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#### Vertical Amplifier

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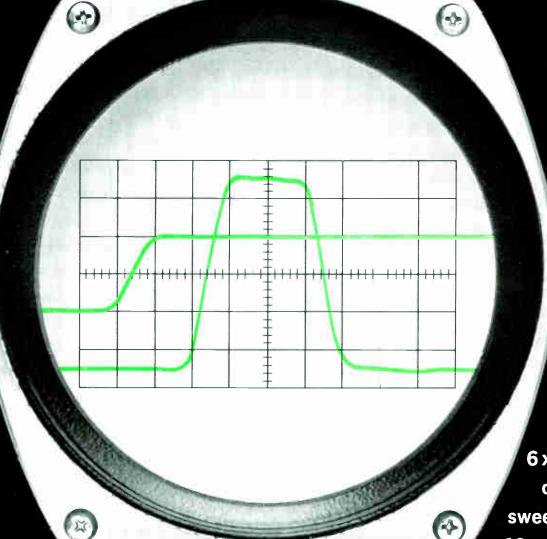
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# CROSSTALK

STAYING AHEAD. Associate Editor Michael Tomaino is regularly the editor of ELECTRONICS' Components and Materials Department. Next week we publish Tomaino's special 24-page report describing electronic components used in today's electronics industry. The report also gives a rundown of component and circuit trends, and points up what kinds of components the industry may be expected to use in large numbers in the future.

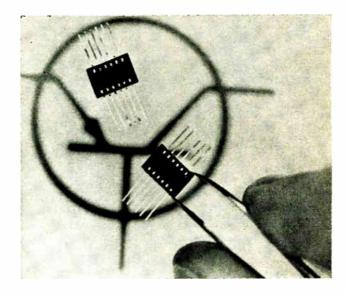
In 1953 the report tells us, both government and industry began a search for new methods of performing electronic functions simply and reliably to meet the need for radical changes in technology to meet requirements of space applications. With constant awareness of space application needs, the electronics art has been pushed to a midway point—one foot in the era of solid-state physics, and one foot in the era of improved miniature components of the types more familiar to the electronics industry.

Tomaino has attempted to show in his report where the search for more reliable electronic systems has taken us, and what has been accomplished—from individual components to functional blocks. What effect will this have on the electronics industry? What is the role of the circuit designer in modern electronic systems? Can we forecast trends with reasonable accuracy by reviewing past experience? What is the significance of the enormous effort to "go small"? Are component makers planning ahead? Do we have a revolution in electronics today, or are these changes merely evolutionary?

We have heard a lot about reliability; what promise do these overall trends hold for more reliable systems? Will there be big problems ahead in developing functional blocks? Will functional blocks replace conventional components as we know them today?

The report indicates greater activity in carving electronic circuits from the solid block than the casual observer might realize. Doubtless, individual resistors, capacitors and inductors will be used in certain circuit assemblies until doomsday; however, even these conventional components may undergo changes to meet the changing needs of the forthcoming integrated circuit era.

Many component manufacturers are giving more emphasis to research and development in an effort to keep their share of the market; but



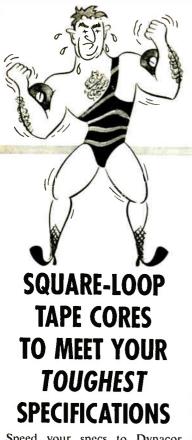
those manufacturers who choose to wait and see, before committing themselves to a full-blown R&D program are playing a precarious game. The axiom that one must continually forge ahead to retain one's present standing was never more appropriately applied than to today's components industry.

For example: one manufacturer has produced an integrated-circuit receiver. A glass supplier (Corning, photo) is now offering black-glass packages for such circuits. And the military orders in quantity electronic equipment having a packing density of 10<sup>6</sup> components per cubic foot. Details on this sort of activity is an important part of Tomaino's report.

What, we think, the report particularly highlights are the opportunities for sudden breakthroughs, bringing unexpected developments and considerable rewards to the developers.

#### Coming In Our May 11 Issue

DISTORTED. A device for measuring distortion caused by tape flutter is described by author A. Schulbach, of RCA. J. W. Gratian, of General Dynamics/Electronics contributes a feature article on a time compression system using analog methods. A trio of authors from Stanford University J. R. Fontara, R. H. Pantell, and R. G. Smith, write about the advantages and effects of nonlinear quantum devices. Jacob S. Zuckerbraun discusses the high reliability scanner developed for star-tracking purposes aboard the astronomical satellite.



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### COMMENT

#### More on Photochemical Retina

The title, Electromagnetic Retina, of the letter by A. J. Reynolds in the March 23 issue (p 4) attracted my attention because of my interest in the perception of color by the eye. However, after reading the letter, I found I couldn't tell what Mr. Reynolds was talking about. What possible connection can ancient Egyptian wheat or the body temperature of the mouse have to do with the mechanism by which the retina operates? Also, if he had taken the trouble, he would have found that the size of the cone, far from being compatible with his theory of being a quarter-wave stub, is actually of the order of 100 wavelengths long.

You may be interested in the enclosed copy of my paper. Theory on the Receptor Mechanism in Color Vision, which was published in the Journal of the Optical Society of America, in October 1960. In it I propose a theory that requires only one, but may have more, photochemicals. There has been considerable interest among ophthalmologists in this theory, although it is hard for most of them to understand even the explanation in the paper, which most electronic engineers would find over-simplified.

ALFRED C. SCHROEDER RCA Laboratories

Princeton, New Jersey

## The abstract of reader Schroeder's paper:

A theory is proposed to account for the color discrimination in the eye which does not require three different kinds of photochemicals or three different kinds of cones. Color discrimination is accomplished by at least three identical receptors positioned at appropriate positions along the outer segment of each cone. Some examples of color matching diagrams that can be obtained with this theory are compared with the CIE [Commission Internationale d'Eclairage, which previously was ICI, International Commission on Illumination] color matching diagram. Some comments are made indicating how it might

be possible to get three separate signals from three receptors which all are within one cone.

#### More On Electromagnetic Retina

The reply by Frank Leary (p 4, April 6) to my original letter (p 4, March 23) is in itself a classic reply to a letter that was deliberately provocative. In essence it says: "The man's views are unconventional, therefore, he must be some sort of nut. Q.E.D."

First. I did not say there was no such thing as a photochemical, I said that the mechanics of color vision can be explained electromagnetically.

Second. It is a straightforward (although expensive) matter to construct a working model of the eye using the electromagnetic approach. This model can be made in any part of the EM spectrum, and the system performance could approach that of the eye. The only concession asked for is that it be agreed that white light is "white noise" and that a broad-band noise generator may be used as the "light source." The output from this model could be processed by a computer, so that it is conceivable that the computer could use such an "eye" as a source of information on which to base decisions. Note that the only reason this model must be in the microwave region rather than in the visible light band is the mechanical difficulty of working with physical pieces of the correct size.

Is the photochemical school in a position to demonstrate such a device?

Mr. Leary, concentrating on photochemicals, failed to remark on some other, equally outrageous, suggestions. Contrary to the allegation, there is a close chain of reasoning behind these statements and one which ties many diverse phenomena into a coherent system.

A good case can be made for assuming that all living molecules extract power directly from the electromagnetic spectrum to perform their functions and that they do so on a frequency-selective basis.

A. J. REYNOLDS Babylon, New York

That last paragraph proposes a remarkable theory. Any takers?









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# ELECTRONICS NEWSLETTER

### Superconducting Pumps Raise Magnetic Fields

WASHINGTON—Techniques for multiplying the strength of magnetic fields in superconducting niobium alloy devices were independently reported last week at the American Physical Society meeting by scientists from Jet Propulsion Laboratory and General Electric.

Both told how blocks of niobium are prepared with two adjacent holes. A field is set up through both holes. Then, a rod inserted in one hole forces all the field into the other hole. When the hole blocked is several times larger than the unblocked hole, the strength of the trapped field is multiplied. Fields up to 25 kilogauss can be obtained in this way.

JPL reportedly raised a 200gauss field to 3.6 kilogauss by acually pumping the flux. The niobium block was fitted with two valves to control the flow of magnetic flux. These were operated over 25 10-sec cycles to attain 3.6 kilogauss, the critical field of niobium.

Both JPL and GE think that fields up to 100 kilogauss can be obtained; JPL said pumps would have to be larger and be made of materials with higher critical fields. According to GE, some unexplained phenomena will have to be understood first.

Such large, heatless (devices are cryogenically cooled), low-powerconsumption fields could be used for radiation shielding in space, thermonuclear plasma containment. plasma propulsion engines, improving resolution of electron microscopes and a variety of scientific purposes.

### Looks Like Conelrad Is on Its Way Out

WASHINGTON—Changes are being developed in the Conelrad system to "insure more effective presidential and civilian defense communications with the public in the event of a national emergency," FCC and the Department of Defense said last week.

The two agencies acknowledged what critics of Conelrad have been saying for years: combining all radio broadcasts into two frequencies (640 and 1,240 Kc) won't prevent enemy bombers from homing because better aerial navigation methods now exist. One major criticism was that switching local stations from assigned frequencies to a Conelrad frequency would confuse uninformed listeners.

For the time being, however, existing rules remain in effect, the agencies said. Broadcasters were cautioned "not to expect the disappearance of all emergency condition controls. Some restriction on electromagnetic radiation will still be required to insure effective civil and defense communications."

### Proton Maser Is Tunable, Gives Continuous Output

BOSTON—National Company reports that it has achieved c-w amplification with a room-temperature proton maser. At 15 Mc, with an input signal of  $3 \times 10^{-13}$  watt, it gave 20-db gain and bandwidth of 100 cps.

The amplifier is tunable from 2

### Tv Oneupmanship

TOKYO—Mitsubishi Electric now claims the title of producer of the world's smallest ty set.

Like the 5-in. Sony set reported last week, it operates on a-c or battery power. But it weighs 6 lb—2 lb lighter— and has a 6-in. screen. Mitsubishi says the smaller size is made possible by a new kind of tuner.

Mitsubishi plans to place the set on the U. S. market this fall. Domestic price is about \$140. Export price has not been announced Kc to hundreds of megacycles, depending on field strength. The developers, Alexander Ganssen, Eugene La Vier and Earl Sloan, III, say they are also interested in stable oscillator application because of the maser's high spectral purity. An oscillator could have a linewidth of 1 part in 10".

Work on proton masers was begun in 1957 by French researchers. A two-level device, it takes advantage of the Overhauser effects in low-viscous liquids, to obtain excess population of upper energy levels. National uses tetrachlorosemiquinone, a magnetic field of 3.5 kilogauss, and supplies pump power at 9 Gc with a klystron.

At low-frequency, the maser might be used as an earth-field magnetometer. Atmospheric and galactic noise may restrict r-f applications, but it would be useful for research.

### U. S. and USSR Draft a Weather Satellite Pact

WASHINGTON—A draft compact for U. S.-Soviet cooperation in meteorology—including satellites—was revealed at a 20-nation conference held here late last month as part of the planning for the International Year of the Quiet Sun. The draft was drawn up at Geneva under auspices of the World Meteorological Organization.

The Washington meeting was one of a series aimed at intensifying international cooperation in satelliteassisted meteorological surveys and solar surveys.

Soviet delegates acknowledged that they have much to learn about satellite meteorology from the U. S. and confirmed the meteorological purpose of the current Soviet satellite series, which still lack cameras (Cosmos 3 and 4 were launched last week, but the Moscow announcements omitted equipment details).

### Japanese EIA Against Radio Price-Cutting

TOKYO—Japanese Electronic Industries Association has advised its members not to cut prices for sixtransistor radios despite price cuts by U. S. manufacturers. JEIA acted after the New York branch of the Japan External Trade Organization (an influential government-sponsored agency) said price drops in the U. S. were a "passing pathetic phenomenon." JETRO said the cuts could mean U. S. manufacturers were cleaning up inventory, stopgapping Japanese imports or using trade strategy so they could buy Japanese radios at reduced prices in the future.

### Vapor Deposition Forms Transistors and Diodes

SYLVANIA this week announced a series of thin-film processing developments, including techniques for forming diodes and transistors from silicon vapor. The techniques are all still being studied at the company's microelectronics lab in Waltham, Mass.

A number of large-junction-area diodes and transistors have been formed. Objective is methods of forming active and passive elements on the same ceramic wafer. Other developments include methods of amplifying currents with ceramics; high-resistivity and highcapacitance films; glass coating for ceramic wafers to reduce circuit size by improving definition.

Sylvania also reported that it is in pilot production of thin-film circuits for military applications. A variety of computer, amplifier and oscillator circuits, in frequencies up to 152 Mc, are being made.

### Last Week's Satellite Score: 1.5 Successes

ALTHOUGH RANGER 4 failed to send back data and photos from the moon, the mission was at least a half-success, reports from Jet Propulsion Laboratory and its contractors indicate.

The launch was a good one, ground support and initial guidance gear worked well. The unguided spacecraft hit the moon, a feat several earlier U. S. probes view unable to accomplish. The transmitter in the small lunar landing capsule operated and was used to track the craft to impact.

The first international scientific satellite (p 32, April 20) had better luck. It went into orbit as planned. Instrumented by several British institutions and launched by NASA, it is England's first space traveler.

### Broadband Light Pumps Calcium Fluoride Laser

DEVELOPMENT of a laser triggered by broadband light—in the visible, infrared and ultraviolet spectra was announced last week by RCA. The company said the crystal used "reduces by 10 times the amount of energy required by present types" to produce infrared beams.

It should soon be possible, the company indicated, to achieve continuous infrared emission from the crystal by using mercury or tungsten lamps to activate it. At present, it operates with a pulse duration of several milliseconds.

The crystal is calcium fluoride doped with divalent dysprosium. It emits radiation at 2.36 microns when pumped by energies from 1 to 0.3 micron. Energy input and output were not specified.

### Rocket Failure Thwarts Reentry Reception Test

BOSTON—Rocket failure sets back for another year an Air Force experiment to test communications and telemetry through a reentry plasma sheath. The second stage of a Blue Scout failed to ignite and the vehicle landed in the ocean. Another try will be made next spring, Air Force Cambridge Research Labs said.

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### In Brief...

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- LASER SURVEILLANCE techniques are being developed by Electro-Optical Systems under Air Force contracts for design of c-w oscillators, amplifiers and oscillators, and variable attenuator, phase shifter and power divider operating at 0.5 to 0.8 micron.
- NORWEGIAN firm of Kongsberge Vapenfabrikk will be prime contractor for NATO production of Martin's Bullpup missile. Components will be bought from U. S. only until European suppliers can qualify parts to meet specs.
- SWITZERLAND will use Hughes Aircraft's Taran-1 radar and fire control system in Mirage-IH-S aircraft. The planes carry Hughes' radar-guided HM-55-S missiles.
- GENERAL INSTRUMENT has won a Navy contract to develop oceanographic instrumentation and to conduct underwater studies for the Polaris program.
- SPERRY GYROSCOPE has new Polaris contracts of \$11.1 million, bringing fiscal year total to \$40 million. New orders are mostly for navigation equipment for the 20th to 29th subs.
- ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS' share in Air Force airborne command post program rises to \$15 million with \$2 million contract for radio relays to go in B-47s.
- NASA has awarded contracts of \$1.9 million and \$1 million, respectively, to RCA and Epsco for ground checkout systems. RCA will supply computer system for Saturn program, Epsco an edp system to check out various satellites.
- NINE ASIAN countries are considering a 6,000-mile submarine cable communications system. The Japanese Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications estimates cost at \$85 million.

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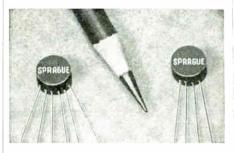
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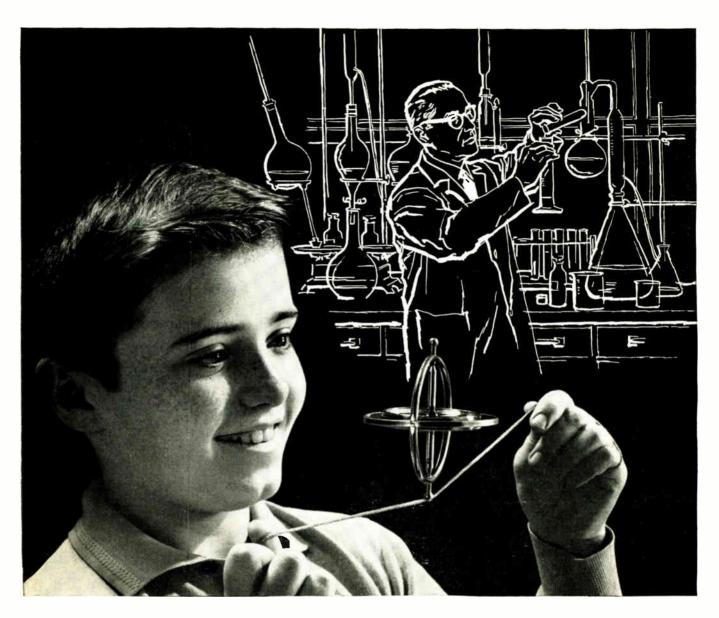
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# WASHINGTON OUTLOOK

THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY has gotten deep into the battle against the administration's tax proposals to tighten up the taxation of profits of overseas subsidiaries of U.S. manufacturers.

Harold S. Geneen, of ITT, told the Senate Finance Committee that adoption of the bill would not produce any substantial new revenues, and would make U.S. subsidiaries noncompetitive with their foreign firms in the same markets.

Electronics Industries Association, representing the views of such firms as GE, RCA, Philco, Motorola and others, told the committee the bill would hurt foreign trade, causing many companies to slow down planned expansion of foreign trade activity. Hewlett Packard will, also, submit a report to the committee.

Without naming names, the EIA spokesman, David Flower, Jr., of Raytheon, gave several examples of specific electronics industry cases involving England and other European countries to show how the new bill would hamper operations and expansion.

Hearings of the Senate Committee were to end May 3, after which it would go into executive session to write amendments to the bill the House passed.

The guessing is, that the Senate will pass the tax bill in one form or another, but a great many compromises and deals will be made before a measure is finally sent to the White House.

AN ELECTRONICS EXPERT is taking over the job of managing development of a new air traffic control system for the Federal Aviation Agency. Administrator Najeeb E. Halaby selected Robert J. Shank, president of American Systems, Inc., for the job. Applying the systems concept already used by the Air Force, Shank will be in charge of research, design, engineering procurement, installation and maintenance of the future traffic control system—responsibilities that have been divided among a number of separate officials.

FEDERAL REGULATION is failing to keep pace with the galloping technology of communications. This is the finding of a survey of the Federal Communications Commission by Booz-Allen and Hamilton, made at the request of the Bureau of the Budget.

The FCC will be enlarged, given improved equipment, and provided better personnel in key positions, if Congress heeds the advice of the management consultants.

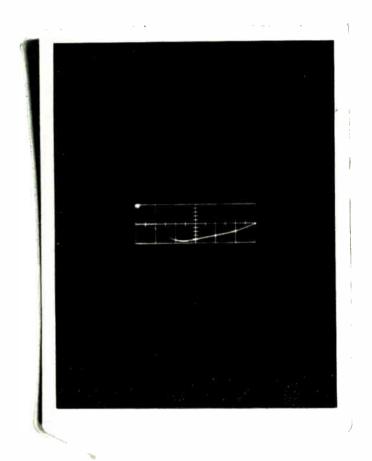
Rate regulation of such common carrier communications companies as American Telephone and Telegraph and Western Union is found lacking in depth and scope and completely inadequate for the protection of the public interest. Under present conditions, the FCC is said to be unable to cope with the problem of regulating the rates of such a vast enterprise as AT&T.

The consultants include a kind word for Chairman Newton N. Minow, and express confidence that his "positive leadership" will help move the agency in the right directions. But the report urged broader executive powers for the FCC chairman, a step that Congress already has refused to take.

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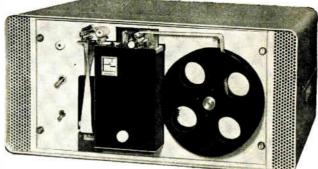
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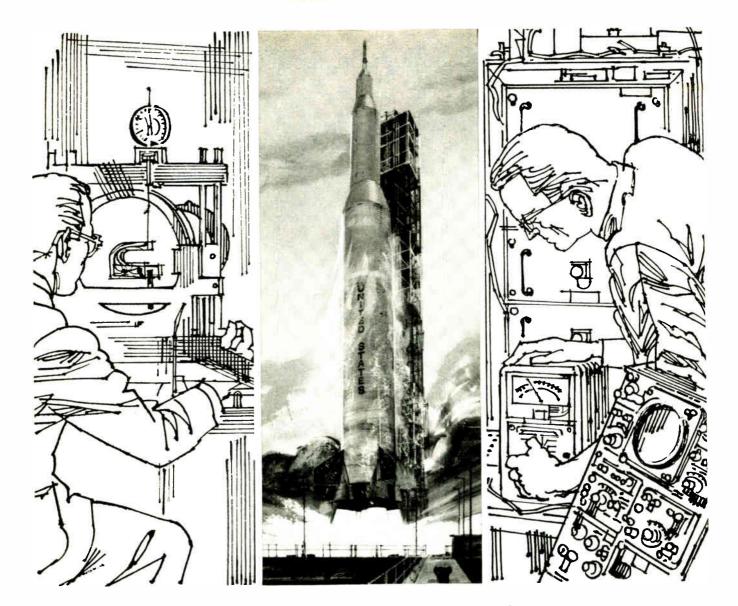


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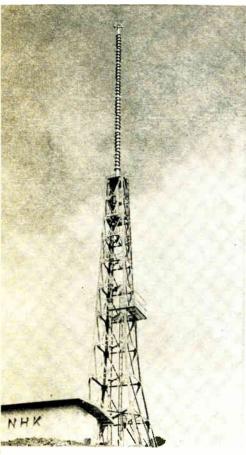
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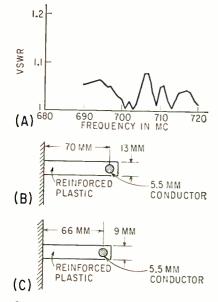


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# Japanese Components Men Stress



Rugged, screw-like design of helical antenna enables it to withstand typhoons



Standing wave characteristic of screw antenna (A). Conductor is encased in plastic. Dimensions of plastic support for upper two elements (B) and lower two elements (C) differ slightly

#### By CHARLES COHEN McGraw-Hill World News

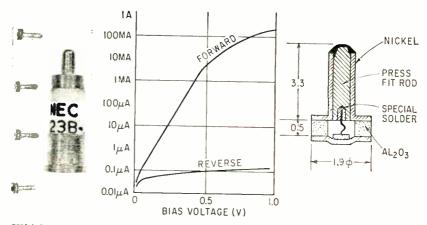
TOKYO—Integrated devices and diodes were featured at the semiconductor sessions during the annual convention of Japan's four electrical societies last month.

Semiconductor sessions of previous conventions have been dominated by high-frequency transistors, but a surplus of h-f transistor production capacity has decreased interest in this area. Also, the Japanese electronics industry, which was almost wholly communications-oriented, is diversifying.

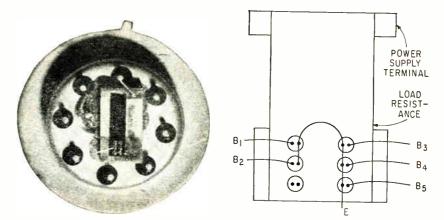
Kunio Tada, of Tokyo Univer-

sity, introduced a solid-state module for dctl (direct-coupled transistorlogic) circuits. Six mesa transistors are formed at one end of an n-type silicon bar and their emitters connected together. The output connection is made to a plate soldered to the lower surface of a bar under the transistors. The power supply is connected to the far end of the bar, which acts as load resistance. Inputs are applied to individual bases, for AND or OR circuits (lower right).

The voltage margin is equal to that of circuits using germanium microalloy transistors. Storage in collector region, which is the main



Whisker diodes are dwarfed by standard-sized commercial diode (photo). Performance and structure of whisker diode developed for 6 to 11-Ge resonant and twt amplifiers



Several mesa transistors are formed on silicon bar for detl logic circuits. Here, five of six transistors are connected. Emitters are connected; base inputs vary according to circuit needs

# Integrated Circuits and Diodes

cause of propagation delay, has been reduced to 0.5  $\mu$ sec by gold diffusion. Epitaxial techniques might reduce it further. Delay time is 0.5  $\mu$ sec for two storages.

Negative resistance device for generating sawtooth waves has been developed by a group at Nippon Electric Co.; pnpn devices for this purpose require high-power supply voltages (making microminiaturization difficult) and have low output voltage. The new device consists of an npn transistor having high forward and reverse current gains, fabricated by epitaxial techniques on an  $n^*$  silicon wafer.

Negative resistance appears at the approximately 8-v breakdown voltage of the collector junction. An approximately 7.4-v sawtooth output is obtained with 10-v power.

A magnetic-type stepping diode that can be used to perform most functions, except display, of gasfilled counters was developed by Koichi Omura, of Osaka University. Parallel double-base diodes are formed on single piece of semiconductor by making a series of junctions in a circle on a round wafer. Base connections are made at the rim and in the center.

Modulation of diode characteristics by holes injected from a neighboring diode effects current transfer. A perpendicular magnetic field provides directional characteristics. In use, the bias supply is connected between bases and stepping is obtained by applying 180-deg out-of-phase pulses simultaneously to alternate junctions which have been connected.

Variable capacitance silicon diodes were fabricated with an alloydiffusion process by Tokuzo Sukegawa, of Tohoku University. Reproducibility is excellent, making for small shrinkage during production. Control of slope of impurity distribution (drift field) is simple; the wafer is easy-to-etch *p*-type silicon, so a thin base region is easily obtained. Lead connection directly to the wafer makes for low base resistance.

Interest in physical properties of semiconductor materials and thin

films was also greater than previously. Papers on effects of illumination on semiconductor materials and devices were numerous.

The silver-bonded diode attracted attention at the microwave session. Applications included frequency multipliers, modulators and microwave switches.

Silver-bonded diode with whisker length of 0.6 to 0.7 mm and diameter of 45 microns was developed at Electrical Communications Laboratory (ECL) of Nippon Telegraph and Telephone. Subminiature size minimizes series inductance, spacing between diodes and discontinuities introduced into microwave circuits (upper right).

Measured series inductance is 0.49 nh, capacitance at -3 v is 0.127 pf, at 0 v 0.246 pf. at +3volts 0.85 pf. Rectification ratio measured at plus and minus 1 v is more than 100,000.

Sumitomo Electric Industries Co. reported on an unusual antenna for NHK's experimental station at Hitachi. Looking like a screw, it is a horizontally polarized helix (left).

The radiator conductor is completely enclosed in a helical reinforced plastic insulator attached to the center pole. This construction is said to reduce cost and improve strength.

The antenna consists of four elements. Each has 10 turns, five spiraling in one direction and five in the other direction. Identical lengths of AX-20D coax feed to the center of each section. Length of each of the conductors is three wavelengths.

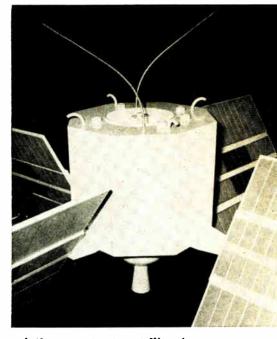
At 704 to 710 Mc, the antenna is horizontally nondirectional within 2 db, vertical gain is 13 db and beam tilt is 0.5 deg.

## Japan Plans Tv Satellite For 1964 Olympic Games

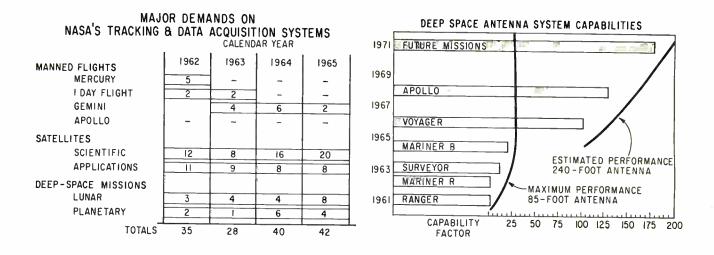
JAPANESE SCIENTISTS hope to provide world-wide tv coverage of the 1964 Olympic games in Tokyo by three, or possibly four, active repeater satellites in synchronous orbits.

The satellites will be boosted into orbit by either a U. S. Scout or Thor-Delta rocket. Hovering positions will be over the equator at 170 deg W lat, 70 deg E lat, and 50 deg W lat. Choice of launch vehicles and hovering positions will be left up to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Nippon Electric Company (NEC), now engaged in research on the project, proposes a 105½ lb cylindrical craft, 66 cm in diameter and 49 cm high, equipped with four solar cell panels (6,889 sq cm each), and three antennas. Mitsubishi Electric will build telemetry gear and Mitsubishi Shipbuilding & Engineering, an automatic position control system.



Active repeater tv satellites in research stage at Nippon Electric Company to hover over points along equator at 22,380 mi



# NASA Needs New Ground Gear

THE NEW BREED of spacecraft now being readied for flight in 1963 is requiring a similar revolution in the ground stations that will track them and acquire their data.

Although fewer in number during this year of transition than the number of spacecraft launched in 1962, the complexity, range of operation, mission duration, and volume of data will increase. The 3orbit Mercury flights will be replaced by 18-orbit flights and the two-man Gemini missions. Most of the small scientific satellites will give way to the large orbiting observatories. The Tiros meteorological satellite will be replaced by Nimbus. The single Echo shots and the Relay active communications satellite will make way for the 3-balloon Rebound and the synchronous Syncom. Only the lunar and planetary probes will maintain their 1962 pace. By 1964, not only increased performance will be the norm but also a stepped up schedule -40 missions; in 1965, 42,

Ground facilities to handle the new generation of spacecraft will cost an estimated \$158.4 million in R&D and \$35.85 million for construction in 1963 funds. Here are the major requirements, as described by NASA's E. C. Buckley, Director, Tracking and Data Acquisition, to Congressional subcommittees.

The manned one-day missions will require one contact with ground stations per orbit. This means new telemetry gear at eleven Mercury sites. Also, all sites will be equipped with ground-to-vehicle command facilities. For the orbits that do not pass over Mercury sites, the mid-Atlantic ship will be moved to the Pacific, west of Chile, and the Indian Ocean ship to a point near Madagascar.

Although Gemini and Apollo missions will rely heavily on existing ground nets, more facilities—specifics are not yet determined—will be needed. The rendezvous and landing maneuver portions of the flights will both require specialized instrumentation-mating with the system in the capsule.

One big problem will come from spacecraft with highly eccentric orbits. The Eccentric Geophysical Observatory, for example, will have an apogee of 50,000 mi. Period of revolution will be about 40 hr. Time required for the satellite to move from one Minitrack station to another is too long to wait to determine its orbit. One technique now being developed is the Range and Range-Rate System. This consists of a transponder aboard the satellite and three ground stations. The transponder receives a signal on one frequency and retransmits on another. The three ground stations record the signal and obtain a radial velocity component of the satellite. A central computer receives information from all three stations simultaneously and computes the actual position of the satellite, its direction and velocity.

NASA's Deep Space Network reception capability must be increased to satisfy the growth in mission requirements by a factor of 200 over the decade. Mariner B launches, scheduled to begin in 1964, will be the last spacecraft our present complex of three 85-ft antennas can handle. A proposed 240-ft system will provide a capability adequate to meet the needs of future spacecraft beginning with Voyager, and Apollo, and including live tv from the moon. One 240-ft dish is requested for Goldstone, Calif.; an additional 85-ft at each of the other two sites, Woomera, Australia and South Africa.

Currently, parametric preamplifiers are being installed in the 85-ft systems to give overall receiving system sensitivities of 260 deg K. This will be a big improvement over the past sensitivity of 1,430 deg K. In the future, using a maser preamplifier, a low-noise Cassegrain feed system, and the 2,290-2,300 Mc frequency band assigned for space communications, a sensitivity of about 60 deg K will be possible.

Existing equipment for the big orbiting observatories consists of an 85-ft antenna at Rosman, N. C., and one in Alaska. In addition, one more is requested for Rosman and one for a station in the Far East. These antenna systems use two higher frequency bands, 400-401 Mc and 1,700-1,710 Mc. Also, higher power transmitters, which can be pulse modulated by a new digital tone coder, are being developed. These satellites will use information bandwidths of 1-3 Mc (communications satellite bandwidths are 3-10 Mc wide).

# PULSED-DOPPLER TECHNIQUES FOR Tracking Hurricanes More Accurately

#### By ROY J. BRUUN Assistant Editor

PULSED DOPPLER weather radar techniques, conceived at Air Force Cambridge Research Laboratories, may provide surer warnings as to where hurricanes in the northern latitudes will strike. If these techniques are adopted, needless turmoil, such as that generated by Hurricane Esther in 1961, may be prevented.

Early in the morning, Esther was wrathfully bound for industrial cities in New England. Then, according to radar, it seemed to stall some distance off shore. Taking advantage of the respite, people along the coast continued to board up shops and stay home from work. It was 2½ hours before radar was able to determine that the "stall" had been a shift in course; the hurricane eye—center of the propelling circular winds—was now moving out to sea.

Reason for the confusion was the loose construction of hurricanes in temperate zones. In tropical areas, the eye is surrounded by precipitation bands—swirling winds containing tightly packed weather droplets. It is this water that existing radars detect. As the hurricane travels to temperate areas, like New England, these bands move out from the eye as much as 500 miles. Existing weather radars dependent on reflections from dense masses of water droplets are no longer able to determine the position of the eye, which is now surrounded by winds containing relatively small amounts of moisture.

The AFCRL group, headed by David Atlas, feels that pulsed techniques will enable radar to penetrate the wet outer winds with energy sufficient to reflect signals from the few water droplets in the eye-surrounding winds. These return signals will be strong enough to show up on radar scopes. The use of doppler techniques, they say, will permit phase detection of weaker returns that might not be picked up by amplitude detection. Combining the two techniques will provide very effective pickup of the eye-surrounding winds. This basic concept is the foundation for further techniques conceived by the AFCRL group.

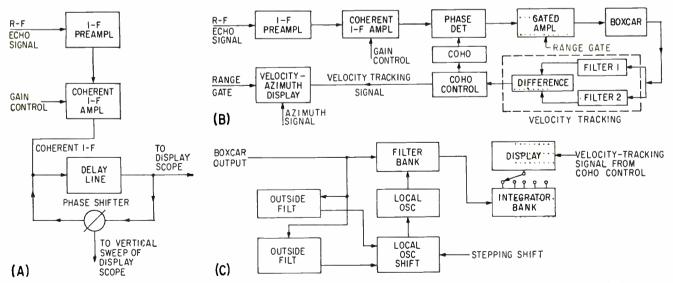
One of these methods is the coherent integration technique that phase-compares several successive echo signal pulses in a specified time. Phase differences indicate wind velocities. Velocities measured at different ranges in turn indicate eye location, since the fastest winds surround the eye.

Coherent integration would be provided by a coherent memory filter furnishing the equivalent of a filter bank at each range element (pulse width). It can analyze wind velocities at all ranges simultaneously.

The coherent memory filter recirculates successive pulse-to-pulse i-f signals N times through a unity gain delay line loop that includes a periodic phase shifter. Phase shifts are from 0 to  $2\pi$  over a time equal to one pulse width. Return signals with pulse-to-pulse greatest frequency change will show on a scope the greatest energy increase from pulse to pulse at the delay-line output.

One version of the coherent memory filter, developed by General Electric, is being used by Cornell Aeronautical Labs for velocity mapping of weather echoes.

Other factors are direction and speed of winds and storm turbulence. These are measured by phase detection and filtering techniques designated as velocity-azimuth display and doppler power density spectrum display.



Coherent integration (A) to detect wind surrounding hurricane eye. Velocity-azimuth display shows wind direction and speed (B). Doppler power density spectrum display indicates severity of turbulence in thunderstorms (C)

# Sales Earnings Gains Are

#### SALES AND EARNINGS OF 70 ELECTRONICS COMPANIES

COMPANY	1961 Sales	1960 Sales	1961 Earnings	1960 Earnings
Adler Electronics	\$8,963,000	\$3,613,000	\$231,000	\$56,000
Aerovox	22.307.735	20.521.815	-606.568	122,000
American Electronic Labs	3,371.688	2.691.119	81,207	73,127
A M P	59,250,729	53,901,779	6,311,450	5.618.346
Assembly Products	1,161,389	3,400,579	199,689	242,058
Analogue Controls	1,300,000	1,100,000	0	-430,000
Bell & Howell	113,076.000	111,116,000	3,902,000	5,105,000
Bendix.	757,999,062	787.000.000	23.968.664	26.118.171
Borg-Warner	584,721,910 38,751,765	586.878.718 36.625.528	$23,431,702 \\ 1,383,022$	27,207,601 1,301,091
Burroughs. California Magnetic Control	401,210,737 437,210	$389.210.550 \\ 388.213$	$10.489.369 \\ -20.923$	9.235.867 - 29.160
Camloc Fastener.	4,493,661	3,777.130	336.228	271,720
C-E-I-R	10.940.358	5.769.880	-927.156	-259,188
Chicago Aerial Industries	9,676,682	6,196,160	-310.697	-717.861
Clevite	91,874,140	95.525.348	5,112,689	6.825,635
Computer Instruments	3,052,212	2.136.318	325.000	205,061
Consolidated Electronics Ind	144.137.881	92,939,802	5,003,089	1, 129, 843
ст s	21,468,189	20.017,758	1,822,743	1.619,881
Data Control Systems	3,790,226	3.381.117	162.336	-18,932
Eitel McCullough	27,000.000	28,308.038	450,000	-662,961
Electronic Associates	18.681.000	15.171.000	1,112,000	828,000
Electronic Specialty	27.751.379	11.735.516	1,482,144	37,219
Electronics Corp. of America	7.511.277	6.549.547	256.577	217,419
Emertron	14.005.269	10.366.187	333,499	-42,352
Erie Resistor	23,691.861	25,902.646	495,050	616.517
Fairchild Stratos	75,959,862	85.096.896	3.129.038	-5.994.650
General Electric	4,456,815.169	4,197.500,000	242.078.957	200,100,000
General Railway Signal	36,215,222	36.301.941	3.316.285	2.968.253
General Telephone & Electronics	1,226,581,000	1,178,175,000	73,774,000	72.430.000
Hewlett Packard	85,590,239	76,809,369	5.873.872	4,991,739
lligh Voltage Engineering	13.013.384	12.332.819	1,178,436	1,016,650
Hoffman Electronics	57,243,000	51.271.837	-647.000	- 968.400
Indiana General. International Business Mach	22.034.915 1.694.295.547	19.631.041 1,136.053.085	1.790,663 207,227,597	1,129,811 168,180,880
International Electronic Resistance.	6.289.729	5.239.831	452.571	316.507
International Resistance International Tel. & Tel	23,005,301 930,499,931	20.821.173 869.506.958	2.021.432 36.059.034	1.943,450 32,103,309
Itek	39,252,000	35.053.837	-1,036,000	866,337
Lear	92,146,000	90.979,000	3,257,000	2,822,000
Lockheed Aircraft	1,444,510,000	1,332,289,000	26,096,000	-41.900,000
Magnetic Controls.	1,052,651	1.382.375	-205,760	29,133
P. R. Mallory	85,197,000	83.586.000	1,513,000	1.367,000
Minneapolis-Honeywell	470.205.911	126.183.310	21.959.912	26,228,148
Minnesota Mining & Mfg	608,230,326	549.675.000	71.911.576	70,692,000
Motorola	298,219,845	301,019,185	9,517.308	12.633.813
National Research	10,111,000	9,176,000	518,000	255,000
Dak Manufacturing	23,017,077	17.642.295	557,662	351,310
Pacific Automation	5,112,183	6.011.130	116.529	-860,110
Packard Bell	31.887.807	11.029.822	-9.511.162	207,704
Philips Electronic & Pharm	38.345.040	33,269.155	1,051.066	1,042,193
Premier Microwave	3.124.949	2.456.919	162,501	103,518
Radio Corp. of America	1,545,912.000	1.191.896.000	35.511.000	35,117,000
Raytheon	562.901,000	539,975,000	6,877,000	8,105,000
Republic Foil	8,750,493	4.429.137	306.793	103,254
Reeves Soundcraft	6.520.690	5.896.485	949,501	980,853
Royal Industries	14,588,000	13,390,730	400,000	167,583
Sigma Instruments	9,892.164	9,303.821	162,251	335,025
Standard Kollsman Faffet Electronics	101,289,860	95,568,805	3,183,966	3,459,992
anot factiones	1,779,862	1.011.938	97.963	36,126
	5,095,500	4,285,000	208,100	119,200
			34,000	49,424
Fensor Electronic Developments	625,000	690,968		
Tensor Electronic Developments           Texas Instruments	$\frac{625,000}{233,223,325}$	232.713.153	9.116.386	15,488,209
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REVIEW OF THE ANNUAL REPORTS of 70 companies in the electronics industry reveals a generally healthy relationship between sales and earnings for 1961 as compared with the year 1960. Most of the companies show an increase in both sales and earnings (see table).

Five annual reports, those of Eitel McCullough, Fairchild Stratos, General Railway Signal, Pacific Automation and Tung-Sol, show declines in sales. Earnings for these five companies, however, were better in 1961 than 1960. Eitel Mc-Cullough, Fairchild Stratos and Pacific Automation lost money in 1960, but they showed a profit in 1961.

Seven companies showed a drop in both sales and earnings. In general, companies deriving income partially from electronics and partially from other sources reported that their electronics divisions did well, and attributed declines in sales and earnings to other operations.

Bell & Howell, for example, which derives about 42 percent of its volume from electronics said the decline of about \$1 million in both sales and earnings was due to increased spending for R & D and lower performance in photographic sales. Sales and earnings in electronic instrumentation and related fields gained in 1961.

Bendix's electronics operations also did well, according to company spokesmen. Losses derived from drops in commercial aviation sales, lower profits in research and development contracts and other nonelectronic activities.

Other companies with declines in both sales and earnings blamed increased spending in capital improvement, increased overhead costs and financing of product developments.

Half of the companies reporting a drop in earnings despite increases in sales attribute the change to increased spending for R & D. Magnetic Controls, for ex-

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ample, spent \$336,000 in 1961 on research and development as against \$132,000 in 1960. Aerovox, Assembly Products, Itek, Minneapolis-Honeywell and Standard Kollsman include stepped up R&D spending in their reasons for lower earnings in 1961.

Minneapolis-Honeywell, which now does some 32 percent of its volume in space guidance systems reports that most of its electronics activities prospered during 1961. Decline in earnings of slightly more than \$1 million is largely attributed to financing developments in data processing.

Texas Instruments, which showed a decline of \$6,041,184 in earnings and an increase of \$510,172 in sales for 1961 compared to 1960, attributes the change to severe pricing pressures in semiconductors and lower defense spending during parts of 1961. Added to this, according to the company, are the adverse affects of overseas austerity conditions on TI installations in Great Britain and elsewhere in Europe.

Other companies with declines in earnings despite higher sales report having used earnings to finance installations, initiate product developments and absorb costs of expansions started in 1960.

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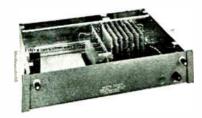
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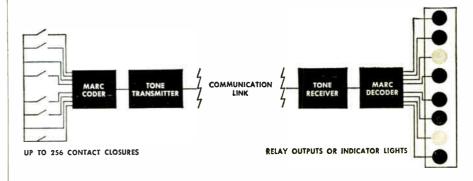
The MARC Coder continuously generates serial time coded signals in accordance with the input signals monitored. Each pulse in the serial code train is weighted short or long, in appropriate sequential order, according to the condition of the input information to be transmitted. Information sent in this time-sharing mode is called time division multiplex (TDM).

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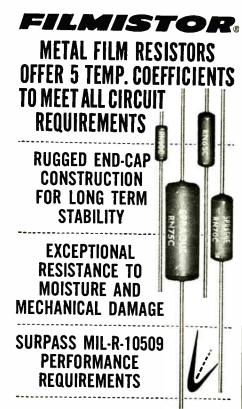
The information output of the decoder is the presence or absence of a voltage, corresponding to the information received from the coder. This voltage can be used to operate inductive loads, such as relays, or resistive loads, such as indicator lamps.



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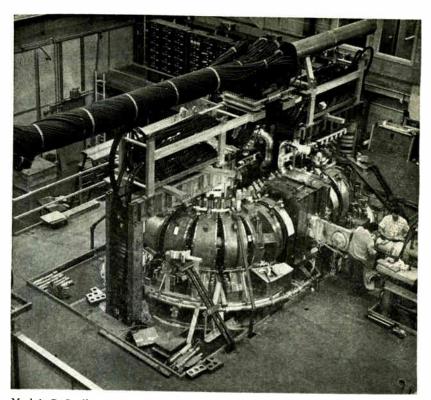
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Model C Stellarator, now in experimental operation at Princeton University's Plasma Physics Lab, was designed and built by Allis-Chalmers and RCA according to concepts developed by Princeton scientists under AEC's Project Sherwood

# REPORT PROGRESS IN FUSION RESEARCH

PRINCETON. N. J.—Princeton University scientists recently reported results of the first few months of experimental operation for the model C Stellarator—third generation version of one of the major approaches to controlled thermonuclear fusion research.

The \$35-million C Stellarator facility has been in preliminary operation since the Fall with ohmic heating, which is designed to raise the plasma temperature to approximately 1 million C (ELECTRONICS, p 50, Oct. 27, 1961 and p 29, Sept. 1, 1961).

It now seems established that, as was theorized, plasma containment time increases as the square of the discharge tube radius. Containment times of about 1 millisecond have been observed. This represents an order of magnitude increase over that for the typical B Stellarators.

Present work is concentrated on studying the energy losses that occur when the ohmic heating current is removed. Results so far indicate these losses, due largely to impurities, will have to be reduced before going to the magnetic pumping that would provide the heating from 1 million C to 100 million C.

Techniques being studied for reducing energy loss are low-level ohmic heating applied for several days, shielding the ceramic insulating sections and, most important, a divertor to magnetically separate the heavy-ion impurities. Scientists hope to install the divertor in six months; magnetic pumping may be tried next year.

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MODEL	RANGES	ACCURACY	STABILITY	POWER SENSITIVITY
149	13 overlapping in 1x. 3x steps, 0.1 $\mu$ v to 100 mv.	2% full scale on all ranges.	After warmup, within 0.01 μv per day.	Greater than 4 x 10·19 watt.
150A/150AR* Voltmeter	13 overlapping in 1x, 3x steps, 1 $\mu$ v to 1 v.	2% full scale on all ranges.	After warmup, within 0.1 $\mu$ v per day.	Greater than
Ammeter	15 overlapping in 1x, 3x steps, 10 <sup>,10</sup> to 10 <sup>,2</sup> amp.	3% full scale on all ranges.	After warmup, $\pm 2 \times 10^{-11}$ ampere per day.	4 x 10 <sup>-18</sup> watt.
151/151R- 151RC+	11 linear, 1x, 3x steps, 0.1 mv to 10 v; 5 non-linear, 0.001 to 10 v; three decades each.	Linear ±3% full scale. Non-linear ±10% of input.	After warmup, below 10 $\mu$ v per day.	10-17 watt.

\*Models for rack mounting

unting **†Rack-Contact meter model, same as standard unit except for addition of a contact meter relay.** 

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### MEETINGS AHEAD

COMPUTER CONFERENCE, Michigan State University; at the University, East Lansing, Michigan, May 7-8.

COMPONENTS CONFERENCE, IRE-PGCP, AIEE, EIA; Marriott Twin Bridges Hotel, Washington, D. C., May 8-10.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT MEETING, AIEE; Statler-Hilton Hotel, Boston, Mass., May 9-11.

BLOOD PRESSURE MEASUREMENT PROB-LEMS DISCUSSION, Institution of Elec-trical Engineers (British); Savoy Pl., London, May 11.

NATIONAL AEROSPACE ELECTRONICS CON-FERENCE, IRE-PGANE; Biltmore Hotel, Dayton, Ohio, May 14-16.

AERO-SPACE INSTRUMENTATION SYM-POSIUM, ISA; Marriott Motor Hotel, Washington, D. C., May 21-23.

ELECTRONICS PARTS DISTRIBUTORS SHOW, Electronic Industry Show Corp.; Con-rad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, May 21-24.

SELF-ORGANIZING INFORMATION SYS-TEMS CONFERENCE, Office of Naval Re-search and Armour Research Founda-tion; Museum of Science & Industry, Chicago, May 22-21.

MICROWAVE THEORY & TECHNIQUES NA-TIONAL SYMPOSIUM, IRE-PGMITT; Boulder, Colo., May 22-24.

POWER SOURCES CONFERENCE, U. S. Army Research and Development Lab-oratory; Shelbourne Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J., May 22-24.

TELEMETERING NATIONAL CONFERENCE, IRE-PGSET, AIEE, et al; Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, D. C., May 23-25.

NUCLEAR CONGRESS & EXHIBIT, Engi-neers Joint Council; Statler Hilton Hotel, New York City, June 4-7.

RADAR ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM, University of Michigan; at the University, Ann Arbor, Mich., June 6-8.

MOLECULAR BEAMS CONFERENCE, Brook-haven National Laboratory; at the Laboratory, Upton, N. Y., June 11-13.

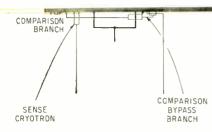
COMMUNICATIONS ARMED FORCES ELECTRONICS CONVENTION & SHOW; Sheraton Park and Shoreham Hotels, Washington, D. C., June 12-14.

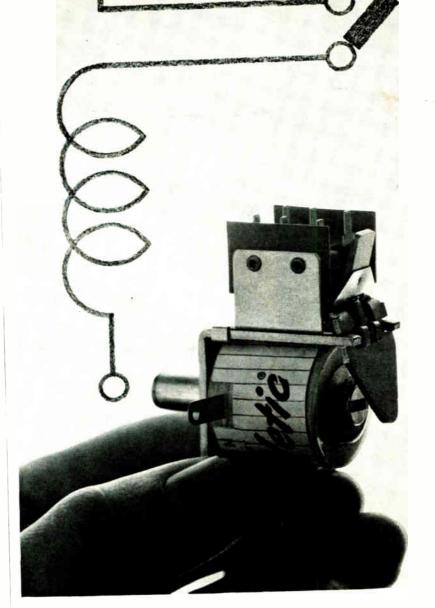
WESTERN ELECTRONICS SHOW AND CON-FERENCE, WEMA, IRE; Los Angeles, Calif., Aug. 21-24.

#### ADVANCE REPORT

ADVANCE REPORT SPACEBORNE COMPUTER ENGINEERING CON-FERENCE, IRE-POLEC: Disneyland Holel, Anaheim, Calif., Oct. 30-31, June 15 is the deadline for submitting 4 copies of a thousand-word summary to: Dr. R. A. Endlich, Chairman, Program Committee, AC Spark Plug Division, Geneval Motors Ca.p., 950 North Sepulveda Banlenard, El Segundo, Calif. Papers will be con-ecrned with all engineering aspects of computers and digital information proc-essing systems for missile and space sustems. Necessary clearances should be obtained before submitting sum-maries. marics.

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The Heinemann Type B Time Delay Relay can double as its own load relay. It's got a continuous duty coil. Once actuated, it can remain locked-in indefinitely. This, combined with DPDT snap-action switching at up to 5 amps, can obviate the need for a separate slave relay in many applications.

Yours might be one of them. Here's a quick rundown of the Type B's specs:

Standard Timings: 1/4, 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 15, 20, 30, 45, 60, 90, 120 seconds.

**Contact Capacity:** 5 amperes at 125V or 250V AC; 5 amperes at 30V DC, resistive; 3 amperes at 30V DC, inductive.

Coil Voltages: 60 cycles AC: 6, 12, 24, 48, 110, 115, 120, 208, 220, 230, 240 volts; DC: 4, 6, 12, 24, 28, 48, 64, 110, 120 volts. (Others available.)

For more detailed specifications on the Type B (and on all the other time-delay relays in the Heinemann line), write for Bulletin 5005.



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#### CIRCLE 29 ON READER SERVICE CARD 29

a 0 is applied to a cell in which a 0 is stored, the applied and stored currents will add in the right leg and cancel in the left leg. A 1 applied and a 0 stored or a 0 applied and a 1 stored will add in the left leg and cancel in the right leg. Thus a match between applied and stored information is indicated by a current I in the right leg and a mismatch by a current *I* in the left leg. Figure 2 shows how a match or mismatch is sensed by the match cryotron in the top branch of the comparison line. If a comparison is made on all bits in a word, the top comparison branch will be superconducting only for an exact match.

ing only if all interrogated bits in a word match the corresponding bits of the applied word.

The comparison branches in each bit position of the selected word are also used for readout. This requires, if more than one match exists, the switching of current from the top comparison branches of all nonselected words. To read out stored information, a 0 digit current I is applied upwards. This current divides, sending I/2 upward into each leg. These currents combine with the stored circulating current of I/2. If a 0 has been stored the result will be a current I upwards in the right leg and no current in the left leg. If a 1 has been stored the result will be a current I upwards in the left

#### FIG, 2-Memory and comparison cell using thin-film cryotrons

I is applied to the digit line in a downward direction. Simultaneously, a write-line current is applied driving the write cryotron resistive and forcing the digit current to the right leg. The write current is then removed, followed by the digit current. Since the legs have equal inductance, this leaves a

It is usually desirable to match with only a few of the bits in the

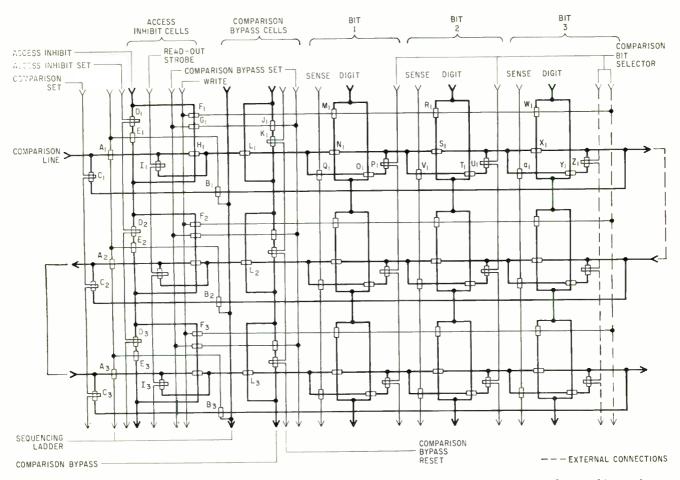


FIG. 3-Experimental data-addressed memory. Using 81 cryotrons, the memory can store 3 words of 3 bits each

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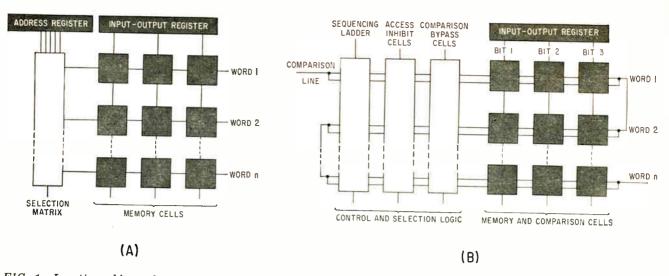


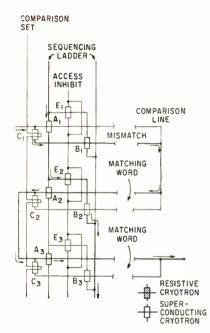
FIG. 1-Location-addressed memory system, (A); data-addressed memory system (DAM), (B)

ister nor a selection matrix is required.

Where the contents of the entire memory must be compared with a specific item, a DAM system has a considerable speed advantage over a location-addressed system, except in certain search problems where list programming can be used.<sup>2</sup> DAM-type applications occur in pattern recognition, inventory control and document retrieval. In all such problems the DAM can compare the contents of all its locations simultaneously with the input information, whereas the conventional memory must search through all or part of its locations in sequence.

The large number of components with nondestructive read-out facilities required for each location of a DAM suggests the use of thinfilm cryotrons.3 Similar systems have been proposed<sup>4,5,6</sup> under the name associative memory. Experimental data-addressed cryotron memories that can deal only with a single matching location for any category have also been described.". 8 A model of a magnetic data addressed memory using a modification of the domain wall viscosity effect for nondestructive read-out has been described.<sup>10, 11</sup>

The cryogenic data-addressed memory is shown in Fig. 2. It was



work is stable, positive-feedback circuits analogous to flip-flops need not be used.

The functions of a DAM can be described in a specific problem; a good illustration is cataloging books in a library. Each memory word location might contain the title, author's name, subject and shelf location of a book. Each category of information would be restricted to a specific portion of the word. If the book is to be listed under several subjects, it would be entered in several locations.

To find information, the title is entered into the input-output register of Fig. 1B. The system is switched into its comparison mode, in which the title position of the input-output register is simultaneously compared with the corresponding position of every storage Wherever a matching location. location is found (that is, wherever the title stored in a location matches that in the input-output register), a current is switched into the upper branch of the comparison line connected with that location (See Fig. 3).

In many cases the contents of several locations will match, so that several links of the comparison line will have been set. To deal with this problem, sequencing circuits inhibit access to the several seve output register. Alternatively, the system can be switched to its write mode; new information is written on top of the information in the selected location. A word is erased by rewriting it as zeros. The control logic insures that access to the selected location is not lost even if its information content is changed.

When the nearest matching location has been dealt with, and before looking for the next nearest one, persistent current is induced in the comparison bypass cell attached to the first selected location. This bypasses the location during subsequent matching cycles. Without changing the contents of the inputoutput register, another comparison cycle takes place, allowing access to the next nearest matching location, and the cycle is repeated. When no further matching location exists a signal is produced by the control logic. The comparison and bypass cells of all the previously selected locations can now be reset simultaneously, thus releasing the system for interrogation with a new title.

If new information is to be entered into the memory the system is first interrogated with a title consisting of zeros; this automatically provides access to the first

the first match, the control rungs will be blocked by a current in the bottom comparison branch. For instance, Fig. 4 shows croytron B1driven resistive for a mismatch in word 1. Cryotron A1 remains superconducting, allowing current to flow from the top of the ladder down to word No. 2. Here, where the first match occurs, the rung will be superconducting (cryotron B2) and the left rail resistive. The current will deflect from the left rail to the right rail through the superconducting rung, identifying the first matching word. Since this current is now in the right rail, it

parison branch. Only in the first selected word will the comparison current remain in the top comparison branch. This enables the comparison line to be used for read-out.

The comparison bypass cells eliminate a matching word from further consideration after operations on it have been completed. This is done by storing a current in the associated comparison bypass cell, thus making cryotron Lin the top comparison branch resistive. A current is stored in the cell by applying overlapping and sequential pulses to the comparison bypass set lines and the comparison bypass lines. The access inhibit cells ensure that the comparison bypass set current is routed to the comparison bypass cell in the selected word only. Once a circulating current has been stored in this cell. blocking a match for the previously selected word, the system can be returned to the comparison mode to search for the next matching word. After all matching words have been processed the comparison bypass reset current is applied, quenching circulating currents in all comparison bypass cells simultaneously.

FIG. 4—Detailed schematic of the sequencing ladder, showing an example with two matches and one mismatch

leg and no current in the right leg. Thus a stored 0 will switch the "mismatch" cryotron resistive, forcing the comparison current through the comparison branch in that bit, leaving the sense cryotron superconducting. A stored 1 will switch the match cryotron resistive, forcing the comparison current through the comparison bypass branch, switching the sense cryotron resistive. Consequently, when a current is applied to the sense line a voltage will be read there for a 1 but not for a 0.

The selection and control logic finds the first matching location that falls into the category searched, so that read and write operations can be performed on that word only, and after that word has been processed, to bypass it during subsequent comparisons. These operations are performed by the sequencing ladder, the access inhibitor cells and the comparison bypass cells.

The sequencing ladder shown in Fig. 4 selects the word of the class being searched that is stored in the most accessible location. The ladder is controlled by the comparison branches from each memory location. In a matching word, current flows in the top branch; in a mismatched location it flows in the bottom branch. In all words before cannot reach matching words further down the ladder.

A match is indicated externally if no voltage appears across the rails of the ladder. If no match exsists, all the rungs will be resistive and a voltage will be sensed across the ladder.

The access inhibit cells, shown in Fig. 3, inhibit access to all words except the selected one, by storing a circulating current. This current is first stored in all these loops simultaneously by applying sequential and overlapping current pulses to the access inhibit set line and the access inhibit line. In the selected word, this circulating current will be quenched by current in the control rung of the ladder; this allows write and comparison bypass set currents to operate on the selected word. It also enables comparisons other than the selected one to be overridden. By applying a read-out strobe pulse, comparison currents in all unselected words will be diverted to the lower com-

The modes of operation are discussed with reference to Fig. 3.

1. Comparison—the contents of all words in the memory can be compared simultaneously. This comparison can be made on any or all bits of the word. Any bits that are not pertinent can be masked out.

On those bits that are to be compared, a digit current corresponding to 1 or 0 and a comparison bit

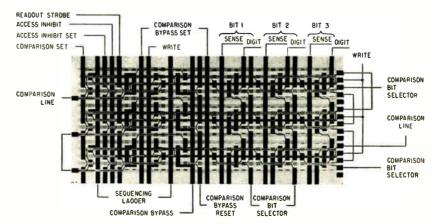


FIG. 5—Experimental memory plane. The circuit is deposited in five layers ranging from 3,000 to 10,000 angstroms in thickness. Plane measures 3 by 6 by 0.05 inch

select current are applied. On those bits that are to be masked from the comparison, only the digit current corresponding to a 0 is applied.

Next, the comparison set line is pulsed. In those words where a match exists, the comparison current (which is always kept on) is forced to the top comparison branch. This switches the sequencing ladder current (which is maintained throughout the comparison cycle) through the rung of the first matching word; it is blocked from the rungs of all nonmatching words.

Overlapping and sequential access inhibit and access inhibit set pulses are next applied, storing a current in all access inhibit cells. This current will be quenched in the first matching word by the current in the rung of the sequencing ladder.

Access to all but the first matching word is inhibited by currents now stored in the access inhibit cells. Therefore read, write and comparison bypass operations will act only on the first matching word.

Sequential access to all locations in the memory irrespective of their content can be obtained by comparing with all the input-output register bits masked. This is required when the memory is to be filled with zeros before starting operations.

2. The read operation must always be preceded by a comparison operation.

The top branch of the comparison line is used for reading. In all matching words, the comparison current has been diverted to this branch. By pulsing the read-out strobe the comparison current will be switched to the lower comparison branch in all except the first matching word, because this is the only word that does not have current stored in its access inhibit cell. Thus the comparison current can be maintained through cryotron *I*, only in the first matching word.

All masked bits have 0 digit and sense currents applied. A stored 1 in the selected location will then be indicated by a voltage on the sense line of that bit. The unmasked bits need not be read out since they are already known.

3. The write operation must also be preceded by a comparison opera-

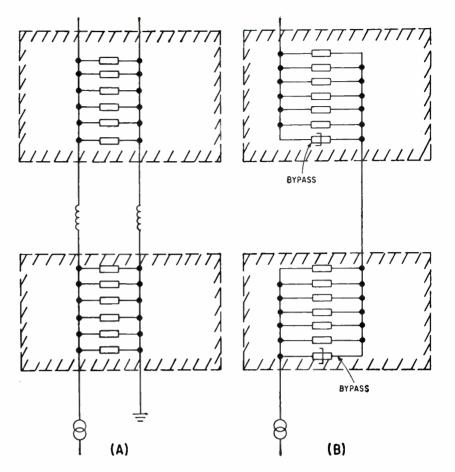


FIG. 6—Ladder circuit, (A), poses interconnection problems between substrates. This is overcome by modification (B)

Sub- strate	Temperature in °K			Nomi- nal CFC	Switch Sense		Time Const. in		Remarks
#	Te	Oper- ating T	ΔT	Gate Resist- ance	CFC	CFC	Micr Meas.	rosec. Calc.	
12/5/61	3.714	3.635	0.079	280					Manual switching of comparison func- tion
12/6/61	3.710	3.630	0.090	300					All memory func- tions demonstrated
1/3/62	3.831	3.752	0.079	700	[] [] [] [] []	A3 	5.0	5.4	H <sub>3</sub> held resistive. Comparison loop time constants
1/12/62	3.807	3.711	0.066	700		<u>A3</u>	2.0	1.8	All memory func- tions demonstrated
1/10/62	3.707	3.621	0.086	250	D3	F3	1.0	1.5	Access inhibit time constant
					L1, L2	F3	5.0		Reaction time of comparison loop and sequencing ladder

#### TABLE I-TEST RESULTS

tion. To write in the first empty register a match is made with all 0's.

Digit currents, corresponding to the word to be written, are applied. followed by a write pulse. Digit currents are required even for masked bits. Therefore it will be necessary to read out the masked bits and rewrite them.

4. Comparison bypass-This operation is used to exclude the first matching word from further consideration. A current is stored in the comparison bypass cell of the first matching word by applying overlapping and sequential comparison bypass and comparison bypass set currents. When all matching words have been bypassed, an attempt to match will result in a voltage across the sequencing ladder. The comparison bypass currents are then erased by applying a comparison bypass reset.

Several data-addressed memory plates have been tested in all modes of operation. An arbitrary pattern was stored and various comparisons were made; read, write and comparison bypass operations were also performed by manually switching d-c currents of 200 ma,

Time - constant measurements made on several loops using single 200-ma pulses agreed with time constants calculated from the geometry. The method used' was to store a current in a loop. This current was quenched by switching a cryotron in the loop (the switch cryotron in Table I), resistive for an interval less than the calculated time constant. The current remaining in the loop was monitored by measuring the critical gate current of a sense cryotron controlled by this current. This method was used to measure:

(1) The time constant for transfer of a current from the lower to the upper branch of the comparison loop when pulsing the comparison set.

(2) The time constant for transfer of a current from the upper to the lower branch of the comparison loop when pulsing the read-out strobe with a persistent current in the access inhibit cell. This differs from the previous time constant because there is a low-inductance resistive path in parallel with cryotron I.

The (3)time constant for

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#### CRYOTRON DIMENSIONS

Layer	in	Thickness in Microns
Pb Shield.		1.0
SiO Insulation		0.8
Sn Gates		0.3
SiO Insulation		0.8
$Pb \left\{ \begin{array}{l} Active \ controls \\ Inactive \ control \end{array} \right.$	55	0.1
TD   Inactive control	s = 330	1.0

quenching a circulating current in the access inhibit cell.

(4) The time required to invalidate a match in words 1 and 2 and to transfer the sequencing ladder current from word 1 to word 3. This was measured by observing the quenching of a circulating current in the access inhibit loop of word 3.

Typical results are shown in Table I. The switch and sense cryotron identifications refer to Fig. 3. Nominal dimensions are shown in Table II

Since the substrate area was larger than usual, and since the logic design had never been previously tested, the crossed-film crvotrons used were made large, and a low-density layout used. By reducing cryotron dimensions (operating at lower temperature to maintain gain), and by using a denser layout, sixteen 21-bit words could be accommodated on the present substrate; 1,000 such substrates. interconnected and contained in a 1-cubic foot cryostat, would constitute a useful memory.

Since substrate-to-substrate interconnections have much higher inductance than those on the substrates, the interconnections should not be included in loops driven by cryotrons. Several ladder circuits such as the comparison bypass set circuit do not satisfy this criterion but can be modified so that they do. A ladder circuit is shown in Fig. 6A. The interconnection inductance will limit the operating speed of such a circuit; this can be overcome by the modification shown in Fig. 6B, at the cost of an extra bypass line on each plate. By using this bypass line, current can be directed through any or none of the other lines on each plate. The interconnection inductance is not included

in a cryotron loop and no longer affects the circuit operating speed. This technique also minimizes the effect of sneak currents.º In this circuit the comparison bypass set current will initially divide equally between all lines on one substrate: thus, there must be enough lines on one plate to limit this current to a safe value or the current risetime must be limited to prevent partial switching in unselected words.

A more complex circuit, in which the top rung of the ladder on one plate controls the bottom rung of that on the next plate, is required for the sequencing ladder because this is the data transmission channel between plates. The time delay in this circuit can probably be reduced to about 50 nanoseconds by using a low-inductance interconnection between the plates together with some extra cryotron amplifiers. This time delay will probably be the factor limiting over-all system speed, since in the comparison cycle a signal may have to be propagated through every substrate.

The experiment shows that operating crossed-film cryotron circuits can be obtained on 6- by 3-inch substrates.

Estimates indicate the feasibility of a 300,000-bit memory with a 50-microsecond comparison cycle time. Such a system should be valuable since it is compatible with room-temperature data processors.

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# Inexpensive Multiplier for Analog Computers

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THIS MULTIPLIER makes use of pulse-width pulse-amplitude modulation to form the product of two input voltages. Referring to Fig. 1A. the multiplier unit comprises a pulse-width modulator and a pushpull rectangular pulse generator driving a diode-bridge switch. Input variable Y is sampled whenever the switch is closed by the pulse generator output. Duration of the sample pulse is controlled by the amplitude of input variable X. The average voltage of the sample pulse is V = KXY + LY; the undesired term LY is subtracted from this signal to provide a demodulated voltage proportional to the product of the two input variables (KXY).

The input circuit of the pulsewidth modulator, which comprises  $D_1$  and  $V_1$ , is supplied by a negativeslope sawtooth and by input variable X. Tube  $V_1$  conducts before  $D_1$ conducts so that initially the plate voltage of  $V_1$  is low. Diode  $D_1$  conducts whenever the negative-going sawtooth voltage is equal to or less than input variable X; the grid of  $V_1$  is then driven into the cut-off region causing the plate voltage to rise toward the supply voltage. When the sawtooth voltage returns to the maximum positive value  $V_1$ again conducts and the plate returns to the low-voltage state. The result is a sequence of approximately rectangular pulses whose width depends upon the amplitude of X. The push-pull pulses required to drive the diode-bridge switch are produced by  $V_{s}$  and  $T_{i}$ . Since the maximum amplitude of the current pulse supplied to  $T_1$  is constant, the height of the pulse supplied by  $T_1$ is a function of the pulse width. This limitation controls the permissable ranges of variables X and Y, which must be within the range of -10 v to +10 v.

The alignment procedure requires only two independent adjustments.

In Fig. 2A, which shows the subtractor unit, ground X, apply maximum Y input and adjust  $R_1$  to obtain zero output for the KXYsignal. Then apply maximum X and Y inputs and adjust  $R_2$  to obtain the desired K.

Connecting the multiplier in the feedback path of a high-gain amplifier (Fig. 2B) permits division of one input variable by another.

Static accuracy of the unit is affected by the rise and fall times of the pulse output from the switch and the linearity of the driving saw-

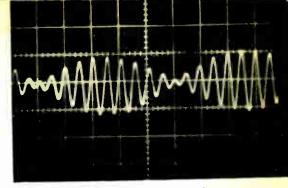


FIG. 3—Typical product obtained after filtering

tooth. An accuracy of about three percent of full-scale output has been obtained when using a simple Miller-integrator sawtooth generator.

Dynamic response is largely dependent upon the filter that demodulates the signal from the multiplier. Figure 3 shows the wave-form of a 100-cps carrier modulated (multiplied) by a 5-cps signal.

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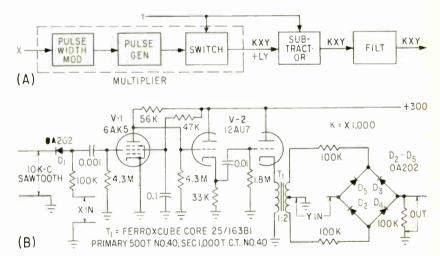


FIG. 1—Multiplier (A) forms products and subtractor removes LY terms. Multiplier schematic (B)

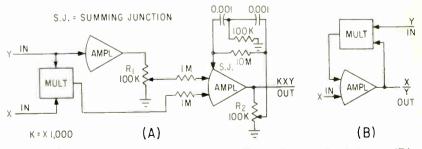
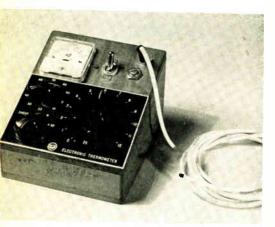


FIG. 2—Eliminating the LY term of the multiplier (A). Diagram in (B) shows how to hook up the multiplier unit in a division setup

# Measuring Temperature





Thermometer with measuring transistor at end of 1-in. plastic tube, top photo. Diode thermometer calibrated in degrees Kelvin, lower photo, (See Fig. 4) Variation of transistor characteristics with temperature is linear over a wide temperature range, permits a meter controlled by the transistor to be calibrated directly in degrees. The same principle is used with diodes

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IT HAS long been regarded as a drawback that transistors are temperature sensitive in their normal use; however, this adverse temperature instability can be used to advantage in the transistor electronic thermometer.

To maintain constant collector current, the base bias must be increased as the temperature decreases, and conversely. The relationship between base bias and temperature is linear over a wide range of temperatures and if the base bias for a constant collector current is calibrated in degrees, it becomes a temperature scale. For a typical germanium transistor (2N105), variation in bias is about 0.0014 volt d-c per deg F. The transistor thermometer can accurately measure the small base voltage increments corresponding to temperature changes for calibration

into degrees of temperature.

A highly sensitive and accurate transistor thermometer is shown in Fig. 1A. This circuit is arranged for household and outdoor thermometer use. The temperature sensing element is a 2N105 transistor mounted in the end of a small diameter plastic tube through which the three transistor leads are connected to the control box.

Referring to Fig. 1A, switch  $S_s$  applies power and variable resistor  $R_1$  is adjusted for full-scale meter reading of 7 volts d-c. Circuit constants will change for other values of voltage.

A bias voltage in steps representing deg F is provided for the d-c input to the transistor; bias voltage increments to maintain a given collector voltage are about 0.0014 volt per deg F. The potential divider includes  $R_s$  and  $R_s$  while the other resistor elements to ground are arranged in units of 3.33 ohms for 0.0014 volt steps.

Potentiometer  $R_s$  is calibrated for scale degree points at each 3.33

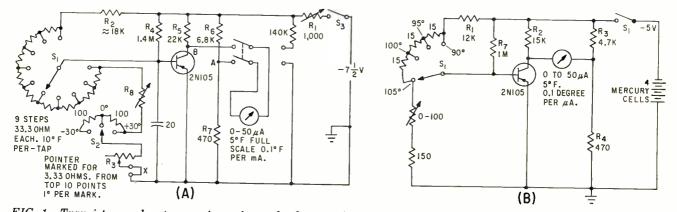


FIG. 1—Transistor probes temperatures in confined space (A); simplified circuit measures narrow range of temperatures in body-temperature region (B)

## With Diodes and Transistors

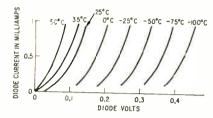


FIG. 2—Characteristic of 1N2326 diode (above) shows that voltage across the diode for a given current is proportional to temperature

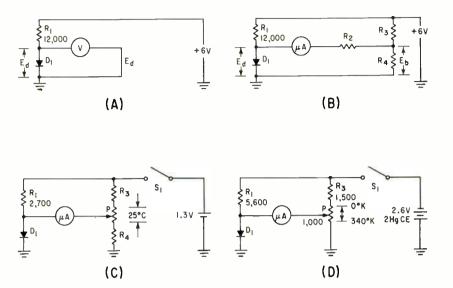
FIG. 3—Diode circuit gives direct wide range reading (A). Modified circuit (B) gives direct reading over limited range. Circuit (C) has limited range but temperature is derived from null on meter. Wide-range circuit (D)also operates through meter null

ohms, for at least 10 points. The complete range of  $R_s$  is then 10 units of 1 degree for a total of 10 degrees. The 3.33 ohms per degree was chosen for convenience and because the input resistance to the base is low (1,000 to 2,000 ohms).

Switch  $S_1$  provides 9 steps of 33.3 ohms for 10 degree steps and with the 10 degrees of  $R_3$  gives a range of 100 deg F.

The range may be extended with switch  $S_2$ . Normal range is obtained with the switch at the 0-degree point. When  $S_2$  is at +30, maximum temperature reading is 130 deg F; with  $S_2$  at -30, minimum temperature is -30 deg F. Approximately 5 microamperes base current is supplied through  $R_4$  permitting more accurate increments of base voltage with equal steps of resistors.

Collector resistor  $R_s$  is selected so that a collector voltage of about 0.5 v is obtained when the transistor temperature corresponds with the temperature setting of the base input controls. A 0.5-potential at point A to equal the 0.5 volt collector potential is obtained with divider  $R_{\bullet}$  and  $R_{\tau}$ . The 0-50 microampere meter reads zero when points A and B are at the same voltage. If the temperature of the transistor changes, the base biasing



decades and  $R_s$  are adjusted for zero reading of the meter. The reading of base bias then gives the temperature of the transistor probe and the indication of bias is calibrated to read temperature.

Transistor temperature response can be made to fit calibration by adjusting  $R_s$  with a possible slight change in  $R_2$ .

Tests made with dry ice and liquid nitrogen indicated linearity of base voltage versus temperature. To operate in this low temperature range, it is necessary to modify the circuit by inserting a resistance at terminals X. For a given  $R_2$  the resistance necessary at X to produce a zero reading of the microammeter may be plotted against temperature to about 20 deg K. The voltage across X may not be linear because  $R_2$  is not changed, therefore the curve of temperature versus resistance X may not be linear. The collector voltage should always be at least 0.5 volt higher than the base voltage.

A zero reading of the microammeter indicates no voltage differential between points A and B. However, if the meter is allowed to indicate a differential of voltage, then a meter resistance can be found to indicate full-scale deflection for 5 deg F. Each microampere would then represent 0.1 deg F. This sensitivity may be had at any selected temperature over the entire range of the thermometer which is from about 130 degree F. to near absolute zero. If silicon transistors are used, this can probably be extended to more than 300 deg F.

A high sensitivity thermometer for body-temperature ranges may be simplified as shown in Fig. 1B. The basic circuit is the same as for Fig. 1 except the temperature range is limited and no provision is made to check battery voltage.

The diode thermometer uses simpler circuits and fewer parts than the transistor thermometer, but with reduced sensitivity of about 0.5 to 1.0 deg F.

The voltage versus current characteristic curves of a representative germanium diode, 1N2326, are shown in Fig. 2.

This set of characteristic curves indicates that the voltage across the diode for a given current is proportional to temperature. The curves also indicate the upper tem-

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perature limit for linearity. In Fig. 2 at about 35 deg C, a curve of the same shape as for lower temperatures passes through zero current at zero volts. Therefore, at higher temperatures the diode current curve becomes steeper and a deviation from diode volts versus temperature linearity begins. The linear range of temperature indication for a germanium diode with a forward current of about 0.5 ma, was found to be about 45 deg C to about -250 deg C. At low diode currents, linearity extended to about 35 deg C.

For a given current, voltage across the diode is a linear function of temperature from near absolute zero to some higher temperature value. The limit of high temperature is a function of the bandgap voltage of the semiconductor material.

Many circuits may be used to measure the voltage across the diode. The voltage per degree C is about 0.002 volt for germanium, varying with circuit constants, diode current and base material.

Because of the low source impedance of the diode-derived voltage at about 0.5 ma (approximately 90 ohms), a 50-microampere meter may be used to measure voltage. Such meters have resistances of about 800 to 2,000 ohms, and may be used to measure voltage directly.

Figure 3 shows different arrangements for specific diode thermometer applications.

The simplest circuit is Fig. 3A

in which  $R_1$  limits the diode current to about 0.5 ma. As the temperature decreases the voltage across the diode increases. The temperature of the diode then may be calibrated in voltmeter reading of  $E_d$ . Temperatures of any range may be measured with this circuit from near absolute zero to the upper limit of the diode base material.

Figure 3B operates over limited ranges of temperature that may be selected between any two values. Full range of a 50-microampere meter may be as low as 25 deg C. The function of  $R_1$  is the same as in Fig. 3A except the indicating means is built into the thermometer. Resistance  $R_2$  in series with the meter determines the range of temperature for full scale. Potential dividers  $R_2$  and  $R_4$  select the part of the temperature spectrum to be measured.

The values of  $R_4$  and  $R_8$  can be switched to make the meter a decade device reading temperature in steps of 25 deg C plus the meter reading. This decade arrangement may extend from about 20 deg K to 40 deg C with no correction for deviation from a straight line, or operate down to about 2.5 deg K with calibration.

The circuit of Fig. 3C is a modification of Fig. 3B. This circuit derives a limited range bucking voltage across the potentiometer while the microampere device is used as a null indicator. When the potentiometer is adjusted so that the voltage at the arm is the same as

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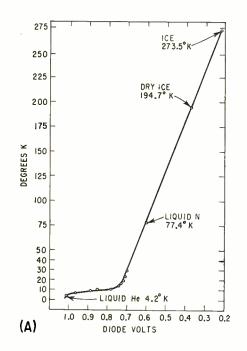
the diode voltage, the position of the potentiometer arm indicates volts and may be calibrated in temperature. The temperature range of this circuit is limited by the resistance of the potentiometer,  $R_{s}$ and  $R_{4*}$ . Again, a range of about 25 deg C. may be selected at any temperature from near absolute to about 40 deg C.

The range of the potentiometer may also be increased as shown in Fig. 3D to the full range of near absolute zero to about 45 deg C.

The curve in Fig. 4A is the complete curve from liquid helium, 4.2 deg K., to ice at 273.5 deg K. The linearity is nearly perfect from about 20 deg K.

The lower end of Fig. 4A curve is expanded in Fig. 4B. This curve indicates the unexpected temperature response of the 2N105 connected as a diode over the region of about 13 deg K to about 5 deg K. The curve in this region is linear with a sensitivity much greater than expected, (about 0.02 deg C reading accuracy).

Below 5 deg K, the curve turns down through three points of calibration at liquid helium at atmospheric pressure (4.2 deg K) and 3.2 deg K and 2.5 deg K at reduced liquid helium pressure. It is expected that if other temperatures below 2.5 deg K were available the temperature indication would fall on the dotted line to absolute zero. If this assumption is true, a thermometer is on hand to measure temperature to absolute zero.



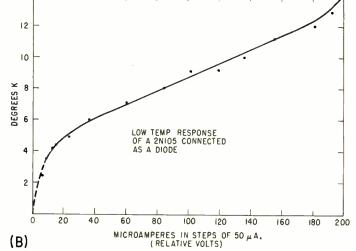


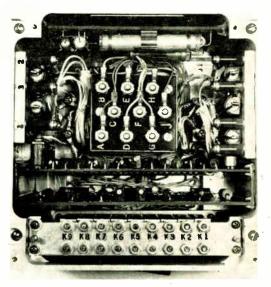
FIG. 4—Response of 2N105 transistor connected as a diode is linear down to 20 deg K (A). Expanded portion of characteristics shows increased sensitivity below 20 K (B)



Author Beebe demonstrates the reference supply. Unit is in an aluminum case

Supply is switched by internal relays to deliver voltages between minus 63.5 and plus 63.5 volts. Binary arrangement of relays switch in half-volt steps. Output is stable for 1,000 hours without readjustment

## Reference Supply Delivers Half-Volt Increments



Careful packaging avoids mutual interference between components, permits small unit size

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THIS POWER SUPPLY was developed to meet military specifications and is used in automatic test equipment as a stable source of reference voltage. Regulation is 0.05 percent for a 5-percent change in input voltage, while ripple and noise are less than 40 millivolts peak-to-peak. The unit will sustain 50 g shock during a 7-millisecond rise time, while the whole package is about the size of a cookie jar. The power supply is of modular construction, using separate assemblies for power transformer, relays, diodes, voltage divider and control board. Additionally, there are two assemblies for shunt regulating transistors and two for shunt resistors.

The supply is in an aluminum enclosure consisting of a chassis and a cover plate, with a single connector on the rear of the chassis. The three required adjustments are accessible by removing the front cover plate.

The unit contains two independent solid-state d-c power supplies: a fixed-voltage channel delivering 20 volts, and a stepped-voltage channel delivering from 20 volts to 83.5 volts in 0.5-volt increments. See Fig. 1. The voltages from these two channels are subtracted to provide a variable 0 to 63.5-volt final output, which is switched by the relays to deliver negative voltages.

Eight 12-volt command signals can be combined in a binary manner to provide any output desired. As an example, simultaneous application of commands 3, 5, 7 and 8 will provide an output of -10.5volts.

The 115-volt three-phase 400-

cycle input power is applied to a three-phase transformer, whose six secondary windings supply a-c to two sets of bridge rectifiers. The d-c output from the rectifiers is filtered and applied across a shunt regulator to the output. Line and load fluctuations are sensed by a temperature stabilized, differential amplifier having a zener reference. The output of the differential amplifier is fed through two stages of amplification to control the shunt regulator.

Each channel is regulated by an individual shunt transistor, while high-gain differential amplifiers provide sensing and control for each of the two channels. The two differential amplifiers, however, use the same zener diode for a reference. Because the final output of the unit is the difference between the two channels, compensations are automatic for input voltage variations, temperature changes and zener reference drift. Subtractive outputs eliminate the problem of low-voltage sensing and regulation (0.5 volt, 1.0 volt, 1.5 volts). Sensing and regulation below the 20 volt level is not required.

In the differential amplifier that controls the 20-volt channel, a fixed resistor bridge is used opposite the zener reference for sensing. The differential amplifier that controls the variable channel also uses a resistor bridge for sensing. However, this bridge, is made up of seven precision (0.01 percent) resistors with a small trimpot and a 1-percent resistor at each end.

The seven precision resistors are bridged by the normally closed contacts of the command relays, and are removed from the sensing circuit. As a command is applied, the relay contacts are opened, throwing an additional precision resistor into the sensing bridge, and changing the output of the variable channel. A combination of commands will throw a combination of precision resistors into the sensing bridge, raising the output of the variable supply to 20 volts above the desired output. The output of the 20-volt channel is then subtracted from the output of the variable channel to provide the output of the unit.

The a-c input to power diodes  $D_7$ through  $D_{12}$  is 13 volts rms per phase (Fig. 2). The filter components are  $C_2$ ,  $C_4$  and  $R_{48}$ . Zener diode  $D_{10}$  provides a reference to the high gain differential amplifier ( $Q_7$ and  $Q_8$ ), maintaining a precise 6.2 volts at the base of  $Q_8$ . The base circuit of  $Q_7$  contains the fixed resistor bridge,  $R_{16}$  and  $R_{12}$ , as well as

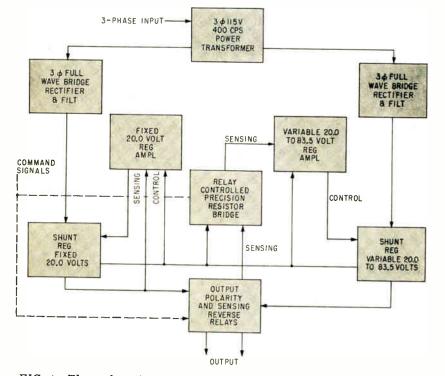


FIG. 1-Three-phase input at 400 cycles minimizes filtering requirements

the trimmer potentiometer  $R_{\infty}$ . Regulation of the voltage level of the 20-volt power supply is controlled by the differential amplifier. Potentiometer  $R_{25}$  is provided for minor adjustment of this power supply. The output of the differential amplifier is amplified by high-gain stages  $Q_5$  and  $Q_4$ , and is applied to the base of shunt regulator transistor  $Q_2$ . Emitters of amplifiers  $Q_5$  and  $Q_4$  are clamped by zener diodes  $D_{15}$  and  $D_{14}$  at 9 volts and 15 volts respectively. Transistor  $Q_2$  then regulates the channel output voltage by varying the current through shunt resistor,  $R_{**}$ . Short-circuit or overload protection is inherent in the system.

The a-c input to rectifiers  $D_1$ through  $D_{6}$ , is 46 volts rms per phase. Capacitors  $C_1$ ,  $C_3$  and resistor  $R_{35}$  are the filter elements. Resistors  $R_{s2}$ ,  $R_{ss}$  and  $R_{s5}$  may be filter elements depending on the position of the command relays. Zener diode  $D_{16}$  also provides the reference to the second high-gain differential amplifier  $(Q_{12} \text{ and } Q_{13})$ . The zener maintains a precise 6.2 volts at the base of  $Q_{10}$ . The base circuit of  $Q_{12}$  contains the relaycontrolled precision resistor bridge. This bridge uses precision resistors  $R_1$  through  $R_9$ . Resistors  $R_2$  through  $R_{*}$  are the seven 0.01-percent wirewound resistors that are switched in or out of the circuit by relays  $K_1$  through  $K_7$ .

Output of the differential amplifier is amplified by high gain stages  $Q_{10}$  and  $Q_0$ , and is then applied to the base of shunt regulator transistor  $Q_1$ . As in the low-voltage channel, the emitters of amplifiers  $Q_0$  and  $Q_{10}$  are clamped by a zener diode. Transistor  $Q_1$  then regulates the channel output voltage by varying the current drawn through shunt resistor  $R_{ss}$ .

Because it is impossible for  $Q_1$ to operate throughout the range of current levels that would be required to vary the output voltage a full 63.5 volts, shunt resistor  $R_{ss}$ must be varied to keep  $Q_1$  within its operating range. Resistors  $R_{ss}$ ,  $R_{ss}$  and  $R_{s4}$  are switched into the circuit, in parallel with shunt resistor  $R_{ss}$ , by commands to relays  $K_1$ ,  $K_2$ , and  $K_3$  respectively.

Relay  $K_s$  reverses the polarity of the output, and operates on a polar-

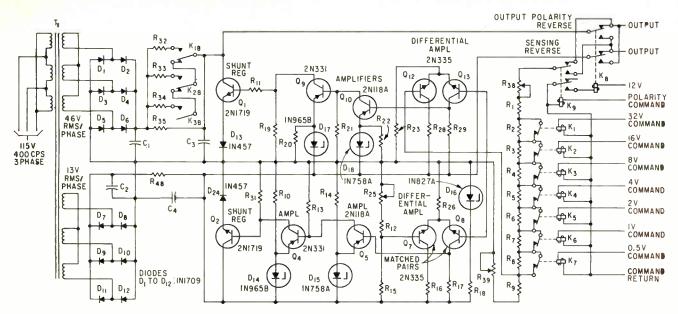


FIG. 2-Separate d-c sources are subtracted to give reference outputs. One source has fixed voltage, the other variable

ity-reverse command signal. To maintain optimum regulation in the unit, it is important that the output sensing leads be taken at the output connector, so that all of the internal connector and line resistances in the power supply could be compensated. It would be even more desirable to sense the output at the actual load. Relay  $K_{\bullet}$  reverses the sensing leads at the output connector as the polarity of the output is reversed. Relays  $K_*$ and  $K_{\bullet}$  are not connected in parallel because the unit was designed for command operation directly from digital logic of an automatic test set, and it was desirable that no command input requirements exceed 100 ma.

The ability of this power supply to maintain long-term stability and drift-free operation over a temperature excursion is based on a stable reference voltage and stable drift-free amplifiers.

Manufacturing techniques have provided stable silicon zener reference diodes having a standard deviation neighboring 4 ppm' measured over a 16-week period. These silicon reference diodes also exhibit a minimal temperature coefficient if the zener bias current is adjusted and maintained. The current level of  $D_{10}$ , which is the basic reference for this supply, was adjusted to operate at this point.

One way of minimizing d-c amplifier drift is by using a chopperstabilized amplifier; however, size, weight, noise and reliability (if mechanical choppers are used) are serious considerations in the use of this method. This method of drift regulation was discarded.

Use of two separate power supplies, one output being subtracted from the other, minimizes amplifier drift due to ambient temperature changes. Advances in transistor technology have provided transistors with stable characteristics that do not exhibit appreciable change over long periods. The design of a low-drift nonchopper stabilized amplifier is largely based upon stable zener reference diodes and transistors, however, to maintain low drift, several other requirements must be met.

The drift due to ambient temperature changes must, in addition to being small, be in the same direction for both amplifiers. Both amplifiers must be referenced against the same silicon reference diode. High-quality low-temperature-coefficient resistors must be used throughout, and especially in all the high-gain amplifier stages. The effect of  $I_{co}$  changes must be minimized by the use of silicon transistors in the first amplifier stages.

Drift direction can be determined by allowing the major drift to be contributed by the second stage amplifier.

Higher gain could have been real-

ized from the first and second amplifier stages by use of an emitter follower between the differential amplifier and the first voltage amplifier, or by using a double differential amplifier system, but then only at the cost of an added transistor. In addition, use of an emitter follower doubles the influence of  $dV_{bs}/dT$  upon amplifier drift, while the use of a double differential amplifier complicates the ability to predict the direction of drift due to ambient temperature changes. No temperature compensating devices are used within the power supply.

Because the power supply must provide both positive and negative outputs, a polarity reversing relay  $(K_s)$  is used. The relatively high relay contact resistance requires special relays to maintain an adequately low power supply output impedance. Selection of low contact resistance relays is not sufficient to maintain proper regulation and another relay  $K_{\bullet}$  is used for reversing the sensing leads, enabling tight coupling of the sensing system to the output terminals of the power supply. Contact resistance problems in the precision bridge network are also avoided by use of high-quality relays.

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## SIMPLE LOW-VOLTAGE

Alarm with 0.2-volt threshold consists of three parallel branches: zener diode reference circuit; resistor voltage divider; and transistor differential amplifier with a relay

AMONG the various alarm devices required for telephone and power utility installations is a low-voltage alarm. This device must provide normally open or normally closed contacts for actuating local and remote signaling apparatus, when the system battery voltage drops below normal.

A low-voltage condition could be caused by loss of power to the battery charger, internal failure of the battery charger, overload of the battery charger or cell failure in the battery bank. The alarm device must be reliable and rugged, easy to install and adjust, relatively insensitive to ambient temperature changes and able to withstand reasonable mechanical shock without giving false alarm signals.

Figure 1 is the circuit of the transistor low-voltage alarm. The values shown are for a telephone system battery bank having 23 to 26 lead-acid battery cells in series. Potentiometer  $R_{\bullet}$  adjusts for the number of cells used.

The circuit consists of three branches. Branch ABC is a reference circuit consisting of zener diode  $D_1$  in series with ballast resistor  $R_1$ . Resistor  $R_1$  is chosen so that the current through  $D_1$  is about 10 ma.

$$R_{1} = \frac{E_{\max}}{I_{\text{zenor}}} - \frac{E_{\text{zenor}}}{I_{\text{zenor}}}$$
$$= \frac{56 - 10}{0.010} = 4,600 \text{ ohms.}$$

Branch HJK is a resistor voltage divider. The current through the

divider is chosen to be about 20 ma. Values of  $R_5$ ,  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  are chosen so that the voltage drop across  $R_7$ can be adjusted to be equal to the zener voltage of  $D_1$  over the specific range of  $E_{10}$ . The voltage tolerance of  $D_1$  must also be considered.

$$R_{5} + R_{6} + R_{7} = \frac{E_{in(max)}}{0.02}$$

$$= \frac{56}{0.02} = 2,800 \text{ ohms}$$

$$R_{7} = \frac{E_{zener}}{0.02} = \frac{10}{0.02} = 500 \text{ ohms}$$

$$R_{5} = \frac{E_{in(min)}}{0.02} - R_{7} = \frac{44}{0.02} - 500$$

$$= 1,700 \text{ ohms}$$

 $R_6 = 2,800 - 500 - 1,700 = 600$  ohms

Branch DEFG is a transistor differential amplifier. Transistors  $Q_1$ and  $Q_2$  are mounted on a common heat sink to equalize the case temperatures, thereby reducing the temperature drift of the transistors.

To provide equal load impedance to each transistor,  $R_s$  is made equal to the relay coil resistance. The relay coil is rated for 8 volts d-c and has 250 ohms resistance; therefore  $R_s$  is 250 ohms.

In a differential amplifier, the sum of the currents through the differential arms is constant, and thus the current through  $R_2$  and  $R_4$ is constant. For the proper mode of operation, the transistors must have the common emitter (point F) at or slightly above the base voltage of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ . If sufficient current is provided to insure reliable operation of the relay under minimum voltage 40 ma must be made available under maximum voltage. Resistor  $R_{\star}$  would therefore be 250 ohms, and the voltage from point G to point E would be -20 volts.

$$R_2 = \frac{E_{in(max)} - E_{cy}}{0.04}$$
$$= \frac{56 - 20}{0.04} = 900 \text{ ohms}$$

The base of  $Q_1$  is held at a fixed level by zener diode  $D_1$ , while the base of  $Q_2$  may be set at a desired level by potentiometer  $R_0$ , and will vary with respect to the base of  $Q_1$ as the input voltage  $E_{1n}$  varies.

Assuming the characteristics of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  to be identical, when the base voltages of both transistors are equal, the currents through the transistors are equal. When the base voltage of  $Q_2$  is more negative than that of  $Q_1$ ,  $Q_2$  will conduct while  $Q_1$  will not. When the base of  $Q_2$  is less negative than  $Q_1$ ,  $Q_1$  will conduct and  $Q_2$  will not.

The differential amplifier is inherently high-gain, and therefore a small change in input voltage  $(E_{in})$ produces changes in current through  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ . The unit of Fig. 1 requires only 0.2 volt change in  $E_{in}$  to switch the relay from pull-in to drop-out, and conversely.

Figure 2A is a block diagram of a typical application of the low-voltage alarm in a telephone power installation.

The battery charger is the fullfloat type that normally furnishes the current to the load, and at the

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same time maintains the batteries at a fully-charged state. In a 24cell lead-acid system, the normal float voltage range is  $51.6\pm1$  percent, or 52.12 to 51.08, volts. If power to the charger fails, or if the charger fails, the no-load terminal voltage of the battery is 48 volts. The low-voltage alarm must provide an alarm signal when the battery voltage is less than 51.08 volts. This low-voltage alarm meets the requirement.

Since the device described in Fig. 1 is an on-off device, it can also provide an alarm to signal high-voltage. If the relay must operate when high voltage exists,  $R_s$  and the relay should be interchanged in the circuit.

With the addition of other components, the basic unit has other applications. If it is desired to detect overload in a-c devices, the addition of a current transformer, rectifier and filters, as shown in Fig. 2B, will adapt the high-voltage version. The alarm contacts can interrupt the a-c power if desired.

The voltage alarm can also detect low or high a-c voltage when used with a rectifier and filter as shown in Fig 2C. If a motor-driven variable autotransformer is placed at the input of the Fig. 2C circuit, the contacts of the low-voltage alarm connected to the increase winding of the motor and the contacts of the high-voltage alarm connected to the decrease winding of the motor, the result is a line-voltage regulator.

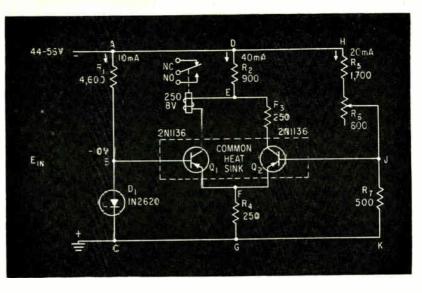


FIG. 1-Low-roltage alarm

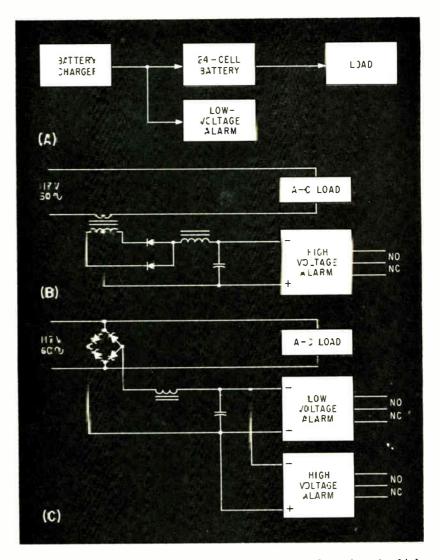


FIG. 2—Typical low-voltage alarm installation (A); adaptation of a highvoltage alarm for a-c (B); and voltage alarm for detecting both high and low a-c (C)

## DESIGN CHARTS For Microwave Antennas

Nomographs for determining gain, beamwidth and estimated space for installation of rectangular horn and parabolic antennas

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DESIGN AND SELECTION of a microwave antenna for a system frequently is predicated upon fitting an antenna of specified gain into a space or volume. With these charts it is possible to determine the type of antenna with the highest gain that can be installed in a given space.

These charts provide information to permit rapid estimate of volume required to satisfy a given gain requirement. Charts are given for two commonly used microwave antennas — parabolic reflector (dish) antennas and rectangular aperture (horn) antennas.

Dimensions and gain of a rectangular horn<sup>1, 2</sup> can be related by

$$Gain = \frac{41253}{\theta \phi} \times \eta \qquad (1)$$

where  $\theta = 88\lambda/b = \text{E-plane 10-}$ db beamwidth,  $\phi = 31 + 79\lambda/a$ = H-plane 10-db beamwidth,  $\eta$  = horn efficiency factor, b = E-plane horn aperture dimen-

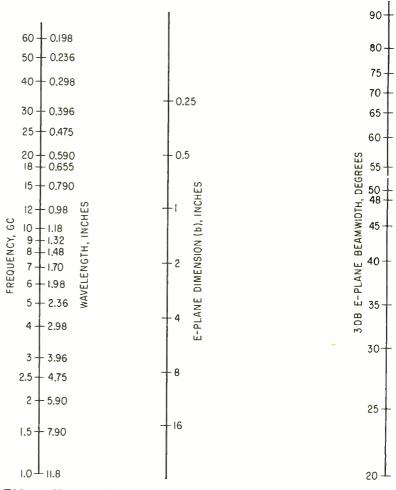
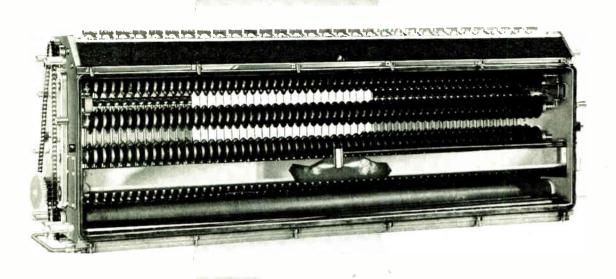


FIG. 1-Chart for finding E-Plane beamwidth

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sion, a = H-plane horn aperture dimension and  $\lambda$  = wavelength. Parameters a, b and  $\lambda$  are in similar units. The dimensions are shown in Fig. 1 and 2.

To use Eq. 1, the 3-db beamwidths are found by multiplying the 10-db beamwidths by (3/ $(10)^{1/2}$ 

$$\theta_H = 48 \lambda/b$$

 $\phi_H = 17 + 43 \ \lambda/a \cong 57(\lambda/a)^{1/2}$  (3) and replacing wavelength with frequency since  $f_{gg} = 11.8/\lambda$ , where  $f_{oc} =$ frequency in Gc and  $\lambda = wavelength$  in inches.

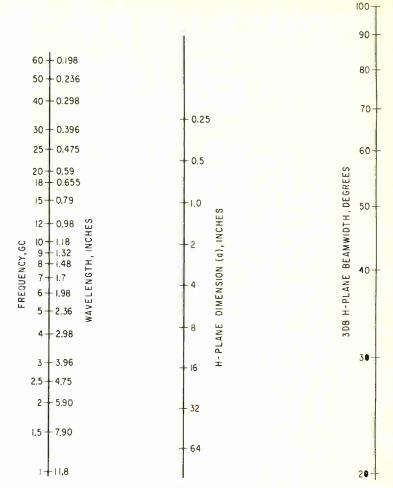
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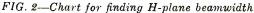
$$Gain = \frac{27,000}{\theta_H \phi_H}$$
(4)

(2)

Equations 2, 3, and 4 are plotted in Fig. 1 through 3.

Assuming that phase deviation across the horn aperture remains less than 1/8 wavelength,

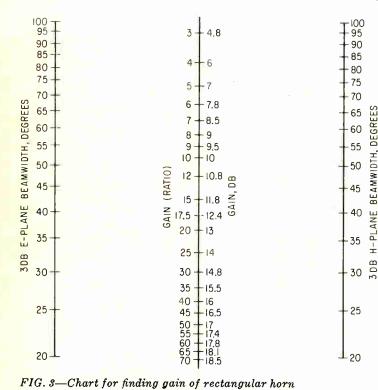




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flare length is given by

 $F = C^2 / \lambda$ () where C = a or b whichever is larger (a, b and  $\lambda$  are as previously defined.) Equation 5 is plotted as Fig. 4.

Dimensions and gain of a parabolic reflector<sup>2</sup> can be related by

$$Gain = \frac{41253}{\theta_d^2} \times \eta \qquad (6)$$

where  $\theta_d = 63\lambda/d = 3$ -db beamwidth, d = reflector (dish) diameter,  $\lambda$  = wavelength, and  $\eta$  = reflector efficiency factor, with d and  $\lambda$  in similar units.

Wavelength is replaced by frequency in the beamwidth equation. And, for an assumed re-

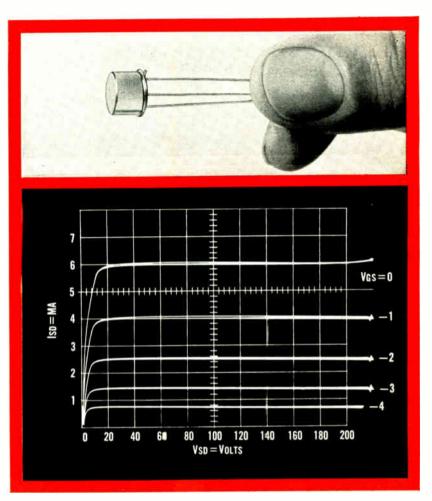
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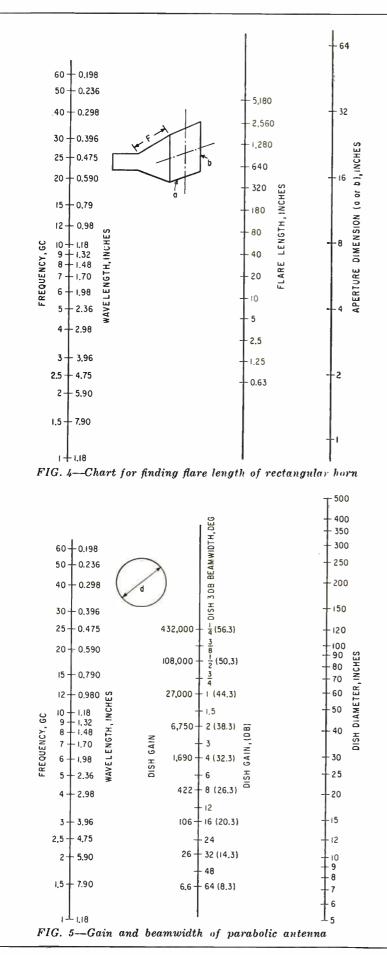
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Gain = 
$$\frac{27,000}{\theta_{y^2}}$$
 (7)

and

$$\theta_d = 745/df_{GC} \tag{8}$$

where  $f_{ac}$  = frequency in Gc and d = reflector diameter, inches.

Equations 7 and 8 are plotted in Fig. 5. Two examples illustrate the use of the charts. First, consider a compound horn with an E-plane aperture of 2 inches and H-plane aperture of 4 inches, designed for use at 9 Gc. Find the gain and estimate the approximate space (volume) required for the installation. From Fig. 1,  $\theta = 35$  deg; from Fig. 2,  $\phi = 32$  deg; from Fig. 3, G =14 db; from Fig. 4,  $F \cong 12$ inches.

Using the aperture dimensions and flare length, the volume is estimated (including allowance for flanges and supporting structure) as about 50 cu in. Multiply aperture area by flare length, then divide by 2, since the horn is essentially a pyramid.

Next, consider a reflector 6 inches in diameter for use at 9 Gc. Again, find the gain and estimate the installation space (volume). From Fig. 5,  $\theta \cong 14$  deg; from Fig. 5, G = 21 db.

For estimating installation space, a focal length to diameter ratio of 0.5 may be used, and allowing for support structures, etc., the volume is estimated as about 90 cu in.

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## Nonlinear Filter Detects Envelope or Backbone

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FILTERING - DETECTION technique could enable recovery of meaningful information from noise-contaminated signals. The active, nonlinear filter could be useful in communications, biological instrumentation, control and other systems. It can be used to extract either the envelope or the backbone of the signal of interest.

The basic principle of the technique, which has been implemented on an analog computer, could readily be incorporated into a final circuit.

Operation of the nonlinear filter in Fig. 1 is based on a sampling and holding unit controlled by an electronic switch. If positive and negative pulses are applied simultaneously to the inputs of amplifiers 1 and 2, respectively, diode switch  $S_1$  closes. Feedback around amplifier 3 results in an output equal to the input and with negligible time lag. When the pulses are removed, the bias voltages of amplifiers 1 and 2 open  $S_1$ , and amplifier 3 stores the value of input voltage at the moment of switching. If polarity of the switching pulses were reversed. S. would close.

If the signal of interest is applied to the common input of amplifiers 3 and 4, properly timed switching pulses would enable amplifier 3 to read the signal during positive values and amplifier 4 during negative values.

Such a filter can be adapted to two operating modes, one involving multiplicative or modulation noise in which the signal envelope is of interest. For envelope detection, the signal must be sampled at its peaks and troughs. Zero crossings of the second derivative of the signal can be used to generate switching pulses at maxima and minima of the raw signal,

The filter can also be adapted to another operating mode involving additive noise in which the signal

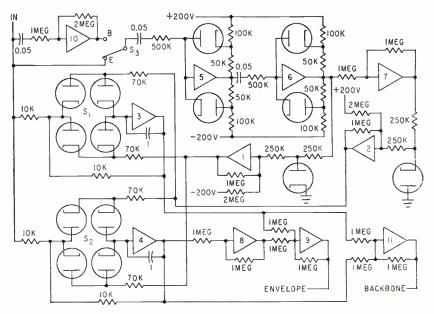


FIG. 1—Time derivatives of raw signal control electronic switches to sample and hold signal values in nonlinear fashion

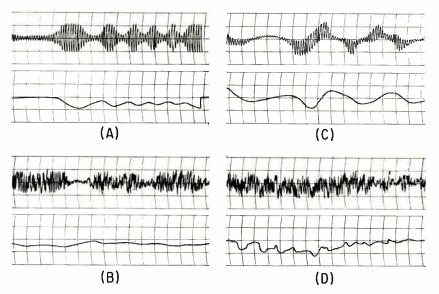


FIG. 2-Detected envelopes are shown of modulated sinusoidal carrier (A) and modulated noise carrier (B), while backbones are shown of modulated and biased sinusoidal carrier (C) and modulated and biased noise carrier (D). Horizontal divisions represent 1 second and vertical divisions represent 50 volts

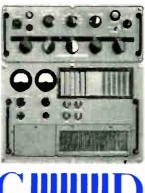
backbone is of interest. For backbone detection, the signal must be sampled at its inflection points. Zero crossings of the third derivative of the signal can be used to generate switching pulses at the inflection points of the raw signal.

Amplifier 5 is connected as a dif-

ferentiator with practically infinite gain and limited output. It produces a positive output pulse when the signal derivative is positive and a negative pulse when the derivative is negative. Amplifier 6 is a similar differentiator that produces corresponding negative and positive



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pulses each time polarity of the derivative changes. Thus switching pulses are provided for envelope sampling. Subtracting the output of the two sample and hold units through amplifiers 8 and 9 yields the filtered signal.

Amplifier 10 functions as another differentiator and is switched in when  $S_{\alpha}$  is at position B. Outputs of the two memory units averaged in amplifier 11 provide the extracted backbone of the signal.

Filter outputs shown in Fig. 2 include the effect of a 0.3-second delay in the switching circuits, which was required for a particular application but is not a feature of the filter.

Envelope detection of an amplitude-modulated carrier is shown in Fig. 2A, while the signal in Fig. 2B is similar to those encountered in electroencephalographs and electromyographs. Backbone detection is shown in Fig. 2C and D.

The author acknowledges the assistance of W. W. Martin.

#### Test Gear Developed for Electron-Beam Recording

SPECIAL TEST EQUIPMENT is expected to speed development of high-performance recording systems. The equipment has been designed to evaluate thermoplastics and other materials for use in proposed electron-beam recording.

The test equipment, developed under contract at Ampex Corp. Applied Research Laboratories, has been delivered to the Reconnaissance Laboratory, Aeronautical Systems Division, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

Electron-beam recording is expected to record electronic information at rates up to 10 times those of presently used recording techniques. An electron beam scanning a thermoplastic material imposes a pattern of electrostatic charges on the surface. Application of heat to the material causes microgroove pictures to be formed.

The test equipment will enable standards to be established on which the continuing development of electron-beam recording systems can be judged.

#### Development Program For Fluid Amplifiers

NINE-MONTH investigation will be made to develop fluid amplifier elements, circuits and subsystems. Work will include the fabrication of digital fluid amplification subsystems such as flip-flops, logical elements and associated circuits.

The contract has been awarded to Corning Glass Works by Diamond Ordnance Fuze Laboratories. The fluid amplification concept uses the interacting flow of fluids (gas or liquid) to perform logical and control functions. Fluid amplifiers



Etching photosensitive glass leaves channels, chambers and ports for carrying and controlling fluid flow in fluid amplifier subsystems

made by the agency are self-contained and have no moving parts.

The contract also calls for fabrication of proportioning amplifiers for flow, pressure and power amplification. The remainder of the project will involve determining dimensional and operational accuracies and the redesign of subsystems where performance indicates that it is necessary.

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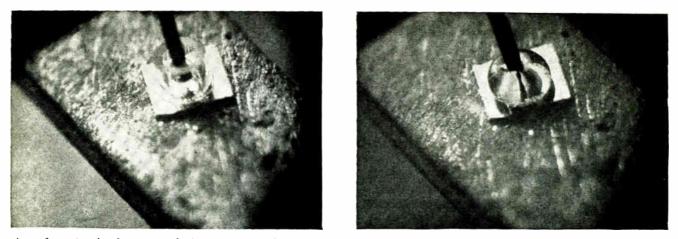
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As a first step in the encapsulation process (left), the outer Nonex glass cylinder is sealed to the silicon, and the (1.011)-in. diam. tungsten wire, prebeaded and pointed, is brought into contact with the diode. Application of heat underneath the silicon (right) causes the outer glass cylinder to melt and seal to the glass bead on the tungsten wire, completing the hermetic seal around the diode

## **Glass-To-Silicon Seals for Components**

#### POINT TO PROTECTIVE FILMS A FEW MILS THICK

#### By B. KUNKEL J. KOSTELEC W. W. GAERTNER CBS Laboratories, Stamford, Conn.

SURFACE PASSIVATION of semiconductor components has made devices considerably more resistant to ambient conditions but has not eliminated the need for hermetic seals. At present the protective package occupies a multiple of the volume of the actual device or the integrated circuit. Furthermore, in devices and functional blocks intended for high-frequency operation, the package usually introduces capacitances comparable to or exceeding those of the device itself.

#### Sealing Process

One possible solution to this problem is a glass-to-silicon sealing process which actually uses the silicon substrate wafer as part of the package and encloses hermetically only the p-n junctions on the active side of the wafer. This idea has been tested at CBS Laboratories by making surface passivated switching diodes (see diagram p 58).

*N*-type silicon is first doped with

phosphor to insure a good ohmic contact at the base of the diode and to lower the series resistance of the device. Then the silicon slice is lapped on one side to appropriate thickness and polished. The silicon is oxidized and 4-mil diam holes are etched into the oxide by photographic techniques, so that the silicon is exposed in these etched areas. P-type dopant is diffused into the small areas, while the rest of the surface is protected by the silicondioxide layer. A special diffusion is also carried out to obtain the fast reverse-recovery times expected from these devices.

The glass-to-silicon sealing process at CBS is as follows:

The silicon dice is placed on a heating ribbon and a glass cylinder, Nonex 7720, whose thermal expansion coefficient matches that of silicon, is positioned around the diffused area of the diode and sealed through the thin silicon dioxide onto the silicon. After cooling, a tungsten point, beaded with Nonex glass, is brought into contact with the diode and heat is applied again, sealing the bead around the tungsten lead to the Nonex cylinder. Thus, the final bond consists of a glass-to-glass seal. It is also possible to perform the glass-to-silicon and glass-to-glass sealing operation in one step.

#### Smaller Packages Secn

The encapsulated diode is approximately 0.04-in. in diameter and about 0.025-in. high. Considerably smaller packages are possible. The volume enclosed by the glass and by the surface-passivated diode may contain an atmosphere of dry gas; or the glass may be a solid mass hermetically-sealed to silicon with no air or gas volume between the enclosure and semiconductor surface.

The sealing technique yields about 80 per cent good diodes by adhering to special precautions of cleanliness that avoids diode contamination.

A satisfactory sealing schedule of 900 deg C for  $\frac{1}{2}$  minute was determined, but longer times could be used if necessary. Temperatures higher than 900 deg C, tend to produce diodes with linkage paths across the junction.

Good encapsulated diodes depend upon the wire metal and type of glass used, Tungsten wire seems

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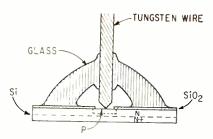
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Cross section of a planar surfacepassivated silicon p-n diode, hermetically encapsulated by a glassto-silicon seal

to be superior to Kovar, and Nonex glass seems superior to number 7052 Kovar sealing glass.

A helium leak detector with a sensitivity of  $10^{-10}$  atmosphere cc/ sec ascertained the hermeticity of the seal. Mechanical strength of the seal was determined by pulling the seal apart and noting whether the silicon adhered to the glass or broke away from it. In a good seal, the point of bonding remains intact and the silicon itself fractures, indicating that the seal was stronger than the silicon.

The point contact to the diode is generally satisfactory, since the surface is highly doped and thus highly conducting. If a further reduction in contact resistance and the resulting increase in forward current are desired, a silicon-platinum eutectic can be formed on the *p* region of the diode, to which a very low resistance pressure or thermocompression bonding contact can be made. The contact to the highly doped *n*-type base of the diode can be made by pressure or by a low-temperature alloy such as silicon-gold eutectic. If proper precautions are taken during sealing. the reverse current characteristics are hardly affected. The  $I_k$  at -10 v is still in the low nano-ampere range and the breakdown voltage is still essentially unaltered, in our case above 40 volts.

Measurements show that if the capacitance of unsealed units is approx. 1.1 pF at v = zero volts, the capacitance of the sealed units is about the same or has increased to not more than 1.25 pF. This is, of course, important in fast switching diodes. Some very low capacitance diodes were measured before and after sealing and found to have an unchanging capacitance during sealing. Any capacitance change is usually associated with

an increase in the reverse current. If the diodes deteriorate, etching usually restores their original characteristics, indicating that contamination is only at the surface.

The glass seal will eventually be made as an enclosure a few mils above the surface. Also an attempt will be made to integrate the glassto-silicon sealing process more closely with the diffusion and alloying processes of the actual device fabrication.

Programs have been started to extend the glass-to-silicon hermetic sealing process to the following structures:

(1). A wire feed through into a semiconductor wafer using glass as an insulator. This will make it possible to use the semiconductor wafers themselves as multilead headers.

(2). A transistor enclosure containing two wire feedthroughs in the glass top.

(3). A structure where a thin layer of glass is wiped onto the hot silicon surface. This is accomplished by heating the silicon touching it with a thin piece of glass and sliding the latter over the surface, leaving a smooth thin layer which hermetically seals the junctions and can be used as a substrate for passive circuit components.

The authors acknowledge the early experimental work on this process and informative discussions with Raymond Heck of CBS Laboratories.

#### Metal Imperfections Found To Occur At Surface

DRAMATIC CHANGES in the strength, plasticity and fatigue life of metals may be produced by removing layers of atoms at the materials' surface.

Irvin R. Kramer, principal scientist at Martin's Space Systems Division finds that the removal of surface layers of atoms results in marked changes in the structural characteristics of metals.

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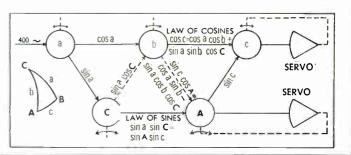
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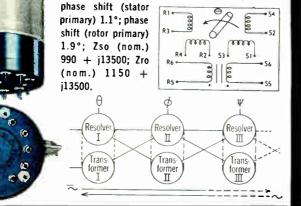
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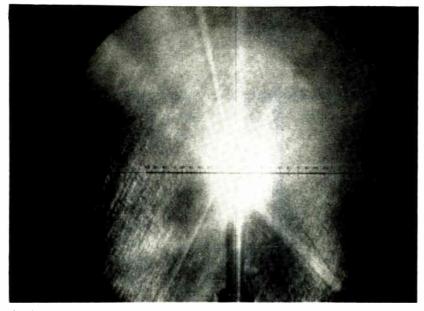
## Electron Beams Weld Ceramics and Metals

#### By TOM MAGUIRE New England Editor

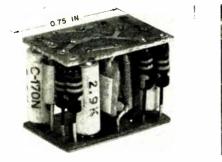
BOSTON—Application of electron beams to the direct fusion welding of ceramics and to microwelding circuit packages presents new construction possibilities for power tubes and microelectronic modules.

At the Fourth Electron Beam Symposium, sponsored by Alloyd Electronics Corp., preliminary work was reported on joining ceramic materials to themselves and to metals. H. A. Hokanson, S. L. Rogers and W. I. Kern of Hamilton Standard said structurally sound, vacuum-tight alumina welds were produced with precise controllability and extreme cleanliness.

The technique may allow fuller use of ceramic materials in power tubes and for microwave windows, and in other areas where high di-



Optical viewing system permits operator to sight down path of electron beam to line it up with spot he wants to weld and to allow observation of the weld as it is made



In end-weld or "rivet" process for cordwood package, component leads are fed through holes in a metallized substrate, with the leads trimmed close to the substrate



In Signal Corps microminiature program, 20 ribbon wires located on 25-mil centers are welded to 10 wafers located on 50-mil centers, forming 800 welds per sq in.

electric strength and high-temperature properties are desirable. Electron beam welding will minimize many of the difficulties associated with brazing ceramics, the symposium was told.

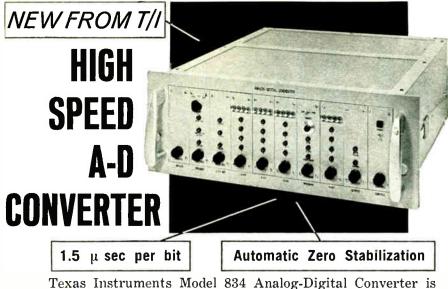
Equipment used was a Hamilton-Zeiss high-power-density electron beam welding machine rated at 3 Kw, with accelerating potentials to 150 Kv negative and beam currents to 20 ma. Beam spot size can be controlled by electromagnetic focusing to a diameter of less than 0.010 in. The optics allow the workpiece to be viewed coaxially with the electron beam, at magnifications of 20 or 30 power, so the exact location of beam impact point and the joint itself are seen, as well as formation of the weld.

For both edge and butt welds of alumina sections, the major factors controlling weld quality are accelerating voltage, beam current, welding speed, preheating temperature, and cooling rate after welding.

Relatively high voltage (90 Kv.), low current (2 ma) beams gave the most satisfactory welds. Low speeds (15 inches per minute or less) produce a glassy structure in 96 percent alumina; flexural tests indicate that glassy structures are relatively weak. Advantage of higher welding speed (30 ipm) appears to result from the decreased time the weld zone is above the 1,800 F preheat temperature. The necessity for preheating and controlled cooling was apparent from early results. Without preheating, welds invariably showed evidence of cracking.

Similar methods were used to produce crack-free welds of 96 percent alumina to tungsten, to molybdenum, and to columbium. Molybdenum feed-throughs have been welded into alumina for electrontube support rods, Leak-tight welds are accomplished by moving the beam around the base of the 0.040in, diameter pins. Optical viewing is used to locate the circular beam directly over the pins.

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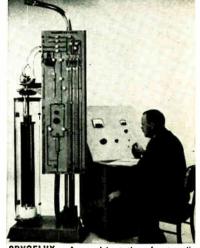
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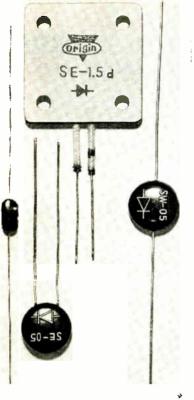
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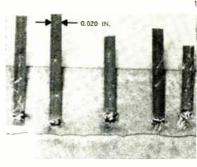


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Gold and Kovar leads welded to 0.0002 in, nickel

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tool for electronic packages. F. R. Schollhammer of Hamilton Standard outlined work on three design approaches: the cordwood concept, micro-element welding or the module concept, and interconnections for thin film and solid circuits.

As a result of the experimental program, Hamilton Standard will soon market a combination microwelding and cutting machine. In addition to using electron beam welding for fabricating electronic packages, it will cut and drill precise miniature patterns in most metals and ceramics.

The cordwood concept involves use of end welding or the "rivet" process. The component leads are fed through holes in a metallized substrate with the leads trimmed close to the substrate. To form the welded joint, the electron beam is impinged axially upon the end of the lead, causing the lead to melt and join to the metallized surface, thus forming a rivet-like cap over the feed-through hole.

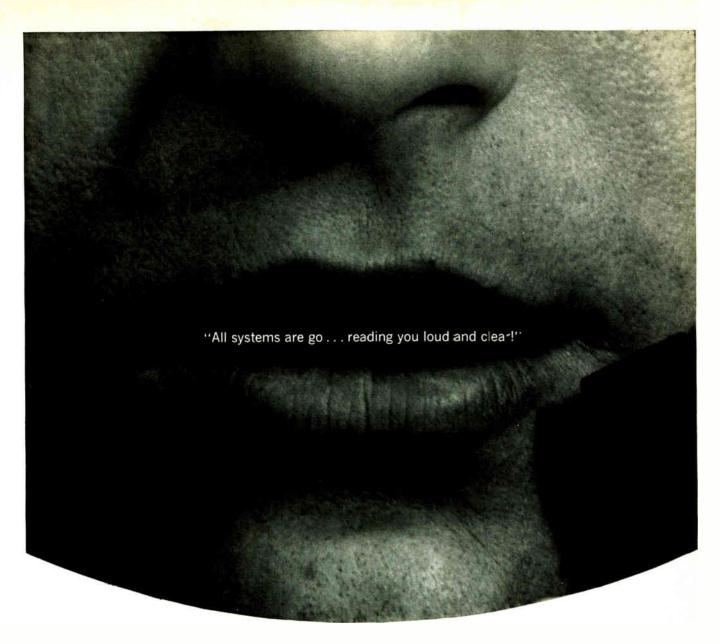
The tier concept represents a variation of the cordwood package. As with the end-weld technique, metallized substrates are used for component termination. The components are arranged so they extend approximately to the substrate rails or supporting strips. The leads are then welded to the rails by deflecting the beam over the ends of the leads.

In a microminiature program sponsored by the Signal Corps, Hamilton Standard experimented with welded electrical connections having a termination density order of magnitude greater than that ob-

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tained with solder joints. Initially,  $2 \times 10$ -mil copper ribbons were welded to metallized ceramic wafers. The program has been extended to welding conductor ribbons to multiple wafers. A termination density of 1,600 welds per square inch is required and this has been accomplished in part by welding 20 ribbon wires, located on 25-mil centers, to 10 wafers (0,03 in. thick) located on 50-mil centers. thus forming an initial termination density of 800 welds per sq. inch. To achieve the 1,600 terminations per sq. in., 0.01-inch thick alumina wafers will be located on 25-mil centers. Copper wire spaced on 25mil centers will then be welded to the metallized wafers to form the required termination density. Prior to completing this phase, interconnections will be completed on all four surfaces of the module cube, producing a total of 800 connections for a wafer module assembly of approximately  $0.6 \times 0.6 \times 0.25$  in. Weld reliability being demonstrated in the Signal Corps contract is a minimum pull strength value of 220 grams in 100.000 welds, and a weld resistance no greater than 1 milliohm in 100,000 welds.

Among typical interconnection welds in the experimental program are: gold and Kovar tabs of 1-mil thickness welded to copper plate electroplated with a gold deposition; Kovar and gold leads of 0.5mil thickness welded to 0.0002 in, of nickel plated on 3.000 A of chromium deposited on quartz; 0.0005-in, gold tabs welded directly to 2,500 A of gold deposited on quartz substrate,



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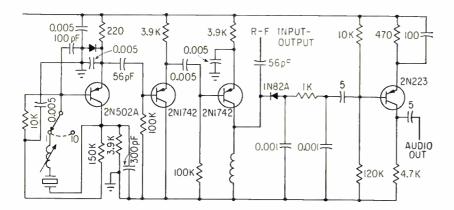
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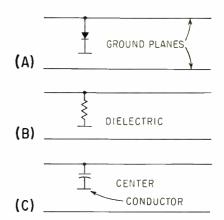
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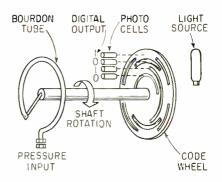
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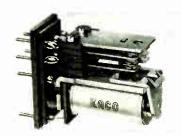
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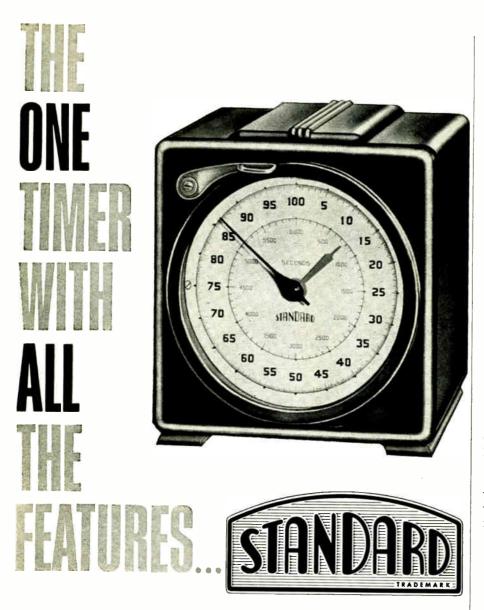
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DIRECTIONAL COUPLERS Microwave Development Laboratories, Inc., 15 Strathmore, Natick, Mass. Catalog covers broad-wall multihole directional couplers. (341)

BEAM POWER PENTODE Amperex Electronic Corp., 230 Duffy Ave., Hicksville, L. I., N. Y., offers a technical booklet on Cavitrap plate tube type 6GB5. (342)

GROUND STATION Epsco, Inc., 275 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge 39, Mass., announces a brochure on its pcm/video quick-look ground station, model PCG6. (343)

RECORDING PAPER Alfax Paper and Engineering Co. Inc., Alden Research Center, Westboro, Mass. Booklet describes type A2 electrosensitive recording paper for commercial facsimile, industrial scientific data recording uses. (344)

PANEL METERS Assembly Products, Inc., Chesterland, O. Highly accurate indicating panel meters are covered in bulletin 30, (345)

DISPLAY STORAGE TUBES International Telephone and Telegraph Corp., 3700 E. Pontiac St., Fort Wayne, Ind. An 8-page brochure defines storage tubes, lists specifications for 12 types. (346)

ENVIRONMENTAL TEST CAPABILITIES Acton Laboratories, Inc., 533 Main St., Acton, Mass. A 6-page folder illustrates and describes facilities of the firm's Environmental Test division. (347)

SERVO MOTORS Kearfott Division, General Precision, Inc., 1150 Mc-Bride Ave., Little Falls, N. J., has published a 16-page condensed catalog of its servo motors. (348)

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TEXAS INSTRUMENTS INC., Dallas, Texas, has established the new position of senior scientist to recognize the achievements and essential role of its outstanding scientists and has selected three members of its technical staff as first appointees.

They are: Dmetro Andrychuk,

Morton E. Jones and King Walters. The position is designed for scientists who, by personal choice or company request, remain in and are particularly successful in work which is primarily technical rather than managerial, the company announced. Appointment is by invitation and based on unanimous judg-

#### Dearborn Begins Plant Expansion



Further expansion of Dearborn Electronic Laboratories, Inc., components manufacturer in Orlando, Fla., will more than double its existing facilities, according to Raymond J. Simpson, president. Construction of the addition has begun and it is anticipated that the firm will occupy the new area (heavy solid white lines in the photo) in August of this year. Full production of the entire new plant will be underway by October. There will be no interruption of operations of the existing facilities

ment by a committee of TI technical management.

Andrychuk heads the physical methods section of the Materials Research Laboratory.

Jones is the technology consultant in the Semiconductor Research Laboratory.

Walters heads magnetic resonance research within the Physics Research Laboratory.

#### General Radio Elects Directors

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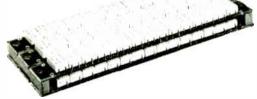
#### Zenith Constructing \$7 Million Plant

ZENITH RADIO CORP., Chicago, Ill., recently broke ground for a new plant to be constructed at a cost of more than \$7 million on a 28-acre tract just south of its main plant.

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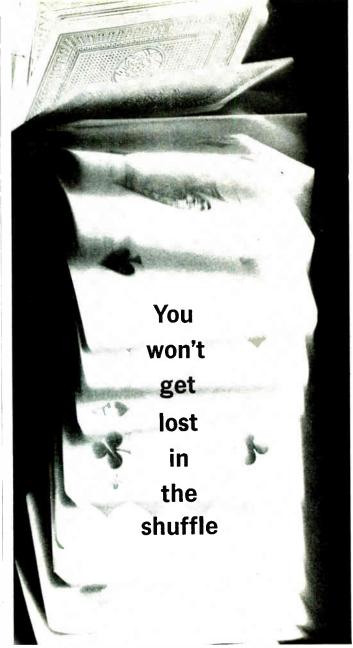


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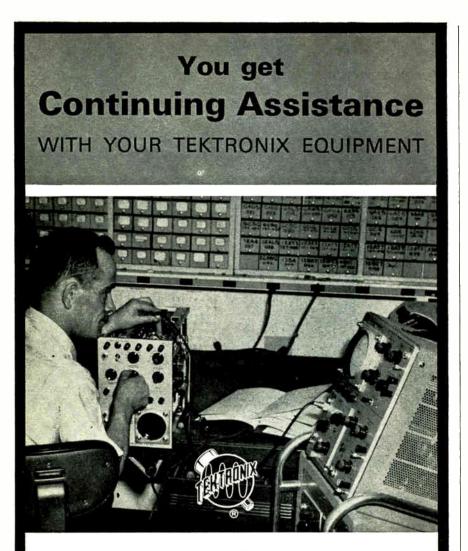


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#### Cook Electric Co. Appoints Nail

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Prior to the acquisition, Nail was chief engineer and later vice president of NRK.



#### UAC's Norden Division Hires Lapidge

SAMUEL C. LAPIDGE has joined United Aircraft Corporation's Norden division, Norwalk, Conn., as senior project engineer-synchros and resolvers. He has been assigned to the division's precision components department.

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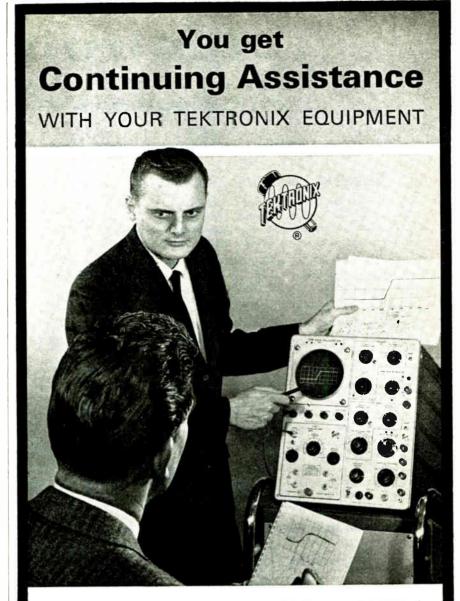
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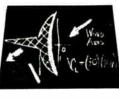
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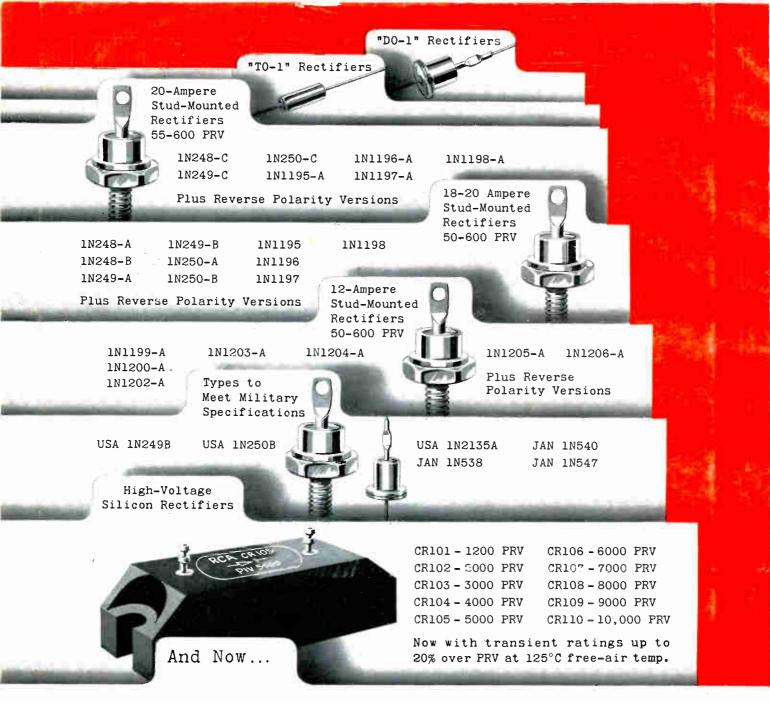
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