer has its own separate scope.

The matter of cost is somewhat more subtle. The plug-in analyzer uses the power supplies, CRT, saw-tooth generator, trigger circuits, etc. that are in the main frame of a standard oscilloscope. So the cost of these elements must be added to that of the plug-in itself, if a true cost comparison is to be made. Nevertheless, because the volume of standard scope sales is at least 20 times that of spectrum analyzer sales, the cost of an oscilloscope is usually considerably less than that of the scope portion of a conventional spectrum analyzer. Thus a plug-in analyzer/scope combination can usually be obtained at a saving in cost over a conventional unit.

Plug-ins provide flexibility

One of the greatest advantages of plug-in analyzers is their increased flexibility. Most can be used with a variety of scopes. Instead of requiring a separate analyzer for every different application, a single plug-in can be used for widely divergent applications by merely mating it with a suitable type of scope.

One example of this flexibility is in the aligning of radar sets. The point of interest is the adjustment of pulse width and pulse shape to obtain a desired output spectrum. With a conventional spectrum analyzer, it is not possible to observe the modulating pulse and the output spectrum concurrently; however, with the use of a dual-beam scope and a spectrum analyzer plug-in, this becomes a simple matter.

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Another example occurs in oscillator stability measurements, where it is highly desirable to observe the spectrum over a long period of time (minutes and sometimes hours). The only way to do this with a conventional spectrum analyzer is to take photographs at periodic intervals and then compare the photographs to determine total drift. An easier method is to use a storage scope and spectrum analyzer plug-in, thus permitting the simultaneous display of all the desired information on the CRT.

Plug-in analyzers can also take advantage of many other features that are standard on most scopes but are not available on the scope portion of a conventional spectrum analyzer. These include wide-range calibrated time base, versatile triggering, Z-axis modulation capability and sweep expansion.

Such additional features permit many novel measurements for the spectrum analyzer plug-in that are difficult or impossible to make with a conventional spectrum analyzer. For example, one of the parameters of interest in pulsed RF investigations is the modulating pulse repetition rate. Only a spectrum analyzer with a calibrated time base is capable of supplying this information.

Another example involves the troublesome problem of radio frequency interference from equipment operating in the vicinity of the measurement site. Versatile triggering of the scope can be very helpful in such cases, if a trigger from the signal under observation is available. Once the sweep is triggered to run in synchronism with the desired signal, most other signals will tend to drift across the CRT, making identification of the desired spectrum much easier.

**Plug-ins have disadvantages, too**

But let’s not forget that the plug-in spectrum analyzer also has certain disadvantages. These stem from the small volume available in the plug-in, and they include:
- No RF attenuator.
- Restricted frequency range.
- More crowded front panel.

The state of the art in attenuators and local oscillators is such that sufficient space is simply not available to incorporate all the hardware that certain applications require.

**What about conventional analyzers?**

The conventional, or self-contained, spectrum analyzer has all of the advantages offered by unrestricted size, weight and power consumption. Front panels are larger, accessories, such as attenuators, are incorporated as part of the package, and the number of local oscillators is limited only by economic factors. For many applications these features are important, and the conventional rather than the plug-in spectrum analyzer is the logical choice. An example of this is spectral measurements of high-power radar sets, where many kilowatts of peak power are involved. This power usually has to be attenuated if the spectrum analyzer is not to be damaged. Disregarding economics, the conventional analyzer is the logical choice because of its built-in attenuator.

In other applications the frequency range to be investigated may be quite large. Here, the conventional spectrum analyzer again has the advantage, since it can contain several RF oscillators and cover the required frequency range. The plug-in, on the other hand, is limited.

As for the performance of a spectrum analyzer, whether conventional or plug-in, it is determined by a series of parameters. But various manufacturers define these in different ways. When comparing specifications, therefore, you may encounter anomalies. They can best be resolved by getting in touch with the respective manufacturers.

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Plug-in analyzer specifications

Here is a list of specifications for available plug-in spectrum analyzers. The instruments are grouped according to manufacturer. Within these groups, they are listed in ascending order of maximum frequency capability. The specifications listed are as given by the manufacturers. Specifications for conventional spectrum analyzers are given in ELECTRONIC DESIGN's 1965 Test Equipment Reference Issue, copies of which are available for $5.

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3. Internal local oscillator.

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5. External local oscillator.

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Carpet plotting is easy, and it increases interpolation accuracy. Simple to construct, the plots allow visual pinpointing between families of curves.

Are carpet plots "foreign" to you? Or maybe you shy away from them because the graphs seem hard to set up? A simple, mechanical retracing process should prove helpful to you in constructing and using these plots.

Basically carpet plotting is just another way of presenting a three-variable function that is usually plotted as a family of curves. Carpet plotting adjusts the family of curves to provide accurate visual interpolation within each curve.

Carpet plots are easy to construct. Leave the first curve of the family intact. Then merely step each successive curve the equivalent of 10 minor units on the graph paper. This forces the family of curves into a carpet format.

Typical applications include the use of such plots to determine the operational characteristics of vacuum tubes and semiconductors.

Since carpet plotting is based on linear stepping, the process can be used for all rectangular coordinate format graphs, semi-logarithmic format graphs and even polar coordinate format graphs. However, because of the linear stepping process, the method is not applicable to double logarithmic function plots.

To see how easy the method works, construct a sample carpet plot, with a large grid presentation for simplicity. (It is recommended that 8-1/2 x 11 inch graph paper be used, with a scale of 10 x 10 to the half-inch or 10 x 10 to the centimeter.)

The plotting consists of six steps:

1. Draw a family of straight lines from the x-y origin, as shown in Fig. 1. Four random straight lines are used in this sample, to keep the plotting simple. Since the family plot will be expanded in later steps, the x axis is limited to cover only one-half of the graph paper.

2. Place another sheet of graph paper of the same grid on top of the first. Trace the y axis (independent variable in this case) and copy the scale. Next add line \( b = 4 \), and highlight \( x = 1 \), 2 and 3, as shown in Fig. 2.

3. Slide the top graph 10 small units (one major division) to the left, maintaining the coordinate scale digits in correct position, and line up the vertical and horizontal grids accurately. Trace line \( b = 3 \), and highlight \( x = 1 \), 2, 3 and 4, as shown in Fig. 3.

4. Repeat step 3 for \( b = 2 \) and \( b = 1 \) to produce a graph similar to that in Fig. 4. Note that the original grid line, \( x = 1 \), is no longer a single vertical line but a series of points on \( b = 4 \), 3, 2 and 1, as a result of the stepping process.

5. Join the highlighted marks for \( x = 1 \) with a smooth curve or straight line, as the case may be (Fig. 5). Whether a line or curve is required depends upon the family of lines or curves selected. In the example shown here the points fall in a straight line.

6. Repeat step 5 for \( x = 2 \), 3 and 4 and \( x = 0 \). Note that \( x = 0 \) is now a horizontal line running between \( b = 4 \) and \( b = 1 \) and not the x-y origin shown in Fig. 1. Also observe that the graph paper's minor vertical grid lines separate the x and b variable curves into 10 divisions, as indicated in the upper portion of Fig. 6. Only the vertical grid lines are used to construct the intermediate values of x and b, since the selected family division steps were based only on the vertical grid scale.

3. Superimposition of Figs. 1 and 2. The line $b = 3$ is traced on the overlay and the points $X = 1, 2, 3$ and $4$ are highlighted. The top graph has been slid 10 small units (one major division) to the left.

4. Third step shows tracing of lines for $b = 2$ and $b = 1$.

5. Joining of $X = 1$ yields a straight line.

6. Joining of $X = 0$, $X = 2$, $X = 3$, and $X = 4$ points on overlay. Interpolation is the next step.

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7. **Interpolation** for points where $X = 2.3$. By observing the intersection of the lines A and B relative to the graph's horizontal grid lines, we can fix the $y$ value of $b = 3.6$ and $X = 2.3$ at 2.5.

To expand the functional scope of the carpet plot, let us assume that the $b = 2$ line was missing. The step between $b = 3$ and $b = 1$ should then be increased from 10 to 20 minor units, to maintain the proper interpolative scale of the carpet. After the $x = 1, 2, 3$ and 4 curves (or lines) are added to the plot, the intersection of the $x$ variable curves with the 10-unit scale permits the inclusion of line $b = 2$.

Extending this concept enables the plotter to add any additional intermediate curves. It may, for instance, be useful to add $x = 0.5, 1.5$ and 2.5, and $b = 1.5, 2.5$ and 3.5. To do this, simply join the locus of points formed by the intersection of the $x$ and $b$ variable curves with the vertical grid. The appropriate points on the grid are found in the same way as $y$ was when the values for $b$ and $x$ were given.

Determination of the stepping direction for a family of curves is a matter of judgment; it is always desirable to spread the family as much as possible. In Fig. 8 it is obvious that the uppermost black curve should be traced first and that the rectangular coordinate graph paper should be stepped to the right for each succeeding curve of the family. On the other hand, for the colored curves in Fig. 8 the $x$ axis should be made the independent variable, the lowest colored curve should be traced first, and the graph should be stepped vertically.

Finally the procedure for the use of a semi-log coordinate format is essentially the same as for a rectangular coordinate format. The main difference, however, is that in this case the logarithmic scale must always remain the independent variable scale.
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FET audio signal mixer exhibits linearity, isolation

Two FETs forming a mixer circuit will produce an output envelope corresponding to the difference between two closely spaced audio transducer signal inputs. The high $Z_{in}$ and large $g_m$ of the FET give the circuit excellent isolation and linearity and also enable it to function as a complex signal simulator.

The mixing action in this circuit (Fig. 1a) is one of pure combination of two differing frequency signals. The basic circuit operation is as follows:

Each input transducer has its respective gain control, represented by potentiometers, for providing numerous amplitude ratios between the input signals. A single drain-load resistor is used to facilitate output coupling to succeeding stages. Degenerative feedback in the common-source lead is provided by an unbypassed resistor.

A 3:1 feedback ratio between source resistors has been found to provide adequate stability and to ensure predictable circuit performance with device interchangeability. The output signal is shifted $180^\circ$ with respect to the gate input. If "in-phase" operation is desired, a bipolar stage may be added, as shown in the circuit diagram (Fig. 1b). The performance is typified by a frequency response of 10 Hz-5 kHz (flat), with the upper 3 dB cutoff at 25 kHz. The input impedance is 10 MΩ, and the input dynamic range is 0-400 mV before any output distortion is noted. The voltage gain is 3.0 at 1.0 kHz.

The circuit will combine any two frequencies in the audio range. Either of the input frequencies may be recovered at the output, by passing the total output spectrum through an appropriate narrow-band filter network. The circuit functions very well as a complex signal simulator, since a phase shifter may be placed in either or both signal inputs to provide simulated transducer operation over a broad range of amplitude, frequency and phasing ratios.

C. R. Seashore, Senior Research Engineer, Honeywell, Inc., St. Paul, Minn.

SCR plus zener extend one-shot's time delay

Adding an SCR and a zener diode to a one-shot multivibrator results in longer time delays and prevents the rounding of output waveforms caused by long capacitor-charging times. Designed for use in an optical character reader, this circuit will lend itself readily to other pulse applications.

The SCR-zener combination shown in the accompanying figure completely isolates the $RC$ timing network from the switching circuit and permits the use of high $R$ and low $C$ components for long time delays. Operation of the modified multivibrator closely resembles that of conventional types. It is as follows:

Transistor $Q_1$ is normally ON, holding $C$ discharged through $CR_a$. A positive input pulse turns $Q_1$ OFF, thereby switching $Q_2$ ON. This circuit state persists until $C$ charges through $R$, $R_{1.1}$ and $R_{1.2}$ to a voltage sufficient to forward-bias the SCR gate. The SCR then fires, switching the circuit back to the normal state. Capacitor $C$ is
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This modified one-shot multivibrator uses an SCR-zener combination for longer time delays and squarer outputs. In effect, these components isolate the timing elements from the switching network.

discharged through CR₃, and the circuit remains “ready” by virtue of the feedback from Q₂, until another trigger appears.

Diodes CR₁ and CR₂ prevent zener firing and SCR triggering on large-input trigger amplitudes. CR₄ and CR₅ isolate the output from the switching circuit, allowing full logic output swings.

D. R. Hobaugh, Project Manager, Recognition Equipment, Inc., Dallas, Tex.

Dc-coupled flip-flop acts as Schmitt Trigger

By substituting a saturating flip-flop for the conventional Schmitt trigger, a ground-level output capability is achieved. This feature is especially useful in digital applications.

The traditional Schmitt trigger is a bistable multivibrator employing a common-emitter resistor in its feedback loop. The resistor is essential in developing the switching threshold voltages. Because current flows through the resistor at all times, it is difficult for the Schmitt circuit to produce a ground-level output. Since the circuit has many applications in digital circuits, and many of these often use ground as one of the two stable logic levels, several methods have been devised to produce a ground-level output. Typically, these techniques make the circuit more costly and complex.

A less costly, far-less complex alternative appears in the illustration. The circuit is a collector-coupled bistable multivibrator revised to act much like the Schmitt circuit. The change is minor and consists of direct-coupling by means of resistor R₁, instead of the usual capacitive coupling at the input. When Q₃ is cut off, current is supplied by R₁ and by the base of Q₁ to R₂ and R₃. When E₁ becomes large enough to cause all the current to be supplied by R₁, (that is, when the voltage at the base reverse-biases the base-emitter junction of Q₃), the multivibrator will regenerate. This first threshold is of opposite polarity to V₈ and is defined by the ratio of R₁ to R₂ + R₃ as:

$$E₁ - V_{BE} = \frac{(V_{BB} - V_{REQ}) R₁}{R₂ + R₃}$$

Note that all values of voltage must be of the same sign as their polarity with respect to ground. R₂ is now brought to ground through the saturated Q₂. The circuit will remain in this state until the base voltage is sufficient to forward-bias the base-emitter junction and until sufficient current to cause regeneration is supplied to the base. This second threshold is of the same polarity as V₈ and is defined by the ratio of R₁ to R₂ as:

$$-E₂ + V_{REQ} = \frac{V_{REQ} - V_{BE}}{R₁} \cdot \frac{V_{BB}}{R₂ + R₃}$$

If we assume that I₉₁ < I₉₁, I₂, this formula can be simplified to:

$$\frac{(V_{C_<AT} - V_{BE}) R₁}{R₂} = V_{BB} - E₂$$

Since the difference between V₈ and V₈ is of considerable importance to proper circuit function, transistors with a small V₈ and a large V₈ should be chosen.

Note that this circuit is unusual, in that it may be unconditionally set to respond to the E₁ threshold by pulsing the base of Q₁ with a positive pulse. This positive pulse can be applied at any time. In other words, while normal Schmitt action requires that the input pass both thresholds before the circuit will regenerate, this configuration can regenerate at any time and may be set to a specific threshold. Thus, to set to respond to E₁, we may...
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Marriott Dickey, Design Engineer, Orinda, Calif.

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Referring to the circuit schematic, we see that $Q_1$ and $Q_2$ make up the basic multivibrator and that $Q_3$ is a UJT used to generate positive trigger pulses. Gating diodes $D_3$ and $D_4$ steer the trigger pulses to the proper side of the multivibrator. $D_1$ and $D_2$ are diode switches used for both isolation and to select the proper side of resistor $R_T$ for timing the pulse generator.

With $Q_1$ conducting, $D_1$ conducts and places the left side of $R_T$ in as the timing resistor for $C_T$. Note that $D_2$ is reverse-biased, thereby isolating the right side of $R_T$. $D_3$ is also reverse-biased, isolating any triggers from the left side of the multivibrator. $D_4$ conducts coupling triggers to the right side of the multivibrator.

When the UJT fires, the positive-going trigger pulse is coupled to the right side of the multivibrator, placing it in its other state ($Q_2$ conducting, $Q_1$ OFF). This action also switches the diodes. Since $D_1$ is now conducting, the right side of $R_T$ is timing the charge of $C_T$. $D_2$ also conducts, coupling the next trigger to the left side of the multivibrator.

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Cyril B. Smith 2d, Research Technician, Federal Aviation Agency, Oklahoma City, Okla.

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Output of the integrator has a perfect slope, the operational time interval is:

$$t = \frac{E_c}{e_i} R_i C_F + T_R,$$

where $1/t =$ pulse rate; $E_c =$ comparator reference voltage and $T_R =$ time required to reset integrator.

A plot of $e_i$ vs pulse rate and $e_i$ vs percentage deviation from linearity is shown in Fig. 1b. The circuit parameters are such that $E_c =$ 10 V, $e_i =$ 0 to 10 V, $T_R =$ 3.0 µs and the output pulse rate is 0 to 10 Kpps. We conclude from these graphical data that by adding a voltage, $Ke_i$, to the output of the integrator, the error introduced by $T_R$ can be corrected.

The circuit configuration in Fig. 2 performs this correction. The output of the integrator then becomes:

$$e_o = Ke_i + \frac{t'}{t_c},$$

where $K = R_i/R_1$ and $t_c = R_1 C_F$. The integrator will reset when $e_o$ is equal to the reference voltage

1. Conventional analog-to-frequency converter (a) operates with an output of 0-10 Kpps and has linearity of 0.5%. Integrator’s reset time ($T_R$) limits linearity of the response, especially at high pulse rates. Curve shows the relationship between input voltage, output pulse rate and deviation from linear response (b). Note error due to $T_R$.  

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2. The simple addition of a feedback resistor and a one-shot to the circuit of Fig. 1a produces an A-to-F converter that operates up to 250 Kpps with a 0.01% linearity figure.

$E_c$ on the comparator. Then

$$E_c = Ke_i + \frac{t'}{t_c} \cdot e_i$$  \hspace{1cm} (3)

Solving Eq. 3 for $t'$ (the operational time of the circuit), we get:

$$t' = \frac{E_c}{e_i} - K \cdot t_c$$  \hspace{1cm} (4)

The one-shot is used to insure a constant reset time, $T_R$. Note that $T_R$ can be regarded as system deadtime. Thus the operational time of the system is

$$t = \frac{E_c}{e_i} - K \cdot t_c + T_R$$  \hspace{1cm} (5)

To select the proper value for the constants in Eq. 5, let $E_c = \text{maximum } e_i$, $t_c = R_i C_R = \text{minimum } t$ ($t_m$) or maximum pulse rate and $K = R_i / R = T_R / t_m$.

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**Silicon rectifiers**

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_Circle No. 515_

**MW hot-carrier diode**

An improved hot-carrier microwave mixer diode is called the hp-2350. This metal-silicon Schottky-barrier diode has applications as an RF mixer through 2.5 GHz.

Noise figure at 2 GHz is typically 6.5 dB, IF impedance is 175 ohms typical, vswr is 1.3 typical, total capacitance is 1 pF max, power dissipation is 125 mW at 25°C, and peak pulse power rating is 5 ergs.


_Circle No. 516_
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- Positive depth-controlled contact insertion
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The regulated supplies SPS-2055 and 2062 are designed especially to provide dc power to integrated circuits. The model shown, SPS-2055, has a voltage adjustment range from 1 to 6.5 V and can continuously deliver 0 to 300 mA. Line and load regulation is better than 3 mV dc and ripple is typically 1 mV. Both use silicon transistors and include overload protection.

Plug-In Instruments, Inc., 1416 Lebanon Rd., Nashville, Tenn. Phone: (615) 244-1330.

Circle No. 517

### POWER EQUIPMENT

#### IC power source

The Pow-A-Meter is an adjustable power supply with an integral voltmeter. The supply can be plugged into a breadboard, instrument or other equipment, eliminating the need for external power supplies, voltmeters and leads. Four models are available with nominal output voltages from 6 to 50 V and current output from 200 to 500 mA.


Circle No. 518

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A dial on the V-FR2000 series 2-kW dc power supplies permits setting the field intensity of a laboratory electromagnet to any desired value within the magnet's range, independent of hysteresis effects.

Accuracy of 0.2% up to 10 kilogauss is specified, field repeatability is of an even higher order. The field-sweep instrumented V-FR2903 is otherwise similar to the basic V-FR2902.

Varian Assoc., 611 Hansen Way, Palo Alto, Calif. Phone: (415) 326-4000.

Circle No. 519

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A new rectifier type power supply features continuously adjustable voltage and slope. With a 100% duty-cycle rating of 600 amps (750 at 60% duty-cycle), it has an 85% or better efficiency rating, and a 0.9 or better power factor. Rectifiers are surge-rated at 8000 amps.

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The VHF Oscillator Model 3200B is designed for general purpose laboratory use including receiver and amplifier testing, driving bridges, slotted lines, antenna and filter networks, and as a local oscillator for heterodyne detector systems in the frequency range from 10 to 500 mc.

The push-pull oscillator is housed in a rugged aluminum casting for maximum stability and extremely low leakage; six frequency ranges are provided for adequate bandspread on the slide-rule dial. Internal CW operation is provided; AM and pulse modulation may be obtained through the use of a suitable external source. The RF output is coupled through a waveguide-below-cutoff variable attenuator; in addition, an electrical RF level vernier is included as a front panel control.

An optional accessory Frequency Doubler Probe, Model 13515A incorporates a solid-state doubler circuit and provides additional frequency coverage from 500 to 1000 mc.

SPECIFICATIONS 3200B

- Frequency range: 10 to 500 Mc (MHz)
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  - 35 to 68 Mc; 68 to 130 Mc; 130 to 260 Mc;
  - 260 to 500 Mc.
- Frequency accuracy: within ±2% after 1 /2 hour warmup (under 0.2 mw load).
- Frequency stability (after 4-hour warmup under 0.2 mw load): short term ± 0.002%; long term (1 hour) ±0.005%.
- line voltage (5-volt change) ±0.001%.
- RF output: maximum power (across 50-ohm external load):
  - >100 mw (10 to 130 Mc);
  - >150 mw (130 to 260 Mc);
  - >25 mw (260 to 500 Mc);
- Range: 0 to >120 db attenuation from maximum output.
- Load impedance: 50 ohms nominal.
- RF Leakage: sufficiently low to permit measurements at 1µv.

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- Frequency range: 500 to 1000 Mc (MHz) with the 3200A/B operating at 250 to 500 Mc.
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- RF output: more than 4 mw across external 50-ohm load, controlled by probe depth.
- Weight: net 4 oz. (110 gms), shipping 8 oz. (220 gms).
- Price: Model 13515A, $95. F.o.b. factory.

For more information contact your local Hewlett-Packard field engineer or write Hewlett-Packard, Green Pond Road, Rockaway, N. J. 07866; Europe: 54 Route des Acacias, Geneva.
**Automatic synchronizer**

Model 8708A signal-generator synchronizer uses phase-lock techniques to give test signals stable within 2 parts in 10^7 over 10 minutes. Automatic synchronization is achieved within the range of the 606B (50 kHz to 65 MHz) or 608F (10 MHz to 455 MHz) signal generators.


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P&A: about $25,000; 60 days. Test Eqpt. Dept., Industrial Prod. Group, Texas Instruments Inc., 3609 Buffalo Speedway, Houston, Tex. Phone: (713) 826-1411.

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**Speed and torque meter**

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The Series 1983 is a reset version of the company's non-reset Econocounter. The 5-digit 1983 is furnished with either base or rack mounting. Both ac and dc operating units are offered. Nominal power consumption is 6 W ac and 5 W dc. Designed for UL listing, the manual reset mechanism uses a bouncing pinion.

Veeder-Root Inc., 70 Sargeant, Hartford, Conn. Phone: (203) 527-7201.
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Circle No. 600

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How Beldfoil* reduces hum—noise

By Frank Timmons, Chief Engineer, Electronics Division, Belden Manufacturing Company

Today's sensitive electronic equipment, in most instances, cannot tolerate hum and noise resulting from pickup and interaction between conductors in cable and wire. In an effort to assist electronic engineers to meet these requirements, Belden Manufacturing Company, in 1957, introduced Beldfoil, a cable with total shielding. Frank Timmons, Chief Engineer of the Electronics Division at Belden's Richmond, Indiana plant answers a number of frequently asked questions on Beldfoil.

Q How does a Beldfoil shielded cable differ from other types of cable?
A Beldfoil cable is shielded with a laminated material...a sheet that is a combination of Mylart and aluminum foil. The result is a high dielectric insulation that gives total shielding...100% isolation between adjacent pairs.

Q Are Beldfoil shield cables smaller than other types of cables?
A Yes. Beldfoil shielding reduces the diameter of some multiconductor cables by as much as 66%.

Q What about flexing?
A Because Beldfoil shielding is applied spirally (as shown below) instead of longitudinally, it will flex repeatedly and maintain 100% shield coverage.

Q What is meant by "pressure points" in a cable with braid-shields?
A Braid-shields present a very irregular surface to the insulations under, or beside the shield. Pressures, within the cable, and as a result of crushing forces upon the cable, cause the braid to be forced into insulation at these pressure points. These conditions may be a cause of early cable failure. Beldfoil shields are smooth and do not contain these pressure points.

Q What about terminating Beldfoil shielded cables?
A Every Beldfoil shield features a drain-wire that contacts the aluminum portion of the shield along the full length of the cable, draining any accumulated static charges from the shield. This drainwire is a convenient ground wire with sufficient circular-mil-area so that it may be used as a conductor for relay and annunciator circuits.

Q What are some of the applications of Beldfoil?
A Beldfoil is effective over the entire audio and RF range (even to 1000 Mc). Typical applications include instrumentation, data processing, and telemetering equipment, as well as any information measurement circuits. Recent specific applications have been for TV audio circuits, Air Force communications systems, TV receivers, radios, phonographs, aircraft communications equipment, and mobile communications equipment.

Q How would you summarize some of the important benefits and properties of Beldfoil?
A Beldfoil eliminates dirty (wide-band) noise, and the problems of crosstalk. It saves space, it's easy to install, it is easy to terminate, and it has long life. And users report that it reduces end costs because of minimum maintenance or repair required of installations after they are in the field.

Q I assume descriptive literature is available on request.
A Yes. Requests should be directed to Belden Manufacturing Company, P.O. Box 6070-A, Chicago, Illinois 60680.

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A series of three video detectors measures under 0.75 cu in., meet Class 4 environmental requirements of MIL-E-5400 and MIL-T-5422. All three units can be operated with self- or external-bias. A typical unit, model TV 11 has a -53 dB sensitivity over the full RF bandwidth from 2-4 GHz with video bandwidth exceeding 17 MHz.
Sanders, 95 Canal, Nashua, N. H. Phone: (603) 883-3321. SEE AT BOOTHS 2W02-04.

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Sylvania, Lighting Products Div., 60 Boston, Salem, Mass. Phone: (617) 745-4500. SEE AT BOOTH 2C25-36.

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Huggins Laboratories, 999 E. Arques, Sunnyvale, Calif. Phone: (408) 736-9330. SEE AT BOOTHS 2G17-19.

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Solution: A compact, lightweight transducer that uses the temperature-dependence of a planar silicon transistor's base-to-emitter voltage to provide a zero-to-five-volt signal proportional to temperature.

The major element of the transducer is the transistor whose base is held at a constant voltage by a regulated source operating through a voltage divider, $R_1$ and $R_2$. The regulated source is also connected through the emitter resistor $R_e$. The output of the transducer is developed across the collector resistor $R_c$, to register the voltage change with temperature.

The transducer's output is sufficient for telemetry purposes to the extent that no preamplification is required.

It is disk-shaped and approximately 1/2 inch in diameter by 1/3-inch thick. Its weight, with 36-inch leads, is about 6 grams.

Twelve of these transducers are presently providing temperature data on various experiments and components now flying aboard the Orbiting Solar Observatory (OSO-B2).

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Zener diode switches large dc currents

Problem: Design a simple circuit to control the switching (gating) of large dc signals.

Solution: A high-current zener diode is connected in series with the positive input terminal of the dc supply to block the flow of direct current until a high-frequency (RF) control signal is applied across the zener diode.

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The RF filters and blocking capacitors isolate the dc lines from the RF lines. The zener correction voltage input compensates for the small dc voltage drop across the diode during the conduction state.

For further information, contact: Technology Utilization Officer, Manned Spacecraft Center, P. O. Box 1537, Houston, Texas 77001 (B65-10350).
Photodiodes increase range of multiplier

**Problem:** Perform analog multiplication of two or more variables of either polarity over a wide frequency range. To achieve equal performance with previous multipliers would require extremely complex, expensive electronics requiring major adjustments.

**Solution:** Solid-state photodiodes (shown in color) are placed in the arms of a simple Wheatstone bridge and exposed to a light source whose intensity is proportional to the input signal voltage. The voltage potential across the bridge is proportional to the product of the voltage applied to the light source and the voltage applied to the bridge.

If $E_2$ is held constant, the resistances of the photodiodes, $R_d$, vary inversely with the potential of $E_1$. If $E_1$ increases, $R_d$ decreases, causing $E_a$ to fall and $E_b$ to rise. This in turn linearly increases $E_{out}$, which is $E_b - E_a$. If $E_1$ decreases, then, by the inverse process, a linear decrease in $E_{out}$ occurs.

If $E_1$ is held constant, then an increase in $E_2$ causes an increase in $E_{out}$ and a decrease in $E_2$ causes a decrease in $E_{out}$. Thus the voltage, $E_{out}$, is a linear function of the light source and the voltage applied to the bridge; or $E_{out}$ is proportional to $E_1$ times $E_2$.

The differential amplifier in the closed loop of the light source compares the output of a photodiode to the input $E_1$. The output of the photodiode and potential of $E_1$ are made essentially, equal (discounting the bias offset).

A series of multiplications can be carried out or variables may be taken to any desired power by the addition of other photoactivated bridges.

The multiplier operates from direct current. Its frequency is limited by either the light source or the closed-loop difference amplifier.

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**Problem:** Design a variable-frequency magnetic multivibrator which provides a stable square-wave output over wide variations in temperature and in the power supply’s potential.

**Solution:** A frequency-control circuit which operates in a full-wave fashion rather than only over a portion of the multivibrator’s cycle of operation. This results in greater stability at the low end of the operating frequency, and in the rejection of undesirable high-frequency modes.

The multivibrator includes an uncontrolled magnetic core, 1, and a controlled magnetic core, 2. A pair of conductive loops, 3 and 4, and one of the controlled transistor switches, Q1 and Q2, provide the necessary alternate mode of operation for the multivibrator.

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The electronic gate, Qs, starts and stops the multivibrator. A temperature-compensating circuit consists of the diodes, a fixed bias potential and a positive bias supply.

This circuit may find applications in devices using or concerning clocks, synchronous motor control, stable square-wave variable signal generators, test instruments, power generation control, matching magnetic bearing devices, and radio and television communications.

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New Literature

Semiconductor wafers

Beryllium oxide semiconductor wafers and other stock parts are covered in bulletin 166. Several added items including a wafer for the TO-66 configuration are covered. Bulletin 266 covers revised properties of thermal ox beryllium oxide ceramic materials. Brush Beryllium Co.  

Circle No. 540

Electron beam gun

A six page, illustrated brochure summarizes the theory of electron beam gun technology and its application to commercial research and production tools. Also included are descriptions and illustrations of: vacuum equipment; power supplies designed for electron beam devices; sub-contract electron beam welding facilities; and sub-contract production of precision machining of electron beam and vacuum devices. Microperv, Inc.  

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Large ellipse templates

Large ellipse templates, 2-3/4 to 4 inch size, in 10 projections, are described in an illustrated catalog. Timely Products Co.  

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Pressure transducer

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High alumina ceramics

An 8-page "Designer's" brochure aids product designers in the dimensional and property selection of high alumina ceramics. Contents include the basic description of ceramic material which has aluminum oxide (Al₂O₃) as a basic ingredient. Also, comparative properties and scope of uses for electrical-electronic, mechanical, chemical, wear resistant and high heat applications are described. Diamonite Products Mfg. Co.  

Circle No. 544

Mercury relay manual

A new edition of the mercury plunger relay manual titled "A New Standard of Reliability in Controls" covers the range of relays made by the manufacturer. A total of 31 different new relays are described in four separate categories. The first three categories cover 100, 50 and 25 amp at 120 Vac in 1, 2 and 3 pole types. The fourth category includes single pole units completely encapsulated in epoxy for 25 and 50 amp. Ebert Electronics Corp.  

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Aircraft instrument data

Five technical data pages describe aircraft instrumentation, accessories and support assemblies. Aircraft altimeters, air speed instruments, a contaminated fuel detector, precision slip rings and a portable, manually operated pump and reservoir package used for jet aircraft lubrication are described. Telectro-Mek, Inc.  

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Gas discharge devices

Product reference bulletin, No. 301, catalogs typical gas discharge tubes and devices now being produced by the manufacturer. Main performance parameters for typical two-element spark gaps, triggered spark gaps, microwave noise sources and miniature microwave noise generators are included. Dimensional drawings are shown for representative two-element and triggered spark gaps covering the most popular voltage ranges. Signalite Inc.  

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Circle No. 256

Relay catalog
Thirty-nine different types of relays and solenoids are illustrated and described in this catalog. The DSC-2 catalog lists most commonly used relay types, arranged by category—telephone, power, general purpose, antenna-coaxial, sensitive, time delay, high voltage, microminiature, relays, and solenoids. Phillips-Advance Control Co.

Circle No. 257

Microwave components
A brochure covers strip transmission line components, waveguide components, command receivers and antennas. Included for each unit are a general description, photograph, major features, specifications and characteristic charts. Radiation Systems, Inc.

Circle No. 258

Ultrasonic transducers
A data sheet describes two ultrasonic transducers for remote control applications. Specifications are listed, and performance characteristics are tabulated and graphed. Dynamics Corp. of America.

Circle No. 259

Rocker/slide switches
A new bulletin covers a complete line of switches. Bulletin 78/79-101 is arranged to provide complete specification information on both slide and rocker switches at a glance. Specification guides describe particular switch features. Stackpole Carbon Co.

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Circle No. 261

Microwave devices
WR series directional couplers and the 90 SR 36 waveguide rotary switch are described in separate data sheets. Electrical and physical specifications for both devices are coupled with ordering information. Microwave Development Laboratories.

Circle No. 262

Fastener catalog
Technical descriptions, specifications, and installation procedures cover a line of single-turn snap-ring fasteners with slotted or wing nut heads. Simmons Fastener.

Circle No. 263

Dielectric capacitors
A four-page catalog covers a newly expanded series of NPO dielectric capacitors. Temperature coefficient, capacitance, Q, insulation resistance and temperature change are graphed in all possible combinations, capacitance, Q, insulation resistance by part No., size, and capacitance. Electro Materials Corp.

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Magnetic heads
A six-page brochure describes and illustrates this company's capability of producing precision magnetic heads for computer and instrument applications. Applied Magnetics.

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Communication Systems
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Connector catalog
Expandable insert connectors are listed in this new catalog. Pictures and tabulated descriptions cover an entire line. Heli-Coil Corp.

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Miniature choppers
A 2-page brochure describes three miniature, plug-in choppers, 50 P, 60 P, and 70 P by name. Typical applications are covered together with the units' electronic and mechanical characteristics. Solid-State Electronics.

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Timing handbook
A twelve-page "Timing Handbook" outlines timing devices ranging from interval timers to multi-channel programmers, covering military and industrial applications. Complete electronic and mechanical specifications of the manufacturer's units are given. Artisan Electronics.

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Flow indicators
A four-page bulletin gives data on low-flow indicators. Design features, construction details, connections, dimensional drawings, capacity tables and ordering information for the manufacturer's line are included. Brooks Instruments Div. Emerson Electric.

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Integrated circuit catalog
A brochure covers the company's complete line of HLTTL integrated circuits. The pamphlet outlines in detail the facilities and processes involved in these state-of-the-art monolithic devices. Included are fold-out selection charts which show comprehensive diagrams and schematics of the logic circuits. Transistor Electronic Corp.

Circle No. 271

Data annotation
A 12-page, two-color brochure details the company’s capabilities in data annotation. Conversion, data handling and display are covered. “Modular construction, plug-in commonality, expandability, and reliability” are stressed. Bowmar-Fort Wayne.

Circle No. 272

Semiconductor data
A 60-page condensed catalog includes semiconductor, special products, metal-film resistors, wire and cable products, and precision connectors. Parameters and specifications are coupled with cross-references, selection charts, and outline drawings for all devices. The catalog is thumb-indexed. Transitron Electronic Corp.

Circle No. 273

Instrumentation catalog
Catalog H describes electronic instrumentation for investigations in the fields of biophysics, neurophysiology, geophysics, analog computation, low-frequency phenomena, and limited energy measurements. Electrometers, signal isolation devices, pulse and waveform generators, differential preamplifiers, and other instruments are described. Argonaut Associates.

Circle No. 274

Dipping compound
Isochemsupergel 157, a novel lacquer dipping compound with excellent moisture and electrical specs is described in a data sheet. Applications and prices are included. Isochem Resins Corp.

Circle No. 275

Thermistors, varistors
General purpose thermistors, varistors, and miscellaneous assemblies are described with graphs and tables in an eight-page bulletin. Mechanical and electrical characteristics of all the devices are listed. Victory Engineering Corp.

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NEW LITERATURE

720 power supplies

A bulletin describes the "L" series of 720 power supplies, with up to 1800 watts output. All units are overload protected, with automatic recovery when the fault is removed. Deltron, Inc.

*K* Technical training

Training schools for process, industrial, and aerospace studies are described in this 12-page bulletin. Enrollment information is included with course descriptions, and an illustrated tour of the program. General Electric.

*6* Scintillation counting

A technical bulletin entitled "Combustion of Samples for Liquid Scintillation Counting" is available. The two-color bulletin describes techniques for sample combustion, problems encountered, and solutions. It is profusely illustrated with drawings and photographs. Nuclear-Chicago.

Lighted switches

A 16-page catalog lists the Twislite series of illuminated pushbutton switches and word indicators. Circuit and dimensioning diagrams are given, together with ordering information per MIL-S-22885. Master Specialties.

Solid-state devices

An illustrated 8-page booklet, SF-7002, describes the company's line of switches, limiters, duplexers and phase shifters, including electrical and mechanical specifications. Microwave Associates.

Fastener catalog

This 24-page, 2-color catalog illustrates and gives specifications for 15,000 sizes of stainless steel fasteners. Star Stainless Screw Co.

Magnetic pickup data

An 8-page bulletin describes applications for the manufacturer's line of electromagnetic proximity switches and pickups. Electro Products.
Ceramics newsletter

A bi-monthly newsletter called IITRI CERAMICS is available on a regular basis. The first issue has a feature on mechanical property measurements and design with brittle materials. A list of publications pertaining to design using ceramic materials includes several available from the IIT Research Institute.

All items appearing in the newsletter are available for republishing in whole or in part. IIT Research Institute.

Circle No. 284

Resistor catalog

Catalog 100 is a complete listing of the manufacturer's resistors. A section on construction and design is included, as is selection and ordering information. Ohmite.

Circle No. 285

Capacitor catalog

A new 34-page OEM capacitor catalog gives detailed descriptions of testing procedures for each basic capacitor type. Capacitors are listed by size and voltage rating. Curves are given showing frequency characteristics and temperature coefficient.

Low voltage, semiconductor ceramic, temperature compensating, antenna coupling, line bypass, polystyrene, and R-C combination units augment the standard disc and tubular listings. Centralab Div. of Globe-Union.

Circle No. 286

Flat-Braid Shielding

Flat-braid cable shielding for reduced size and weight is discussed in a 4-page brochure. Tables of weights, sizes, and mechanical and electrical properties are provided. Raychem.

Circle No. 287

How to service relays

A 20-page booklet with illustrations on how to adjust and maintain relays is available. It contains information in relay terminology, what tool to use, maintenance of the armature assembly, tensioning, gauging, current values and timing for most types of relays. P. K. Neuses.

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Motor catalog

Servo motors of all types are included with special purpose motors, stepper motors, synchronous motors and design formulas in this new 31-page catalog. Kearfott Div., General Precision.

Coil guide

The “Guide To Coil Construction” is a 20-page discussion of the major categories and types of coils. Construction considerations, MIL specs and the Underwriters Laboratory aspects of fabrications are covered. Wabash Magnetics.

Armored cables

A 36-page catalog gives details on C-L-X armored cables. Complete descriptions are included, for all sizes and constructions of stock and special cables, together with prices and ordering information. Simplex.

Noise-figure measurements


Wire cable catalog

A wire rope and cable assembly catalog covers physical properties, specifications and application data. Microlin miniaturized cable, electromechanical cable and plastic jacketed cable are features. Bergen Wire Rope Co.

Receiving-tube guide

Vol. 32, No. 3 of Sylvania News is a replacement guide for industrial receiving tubes. It lists direct replacements for frequently encountered types in CATV, broadcast, mobile communications, and aviation equipment. Sylvania.

MW switch catalog

Hermetically sealed coaxial switches are described in a 12-page catalog. Diagrams and specifications for 23 microwave switches are accompanied by an ordering guide and technical details on the variations of voltages, rf connectors, and power terminations that are available with each type. Electronic Specialty.

Recorder brochure

A 12-page paper details the workings of the integrated vibration data recorder. Complete specifications for the 98-channel unit are accompanied by graphs, photographs, and tabulations of parameters. Data Control Systems.

Microscopes/microtomes

A line of microscopes and microtomes for clinical and industrial use is described in a 28-page brochure. Adjustments, special features and usage are included. Reichert.

Integrated circuit memory

An 11-page brochure on the integrated circuit “VersaSTORE” memory gives block diagrams, interface circuit diagrams, timing charts and specifications. The memory has capacities of 256 to 4096 words of up to 24 bits. Decision Control.

Microwave tubes

A quick reference guide to principal specifications of more than 200 of the most widely used microwave tubes has been compiled. This 28-page catalog and cross-reference lists klystrons, magnetrons, crossed field amplifiers, traveling wave tubes, and backward wave tubes. Within each family, tubes are listed by frequency. Raytheon.

Instrument reference

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Circle No. 302

Switch catalog

Bulletin 70 shows a wide variety of lighted control-panel switches. Included are 28 Vdc and 115-230 Vac switches in assorted colors and sizes, including two-color and two-level button combinations. Micro Switch—Honeywell.

Circle No. 303

Analog instruments

A 24-page clip-bound catalog covers a complete line of analog instruments and electronic solid-state counters. Specifications and illustrations are coupled with pricing and applications information. Ana
dex.

Circle No. 304

Knob catalog

This brochure features aluminum instrument knobs, with construction details and ordering information. Included are dual concentric and fine tuning types, as well as other configurations. Atomite Electronics.

Circle No. 305

Infrared components

A 44-page catalog gives specifications for a variety of components and instruments in infrared technology. Also listed are certain new semiconductor developments in allied fields. Santa Barbara Research Center, Hughes Aircraft.

Circle No. 306

Monolithic plug-ins

A four-page technical brochure describes a line of monolithic plug-in integrated DTL circuits. It gives diagrams and schematics for the complete set of logic elements, and includes loading and interface rules. Signetics.

Circle No. 307
Differential voltmeter

This 2-page engineering note describes the model 661 ac/dc guarded differential voltmeter, which operates as a dc potentiometer, dc VTVM and ac VTVM. The note describes the instrument, lists its specifications, and shows the block diagram. Keithley Instruments Inc.  

Circle No. 308

Circuit breakers

A four-page condensed catalog covers precision circuit breakers, their selection and application. Tabular material includes dimensions, characteristics, approvals, and typical applications. Glossaries are appended. Texas Instruments.  

Circle No. 309

Reed relay catalog

A folder describes five series of reed relays. The 12-page booklet gives specifications, drawings, technical data, and application details. Package configurations, contact ratings, operating parameters, and electrical data are quick-referenced for standard and miniature models. New Product Engineering.  

Circle No. 310

Miniature accelerometer

Data sheet T-154, describes the model 610-TX micro-miniature triaxial accelerometer designed for the simultaneous measurement of acceleration phenomena in three mutually perpendicular directions. Complete specifications, electrical and physical, are provided for the instrument. Columbia Research Labs., Inc.  

Circle No. 311

Mobile transceiver tubes

A push-to-talk-service guide contains the basic specifications and ratings of the most popular mobile communications tubes. The 3-color pocket-size sheet includes a card for requesting information and catalogs. Amperex.  

Circle No. 312

Polymer catalog

An illustrated 16-page brochure describes industrial plastic materials, molding compounds, nylon hose, tubing and plastic castings. Physical properties, applications and stock availability are covered. Polymer Corp.  

Circle No. 313

Drafting aids catalog

Drafting aids symbols are featured in a new catalog. The symbols are individually die-cut, printed on adhesive-backed opaque film, and packaged in rolls. Accuracy to ±0.001 in. is maintained in symbols such as integrated circuits, flat packs, welded modules, and PERT diagrams. Bishop Industries.  

Circle No. 314

Logic card catalog

A wide variety of analog and digital integrated circuit logic cards is described in this 20-page catalog. Interface and power cards and mechanical accessories are included. Data Technology.  

Circle No. 315

Process control systems

A line of miniaturized electronic process control equipment is featured in a new 40-page publication. Graphic and photographic illustrations enhance the catalog's presentation of specifications. Block diagrams show the system's operation. Robertshaw Controls.  

Circle No. 316

Aerospace indicators

Catalog No. 15 illustrates and gives specifications for aerospace indicators. Included are tachometers, synchros, special purpose indicators, and ground and shipboard indicators. Engineering data and a MIL-spec index are features. Bendix.  

Circle No. 317

Accuracy is our policy

There were two errors in the article "Find the received signal . . . ." published on page 84 of the Feb. 15, 1966, issue of ELECTRONIC DESIGN.

The expression in brackets in the second line of the equation should read (6400 sin d/6400) instead of (6400 sin 6400/d). Mr. Salley's name should read Ernest J. Salley instead of Edward J. Salley.
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Circle No. 318

Telemetry receiver
A brochure describes a solid-state radio receiver. Block diagrams and photographs are incorporated with specifications for the receiver, RF heads, spectrum display units, etc. Data Control Systems.

Circle No. 319

Corrosion resistance
Corrosion resistance of alloys is discussed in a 38-page booklet. Comparisons of different alloy corrosion resistances to 13 corrosives are detailed in 33 charts and 63 tables.

Technical explanations are developed on passivity, general corrosion, galvanic corrosion, concentration-cell or crevice corrosion, chemical pitting, intergranular corrosion, and the effect of stress on corrosion. Huntington Alloy Div., International Nickel.

Circle No. 320

Silicones brochure
A 20-page brochure gives a good look at the recent explosive pace of developments in RTV silicone rubbers. Emphasis is placed on the problem solving nature of the new compounds. General Electric.

Circle No. 321

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Power Semiconductors

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Circle No. 548

Semiconductor abstracts

Application note 200.0 is a listing of application notes, reprinted articles, manuals, and paper presentations pertaining to semiconductors. An abstract of each piece of literature is given with pricing information for five manuals or guides that are for sale. Order forms are included for free and price-tagged literature. General Electric.

Circle No. 549

Gyro handbook

A handbook on floating integrated gyros gives technical information on theory, design and operation of single-axis floated gyros and accelerometers. They are described in terms of internal construction, basic relevant equations, block diagrams, basic errors, and other data. Microgyns and temperature regulations are considered, and information regarding rate gyros, linear accelerometers and special purpose instruments such as pendulous integrating gyros and angular accelerometers is incorporated. Reeves.

Circle No. 550

Electronics Reports

Microelectronic engineering practices as described by John Hopkins University, a physics reliability handbook from Battelle Memorial Institute, and a design for a logarithmic video amplifier by Syracuse University are offered by the National Bureau of Standards Clearinghouse for Scientific and technical information.

Available from Clearinghouse, U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Springfield, Va. with the following nomenclature and prices: AD-624 315 Microelectronic Engineering Vol I, $7 (microfiche $1.75); AD-624 769 Reliability Physics Handbook, $6 (microfiche $1.50); A Logarithmic Video Amplifier, $2 (microfiche $.50).

Circle No. 551
Plastics properties


Printed circuit production

Techniques for printed circuits production and assemblies for reliable applications are detailed in this guide. Charts, graphs and illustrations compare characteristics and performance data of base materials from phenolic paper to epoxy glass. Industrial Circuits Co.

Circle No. 553

Aerospace antennae

A design handbook on high temperature antennae for space vehicle points to the promising use of superalloys. The 150-page handbook prepared by the Cornell Aeronautical Laboratory for the Air Force, includes evaluations of experimental results, design technology is reviewed, requirements of an aerospace system are outlined, and the properties and limitations of high temperature materials are outlined.


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Material Selection

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*Circle No. 531*

**Mica design manual**
Mica data manual K-6 consists of four pages of electrical and physical data on mica insulating film and sheet. Data include dielectric strength and loss, dielectric constant, and permittivities, resistivities, specific heats and expansions. Physical data are hardness, tensile strength, chemical composition and minimum bending radius. Magnetic Shield Div. Perfection Mica.

*Circle No. 532*

**Conversion tables**
A new, ready-reference wall chart, lists conversion tables on the Brinell and Rockwell hardness test readings. The wall chart presents the hardness conversion numbers in bold type, enabling more than one person to refer to it at a time. The chart measures 11" x 22" and is printed on heavy stock. King Tester Corp.

*Circle No. 533*

**Transducers**
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*Circle No. 534*

**Printed-circuit design**
A brochure for design engineers covers printed circuit boards. It acts as a manual for the newcomer to the field, and as a reference to those actively engaged.

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